# Lena Shichijo | UX Designer

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UX Designer with a track record of delivering company-wide impact, demonstrated through a decade of management experience in hospitality and agriculture. Thoughtful communicator skilled in interacting with users, identifying pain points, and collaborating effectively.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Triple Wave Design | UX Designer, Co-Founder | Remote

Jan 2024-Present

Collaborating with 2 UX designers, currently prototyping a client's mobile app which includes optimizing their existing
wireframes, refining user flows, designing additional screens in the established style, and usability testing

R360 | UX Intern | Remote May 2023

- Conducted 3 research sprints to analyze web traffic metrics and identify data insights most relevant to R360's department heads, managing partners, and C-level executives
- Presented research findings to the COO, CMO, and a managing partner which resulted in use of local engagement metrics to test new markets for membership
- Gained foundational knowledge of Heap and Google Analytics 4 to track quantitative data for R360's public facing website and establish recurring reports submitted to managing partners

#### Eat Unbound | UX Research Lead | Remote

Apr 2023

- Led research to design a restaurant-facing web application for a startup that caters to dietary restrictions
- Collaborated with UX Lead to conduct 7 interviews, revealing the target audience preferred desktop platforms over mobile
- Moderated 3 usability tests, aligned prototype with user feedback, and presented design iterations to Founder CEO

JBG Organic | Austin, TX May 2014–July 2021

- Wholesale Packing Manager May 2015—July 2021 | Packing Crew Member May 2014—May 2015
- Initiated sales and shortage reports to proactively communicate harvest trends to customers and sales managers
- Established system for tracking sales patterns to anticipate inventory needs and schedule required labor

### Sprinkles Cupcakes | New York, NY

July 2009-Nov 2013

- General Manager Mar 2012–Nov 2013 | Asst. Manager 2011–2012 | Supervisor 2010–2011 | Associate 2009–2010
- Initiated concepts adapted company wide, such as enhancing outreach by coordinating marketing drops with existing deliveries and providing instruction cards to prevent damage for fragile orders

### **CONCEPT PROJECTS**

## Food Not Bombs | UX Designer | Remote

Dec 2023

 Collaborated in a cross-functional hackathon team of 3 software engineers and 4 UX designers to redesign the Food Not Bombs website and achieved a 60% increase in ease of use and 31% increase in direct success with usability testing tasks

### Kinder Haus Toys | UX Designer | Remote

Nov 2023

 Created a high-fidelity Figma prototype of a website redesign using variables, conditions, and expressions to automatically calculate and update shopping cart totals

#### **SKILLS**

**UX/UI Skills:** User Interviews, User Research Synthesis, Adaptability, Critical Thinking, Competitive & Comparative Analysis, Design Research, Rapid Prototyping, Sketching, Wireframing, Stakeholder Presentations, Basics of HTML/CSS, Web Analytics, Affinity Mapping, Card Sorting, Storyboarding, Customer Journey Maps, Personas, User Flows

**Tools:** Figma, Adobe Creative Cloud, Heap, Google Analytics 4, Squarespace, Balsamiq, Optimal Workshop, Miro, Canva, Google Applications, Asana, Trello, Notion

### **EDUCATION**

Wesleyan University | Bachelor of Arts with honors, Graphic Design | Middletown, CT General Assembly | User Experience Design Immersive | Remote

Sept 2005-May 2009 Jan 2023-Apr 2023