# **PAUL MIROCHA**

User Experience (UX) Designer Graphic Designer

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#### **SUMMARY**

A VERSATILE UX DESIGNER with decades of experience and strong visual skills in graphic design, web, and illustration. Long experience working with science communication. A Masters degree in User Experience (UX) Design brings a passion for user research, usability, and information structure. Experience designing web search interface. Creative and inventive with a good eye for design; a self-motivated, constant learner and good communicator. Work well with creative teams.

#### **SKILLS**

- Adobe CC: Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, etc.
- Balsamig, Sketch, Figma, Omnigraffle, etc
- Digital and traditional illustration
- Drawing ideas, sketching story boards
- Photography & image editing
- UX design and user research
- Web design, Wordpress, site audits
- · Writing, blogging, and presentations

#### **WORK HISTORY**

**Multimedia Specialist 3 / UX/UI Designer,** *University of Arizona, Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy* **2019** - present

- User Experience (UX) research and usability testing, User Interface (UI) design, Website design
- Working for NEPAccess.org, a search and research platform for National Environmental Policy Act documents.
- Infographics and graphic design

## **Designer/Illustrator,** Paul Mirocha Design 1991 - current

- · Create super-realistic digital illustrations for publishing, science, and commercial packaging
- Design branded brochures, booklets, magazines, posters, books; manage digital & offset printing
- · UX design, web design, user research, site audits, SEO, visual design

Artist In Residence, University Of Arizona, College Of Science, Tucson, AZ 2011 - 2022

- The Historic Desert Laboratory on Tumamoc Hill, Designated Campus Colleague.
- Carried out creative photography projects documenting historical research preserve
- Developed a collaborative art/science program; exhibits & articles; taught a field-drawing course.
- Awarded Arizona Commission on the Arts grant, 2015

**UX/UI Designer,** The Science Of Baseball/Educational Training & Research 12/2016 - 03/2017 UX and UI designer, creating UI for a STEM math gaming app for middle school user testing

Senior Graphic Designer, University Of Arizona, Office Of Arid Lands Studies 1980 - 1991

- Supervised in-house designers and contractors, managed budgets, deadlines, and quotes from vendors.
- Designed and produced a wide variety of graphic design deliverables with a focus on science research.

### **EDUCATION**

**Kent State University** - School Of Information - Kent, Ohio, Master of Science in UX Design, 2017

- User experience design
- User research
- · Usability testing

- · Information architecture
- Interaction design
- Content strategy

Pima Community College - Tucson, Web Design/Interaction Design, 2015

**University Of Minnesota** - *Minneapolis, Bachelor of Arts: Fine Art With Minor In Biology,* 1977 Senior honors thesis: solo art exhibition, *Studies of Natural Form* 

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Interaction Design Foundation (IDF), Member, 2018 - current The Human Centered Design Course, IDEO.org, Certification, 2019