# Rhea Palicha | UX Designer

#### Experience

# Catchafire | UX Designer (Volunteer)

JUN 2019 – AUG 2022

Consulted with 8 non-profits to audit current web experiences and provide recommendations based on user needs and business challenges.

Contributed ~\$28.2K in project/non-profit savings

## IBM | Social Media Strategist (Cloud & Infrastructure)

NOV 2016 - SEP 2021, MAR 2023- PRESENT

Designing user-centric social strategies for priority moments across key channels (273K followers) in order to engage our target audiences

# Doremus I UX Designer & Sr. Social Media Strategist

MAR 2022 - OCT 2022

Led the redesign for Autodesk's newly launched landing page, resulting in a 10% increase in demo signups

Researched and developed personas for clients, resulting in engagement strategies based on client objectives.

## Leadership & Projects

#### IBM Service Corp | Team Lead (Volunteer)

AUG 2024 - PRESENT

Leading a team of 15 people, while utilizing Enterprise Design Thinking to develop a prototype of an AI + Marketing curriculum that non-profit organizations can leverage as they execute their own strategies

### My SideKick | UX Designer

JUN 2024- PRESENT Identifying UX issues and proposing design recommendations via wireframing for campus safety app, MySideKick

### IBM UXR Patent Group | Team Lead & UX Designer

MAR 2024 - PRESENT

Leading future tech patent creation on a team of 5 with a focus on how AI can help UX Researchers' pain points through research, ideation, and journey mapping

### IBM Spark Design Festival | UX Designer

SEP 2023

Collaborated with a team of Designers and Researchers to design an Al solution that can detect misinformation at IBM's internal hackathon, and won 3rd place in the IBM Spark Design Festival

### IBM User Insights Hub | UX Designer

JULY 2023 - AUG 2023

Redesigned and prototyped an experience for the IBM User Insights Hub, impacting IBM Researchers, where they could effectively share insights, track impact, and learn from research

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#### Education

University of Texas at San Antonio

Marketing + Finance

Google UX Design Professional

2023

#### Certifications

IBM Practitioner and Co Creator Badge

2023

General Assembly UX

2020

Try Design Lab (UI)

2020

Skills

Figma · User Research · Journey Mapping · Personas · Sketching · Wireframing · Persona Development · Enterprise Design Thinking · Prototyping