Mikaela Larsson

Director of design/Senior product designer

I am a design director and senior product designer who combine user and business needs to build scalable and holistic experiences.

Here are some (th)-ings I do: researching, workshopping, collaborating, hypothesizing, sketching, concepting, strategizing, prototyping, testing, asking, talking, designing, tracking, iterating.

My main motivation is to reach that sweet spot where design, tech and business creates the perfect symbios of value. I believe that a happy team is a delivering team and that a great collaborative culture creates the most value for a company and a product. I focus on making our initiatives and priorities customer centric to improve our return of investment.

Work

Director of design - Customer Care area

2022-

H&M Group

Stockholm, Sweden

Strategically & practically leading the Customer Care product area with a focus on our customer service, post-purchase, and store experience, always making sure we have our customers in focus.

Collaborate across competencies and areas throughout our organization to raise design maturity, support business needs, brand plans, tech efficiency & constantly improving our customer journey.

Design lead

2020-2022

TV4 Media

Stockholm, Sweden

Supporting the UX & UI design team working on our streaming services C More and Telia Play (Apps, Mobile, Web, Apple TV & Android TV) + our linear TV service for Telia. Responsible for team culture, user-centered way of working & the design process.

Senior product designer + team lead

2019-2020

H&M Group

Stockholm, Sweden

Working on customer engagement and our loyalty program. Responsible for "My Account" area including order tracking and post-purchase experience, settings, redeeming and displaying rewards, membership info, etc.

Team Development Lead for our Product Design Team. Making sure the design team as a whole was thriving and felt supported, trusted, and heard within the organization.

Skills

Expert

User-centered design principles & methods, workshop facilitation & ideation, team dynamic & team culture, stakeholder management, UX flows & design, user-testing methods (qual & quan), insight creation & hypthesis definition

Advanced

Defining and following UX metrics, agile WoW, inovation & future vision strategy, performance development

Intermediate

Design system creation/ systematic design, UX writing, Accessibility, Brand design

Tools

Figma, Sketch, Microsoft Suite, Miro, UserZoom, Usertesting, Marvel, Adobe After Effects, Adobe Final Cut, Notion, Jira, Confluence.

Work

Product designer/Founding member

2016-2020

Go Jauntly Ltd

London, United Kingdom

A mobile app that helps people discover walks, create their own and share outdoor adventures.

As a founding member I've been a part of the whole journey, from content creation, funding presentation, design system, branding and user research.

Product designer

2016-2019

Furthermore Ltd.

London, United Kingdom

Responsible for everything from defining and creating concepts, service design strategies, UX flows, visual design and handover to developers.

Worked with everything from small start-ups to huge corporations. (inkl. Hall & Partners, Geovation, Heathrow Airport etc.)

Talks & Volunteering

Streaming Tech Sweden

2022

Presentation on:

Users expectations and the future of streaming

IxDA Awards

2020-2021

Volunteering for the Interaction Design Awards co-leading the communication workstream.

UXDX Nordics

2021

Panel discussion:

"The Balance Between Direction and Team Autonomy"

The Evolutionary Exchange Podcast

2021

Topic:

"Creating A Culture To Support A Heathy Work Life Balance"

Education

Art direction & advertising Miami Ad School NYC 2014-2016

Introduction to advertising
Berghs School of Communication
2013

Introduction to writing
Berghs School of Communcation
2013