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I can help your team innovate I have been around the block and never stop learning

I have been involved in a crazy variety and huge amount of projects during my 15+ years at the most versatile Design Agency in Europe. Both as a UX Director, Digital Product Designer and an Industrial Designer. It means I can draw from experience from many adjacent projects that have made it to market. To cross-pollinate and have creative leaps that produce solutions that have a

Creating the best possible products has driven me from a very young age. I still truly enjoy the

balancing act between creativity and feasibility, innovation and time-to-market, visioning and

execution. Find smart ways to have your cake and eat it too.

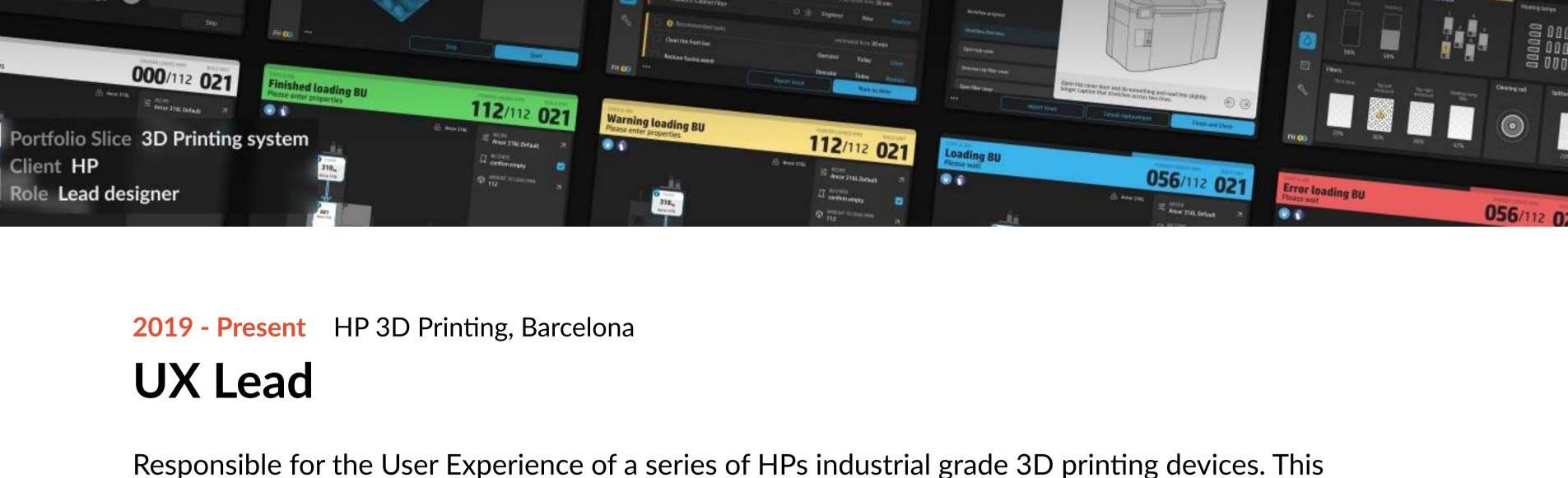
competitive edge. My time at VanBerlo also helped me to consider the role of design in an organization, beyond the project. From landing projects and business strategy to hiring teams and developing a process that is grounded in qualitative research and early prototyping. Over the years I have built up domain knowledge from repeat clients in several industries. Some, but not all, examples are 3D Printing, Mobility, High Tech, Medical, and Food & Beverage.

course in fields where there are no established blueprints. I can make efficient use of limited research

Recently I had the pleasure of a deep dive into Industrial Grade 3D Printing at HP Printing Solutions in the Barcelona area. It taught me to navigate a large organization with many stakeholders. And to ship acceptable solutions while working on great ones. To keep momentum and to put solutions in the hands of the ultimate stakeholder: your client.

Let me know what I can help you with!

Koen van Niekerk



- Resonsible for Direction and Quality of all User Experience within the agency. Including both inward tasks such as recruitment and best practices and outward tasks such as Business Development, Proposition Development and Lecturing.

UX Director

Recruitment

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Portfolio Slice Travel info

Role Project manager

Client GVB

Advice on team composition & recruitment

2017 - 2019 VanBerlo (currently Accenture), Den Haag location

While keeping up hands-on design skills

- Speaker, Lecturer While keeping up hands-on design skills.
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- 2012 2017 VanBerlo (currently Accenture), Den Haag location **UX Team Lead** Recruitment of UX team (8 people) Setting up operational aspects for UX team Training of UX team, Documentation of best practices Planning for UX team Business Development, Quotations & Project Management Brainstorming & Concepting (wireframing)
 - Responsible for Design, Direction and Project Management of a large number of complex, UX-related projects in the domains of High-Tech, Health and Consumer Products. This learned me that a significant part of a design is decided upon at the meeting table, requiring the right Corporate

Interaction Design for various B2B and B2C clients.

Design Detailling (Figma + Adobe Creative Suite)

Brainstorming & Concepting (wireframing)

Interactive Prototyping & User-testing

Presenting results to stakeholders

2010 - 2017 VanBerlo (currently Accenture), both locations

While keeping up hands-on design skills.

Senior Interaction Designer

Navigation skills.

Portfolio Slice Coffee maker

Client Douwe Egberts

Design Lead in several large projects linking the client with the Design Team

Business Development, Quotation writing & Project Management

Role Prototyping

cooperate and assemble a project team for larger projects

Industrial Design for various B2B and B2C clients.

2005 - 2010 VanBerlo, Eindhoven location

Senior industrial Designer

Research Report on Public Transport NPK Design, Leiden **Industrial Design Internship**

Workflow

mapping

Brand Identity

defintion

Graduation Project: User Interface for a Hard Disk Video Recorder

Wireframing

Internal

Prototyping

maps

Sketching, Model Making

Digital

Transformation

workshop

Kick-off

workshop

Initiation >

Process & tools understanding **EDUCATION**

user

observations

FIELDS

Graduated at Philips Electronics, Netherlands

- Public transport (GVB) Medical & High tech (Sapiens, Philips, Phenom World) Energy & IOT (Bosch)
 - User Experience Design & Usability Customer Journey mapping & Design Research **Brainstorming & Concepting**
- **AWARDS**
- Red Dot Design Award Best of the Best

many others

- Multiple IF Design Awards, Deutsche Design Preis
- - Dutch citizen, Proficient in English, Basic in Spanish

- What I consider my specialty is having impact on innovative projects at an early stage. My combination of creative confidence and a systems thinking mindset allows me to confidently set budgets and then converge towards a functioning prototype that can be field-validated in a lean and mean fashion. The fact that my experience spans both the physical and the digital world proves very beneficial in such situations.
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Client Douwe Egberts

Role Lead designer

Front-end

Development

Back-end

Development

Testing

App store

year-over-year

maintenance

< realization

Motion Design

External

Prototyping

Copy

User-testing

specification

Technical

POC

Motion Design

Visual Design

Feasibility

check

Client Sapiens

Role Lead designer

learned me to navigate large organizations and to manage a diverse set of stakeholders and developers. All while aiming to keep all complexity away from the people that operate the devices on a daily basis. Designing workflows (basically customer journeys / flows) Constant re-iterating on very complex stuff to make it dead easy Brainstorming & Concepting on new features Setting up purpose build design system Pixel pushing in Figma Developing best-practices for specification

Business Development, Quotation writing Strategic Direction of UX within VanBerlo Creative Direction for UX in projects Brainstorming & Concepting (white boarding) Presenting results to stakeholders

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- Presenting results to stakeholders
- Business Development, Quotations & Project Management Brainstorming & Concepting (Sketching) Design Detailing (Color, Materials, Finishing) CAD engineering (SolidWorks) Presenting results to stakeholders **2001 - 2005** VanBerlo, Eindhoven location **Industrial Designer** Industrial Design and Project Management for various B2B and B2C clients Neonis, Amsterdam Area 2000 **Industrial Designer** Industrial Design for various B2B and B2C clients.

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Screen UX Design Software architecture Ecosystem Storyboarding interviews scan Prototyping

Customer

Journey

mapping

Industrial Design for various B2B and B2C clients.

- 1992 2000 Delft Technical University, Netherlands Industrial Design Engineering (msc)
- 3D Printing (HP, Additive Industries, Ultimaker (pitch), Huntsman) Domistic Appliances (Philips, Saeco)
- **SKILS** Strategic Design & Design thinking
 - Design Systems Design Execution & Prototyping
- **MISCELLANEOUS**
 - Multiple patent holder I like riding my Gravel bike and listening to indie music...