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PROFILE

I am a passionate creative from Malaysia who enjoys exploring design across different disciplines. I came to the UK because I was attracted by the diverse range of design opportunities offered in the UK. During my placement I gained technical design experience through working for two furniture companies. I hope to expand further in the UK as a graduate furniture designer.

SKILLS

Certified SOLIDWORKS user
Certified Adobe Creative Suite user
Adobe Illustrator
Adobe Photoshop
Adobe InDesign
AutoCAD
KeyShot
SketchUp
Basic 3D Studio Max
Basic V-Ray
Basic Wordpress
Basic Adobe After Effects

LANGUAGES

English
Chinese (Mandarin)
Chinese (Cantonese)
Chinese (Taiwanese)
Malay/ Indonesian

EDUCATION

Nottingham Trent University

Nottingham, United Kingdom
September 2018 - July 2019
BA (Hons) Furniture & Product Design
Graduated with Second Class Honours First Division

First City University College

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
September 2016 - June 2018
BA (Hons) Furniture & Product Design (by NTU)
Achieved a 1st in Years 1 & 2

I studied Years 1 & 2 in First City University College and Final Year in Nottingham Trent University (NTU) through a university partnership programme by NTU. During my studies I was elected to be Course Representative. This involved attending regular meetings with Course Leaders and liaising with them diplomatically and professionally to improve the course for future students.

Practice

- Designed, developed and manufactured a coffee table inspired by traditional Malay crafts which was exhibited in Export Furniture Exhibition (EFE) 2018 through collaboration with KL and Selangor Furniture Association (KSFA).
- Designed a 3-seater sofa to tackle declining greenery in urban living environment for Malaysian International Furniture Fair (MIFF) Furniture Design Competition 2018.
- Other projects include concrete planters, flat pack furniture, walkie-talkie and lunch box.

Theory

- Dissertation explored how social media can increase public engagement with modern art. Research methods included online flash mobs on Facebook and Instagram, and semi-structured interviews with a number of art gallery owners and curators.
- Kept a research blog exploring how interactive design can help children with dyslexia to better learn languages and mathematics.

First City University College

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
March 2015 - May 2016
Foundation in Arts & Design
Achieved High Merits

SMJK Kwang Hua

Klang, Malaysia
2010 - 2014
SPM / 9As

OTHER

Export Furniture Exhibition (EFE)
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
March 2018

Malaysian International Furniture
Fair Furniture Design Competition
(MIFFFDC)
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
November 2017

Malaysian International Jewellery
Festival (MIJF)
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
May 2017

Creative Volunteer, Fo Guang Shan
Jenjarom, Malaysia
January 2016 - February 2016

Event Management, Combine Camp
Klang, Malaysia
October 2014 - December 2014

INTERESTS

PC tech enthusiast
Hobbyist game coding (GML)
Hobbyist 3D Printing
Basketball player
Electric guitarist

REFERENCES

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EXPERIENCE

Studio Seventeen

Nottingham, United Kingdom
Work Placement (Model Design & Model Making)
June 2019

- Custom design an arcade cabinet through Grads4Nottm for the studio to improve interactions between the employees and the clients.
- Won Most Enterprising Award in Grads4Nottm.
- Interviewed by Notts TV for Grads4Nottm event and award.
- Developed arcade design using SketchUp, V-Ray and SOLIDWORKS.

Kesan Tulin Sdn.Bhd.

Klang, Malaysia
Work Placement (CAD Design)
June 2018 - August 2018

- Conducted test runs on Cabinet Vision in preparation for the company's transition from using AutoCAD to Cabinet Vision for technical drawings.
- Developed new living room cabinet series through Cabinet Vision.
- Assisted in reworking renders for catalogue using V-Ray on 3D Studio Max.
- Attended classes on using Cabinet Vision for CAD/CAM.

Versalink Holdings Limited

Klang, Malaysia
Work Placement (CAD Design/ Marketing)
June 2017 - September 2017

- Produced technical drawings using AutoCAD and SOLIDWORKS.
- Assisted in test-assemble and QA testing for custom export orders.
- Conducted copywriting of company events and exhibition.
- Refreshed sales presentation deck using Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator.
- Assisted in designing advertisement banners and billboards.
- Produced digital image assets for company's official portal.

Akemi Uchi

Shah Alam, Malaysia
Retail assistant
August 2016 - September 2016

- Took responsibility for sales of bedroom products
- Engaged with the customers by educating them on the different grades and qualities of the ranges offered.
- Handled cash transactions as a cashier.

SMJK Kwang Hua

Klang, Malaysia
Substitute Teacher (Mathematics and Malay)
June 2016 - August 2016

- Taught Form 1 and Form 2 classes (13 & 14 year olds) using curriculum guides provided by the school.
- Conducted additional tuition for students who require extra help in their studies outside of school hours.
- Assisted in coordination of Science class for scientific experiments.
- Grading monthly examination sheets on Mathematics and Malay.