Product Designer / Director

Profile



An award-winning expert in <u>user</u> centered design and <u>product ownership</u>.

With over <u>15 years design and</u> product experience, I deliver tangible value to established businesses and startups.

Dynamic, multi-faceted and collaborative environments are where I thrive, quickly establishing trusted and productive relationships with stakeholders and team members alike.

My unwavering commitment to excellence in design, passion for innovation, and fluency working in high intensity cross-disciplinary teams in a leadership position, enables me to **realise exceptional results** time and time again.

Emile's ability to distill complex information into meaningful context is truly impressive. He is an invaluable asset, seeing the bigger picture at all times, asking difficult questions and finding the critical design answers in a way that few others do.

As founder of the iOS Apps Pennies and Magpie, I bring award-winning insight in product design and ownership.























Fluent

Web3 Finance Platform

HEAD OF PRODUCT DESIGN

Fluent Project Details

ROLE

Product Ownership
Project Management
UX/UI
Service Design
Creative Direction

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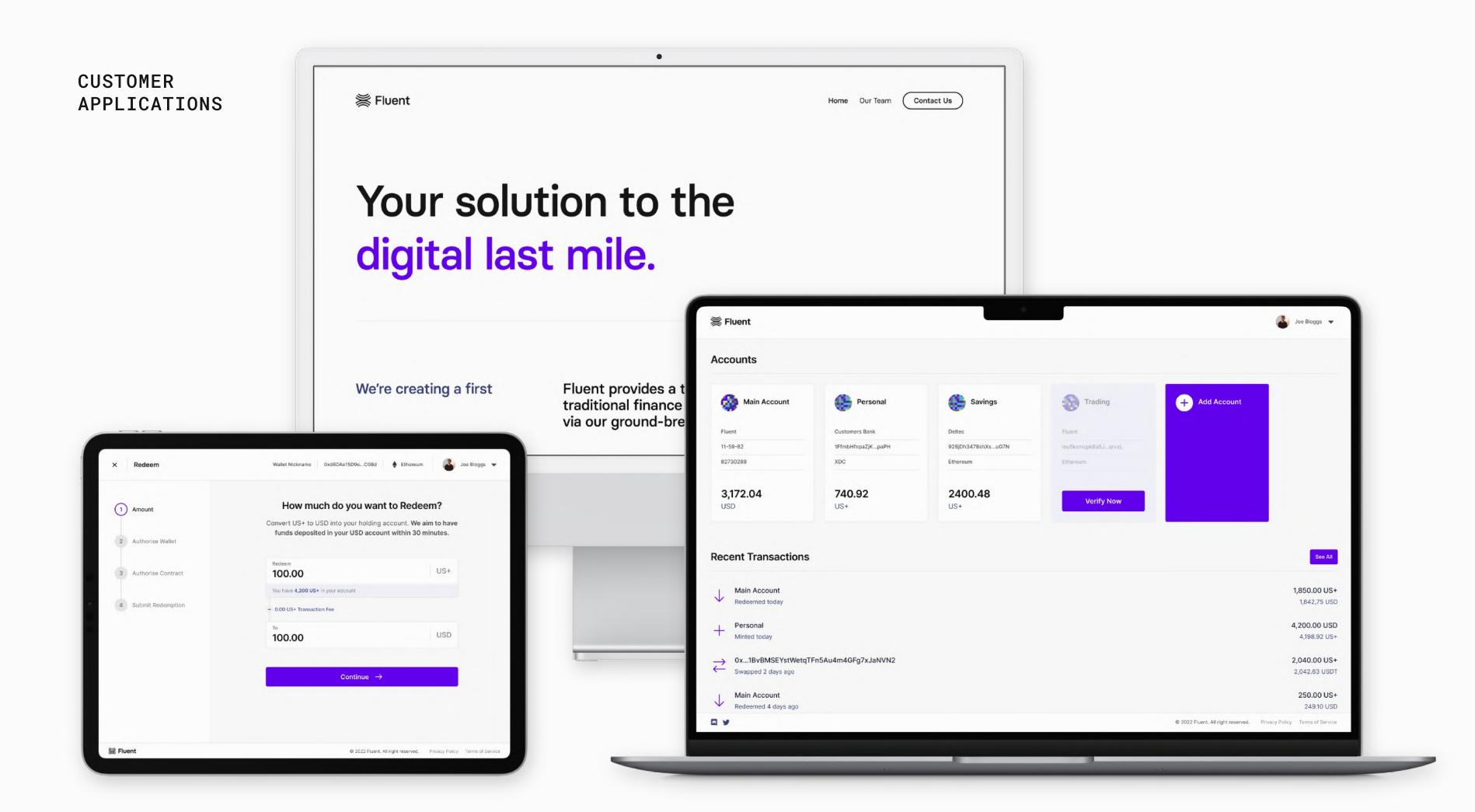
fluent.finance

OVERVIEW

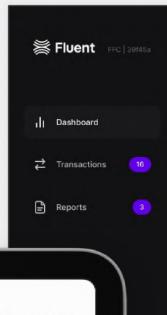
Fluent is a groundbreaking stablecoin protocol that provides a two-way bridge between traditional finance and distributed ledgers via enterprise-level blockchain technology.

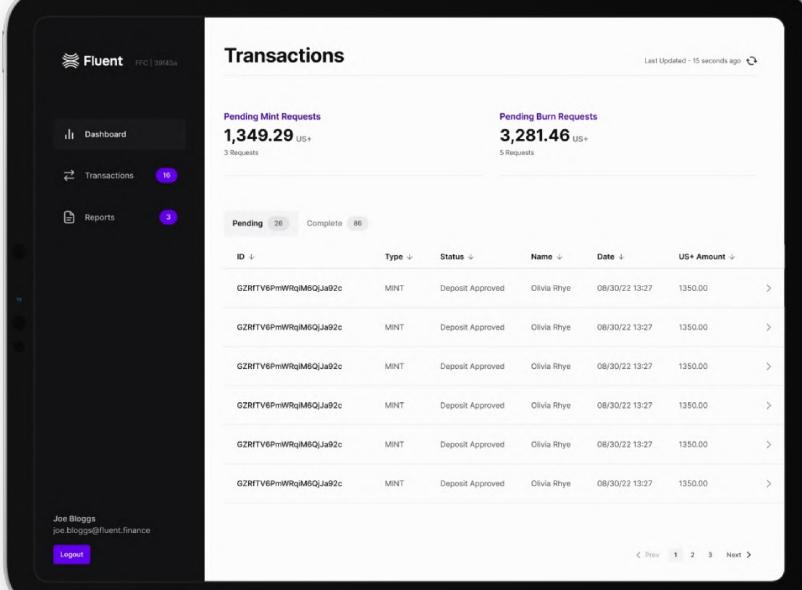
As Head of Product Design at Fluent, I led a multi-functional role involving product ownership, team leadership, UX/UI design, service design, and creative direction.

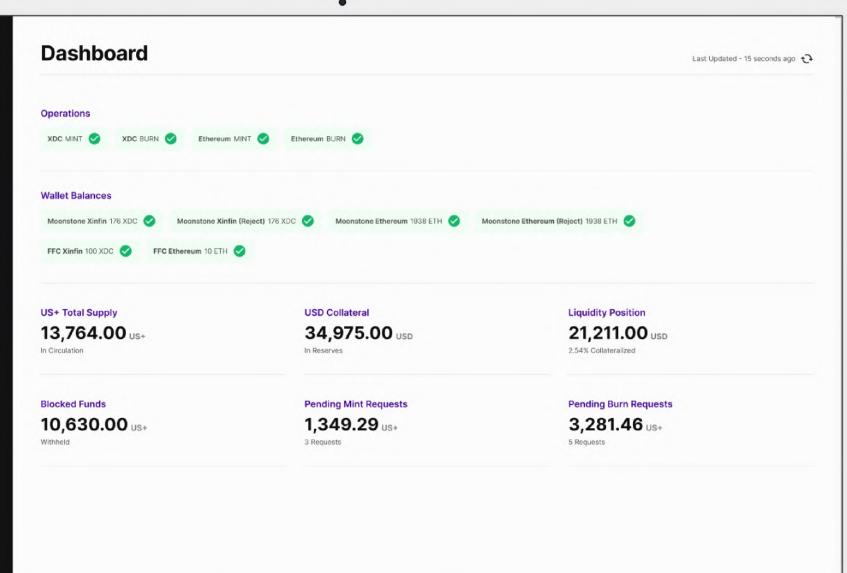
A highly design technical role with many regulatory and compliance factors to account for, I architected and designed all customer and admin applications, from scoping documents all the way to hi-def designs, delivery and frontend team management. I also worked closely with the C-Suite on strategic and operational levels to drive innovation and product alignment.



ADMIN DASHBOARDS







Penies

Expense Tracking App

Pennies Project Details

ROLE

Ideation
App Design
iOS Development
Marketing
Customer Support

LINK

getpennies.com

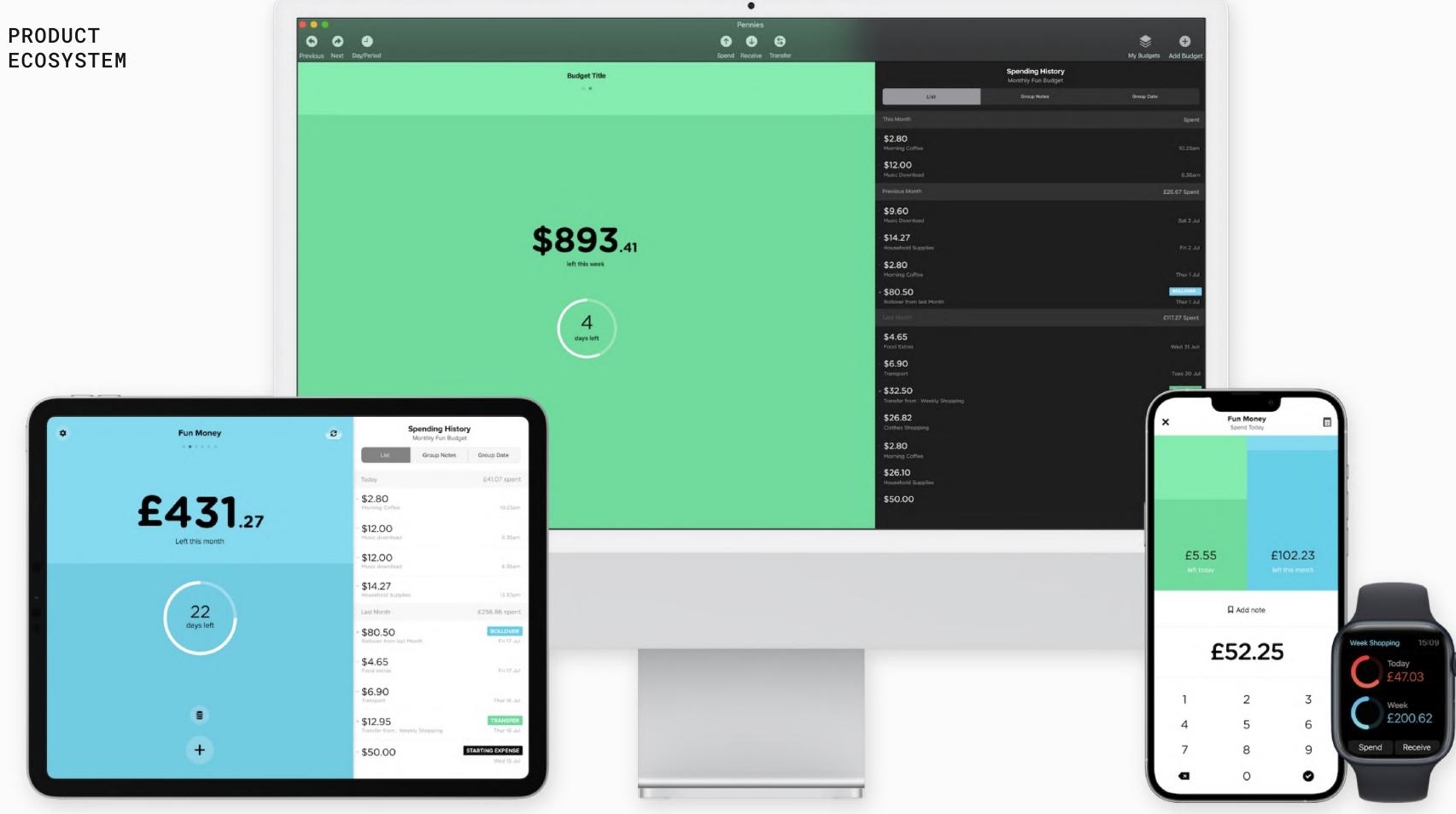
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I Founded Pennies in 2014 with a focus on simplicity, speed, and providing a financially beneficial experience. Launched on iPhone, it has expanded to Watch, iPad, and Mac in 18 languages.

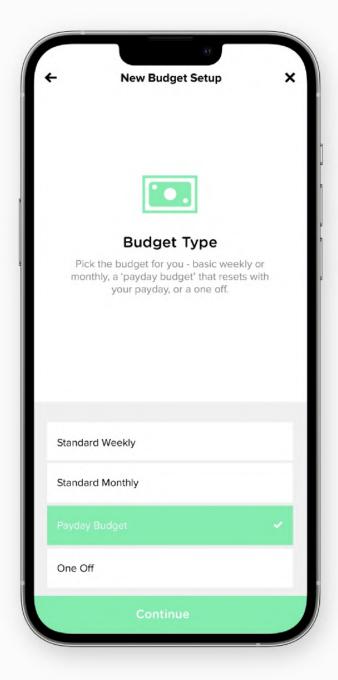
Pennies has generated over 2 million downloads, received multiple awards from Apple including 'Editors Choice' in multiple countries, and featured in top tech press. I managed all aspects of production, including UX, design, development, marketing, and customer support.

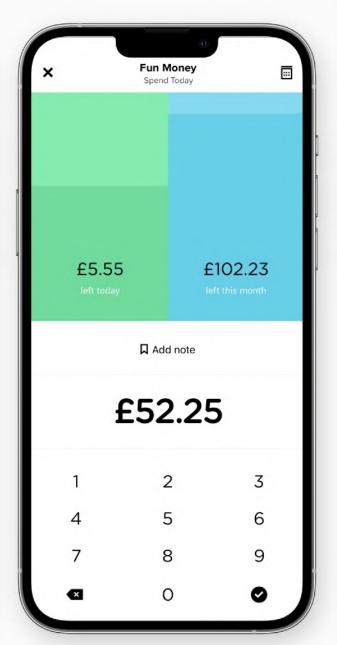
Over years of evolution, Pennies has maintained a minimalistic design while offering powerful functionality for budget creation, management, and synchronization. It continues to provide an intuitive, fast, and fun experience for users, setting it apart from competitors.

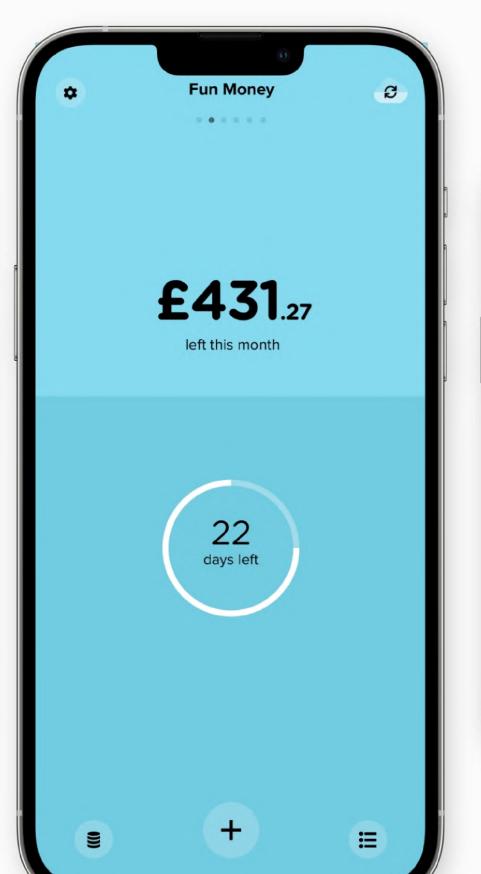
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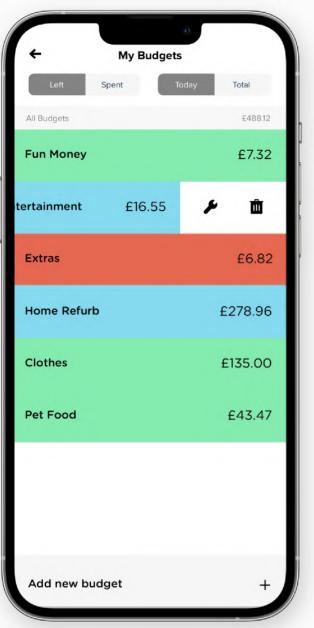


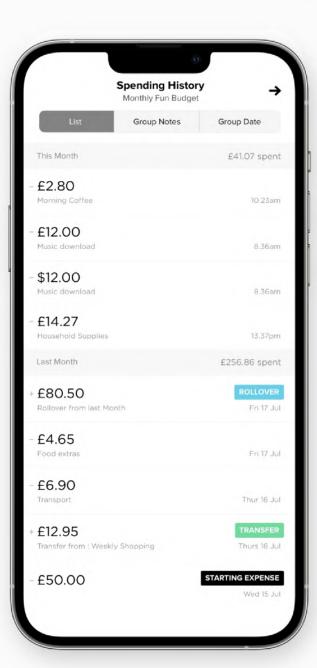
PRIMARY APP SCREENS











Hybrid Art Space

LEAD PRODUCT DESIGNER

GBA Project Details

ROLE

Founder Mentoring
UX/UI
Service Design
Web Design
Shopify

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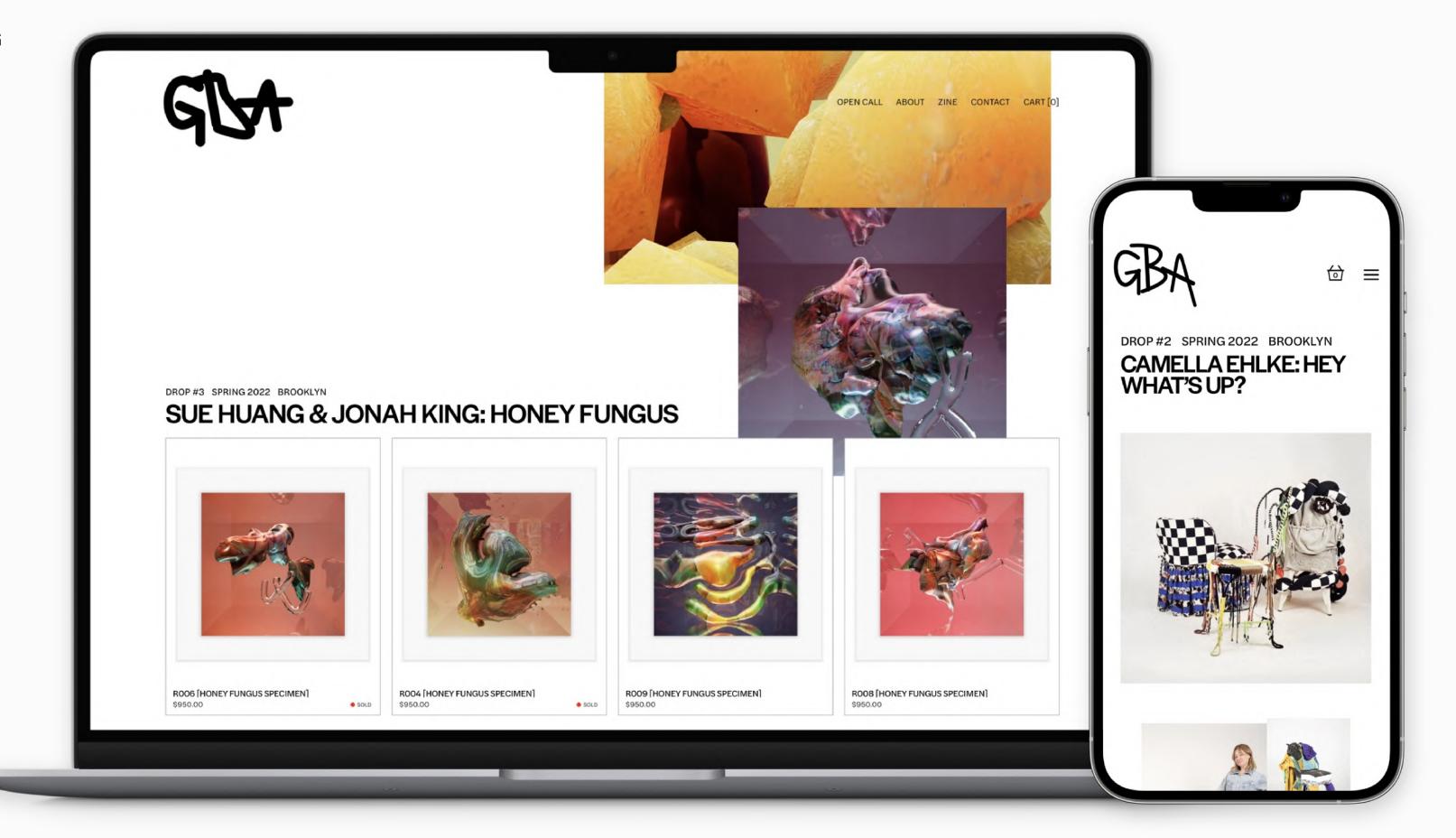
<u>gba.family</u>

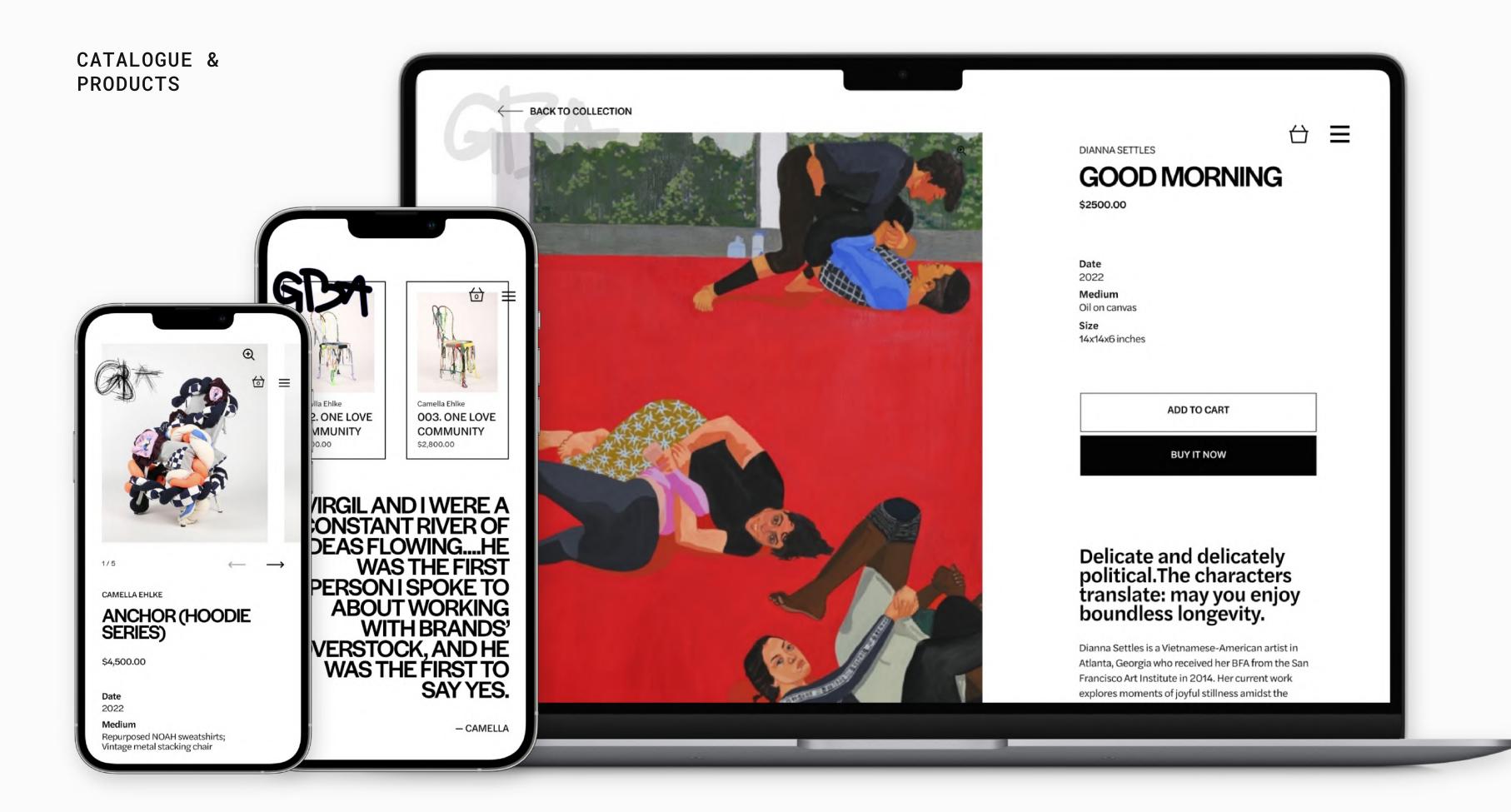
OVERVIEW

GBA - a hybrid art space building an inclusive space for culture, commerce, and artists.

I joined as their UX, UI, and Product Design consultant during their founding months to design their e-commerce site and define the selling infrastructure, conducting workshops with the founders to define their vision, business models, and user journeys. I designed the and built website with a blend of traditional e-commerce UX combined with inspiration from editorial gallery posters and design magazines.

The GBA website launched in April 2022 with extensive press coverage in Architectural Digest, Hypebeast, It's Nice That and Fast Company.





Sparkjar

Realtime Teaching Platform

LEAD PRODUCT DESIGNER

Sparkjar Project Details

ROLE

UX/UI Service Design Founder Mentoring

LINK

sparkjarapp.com

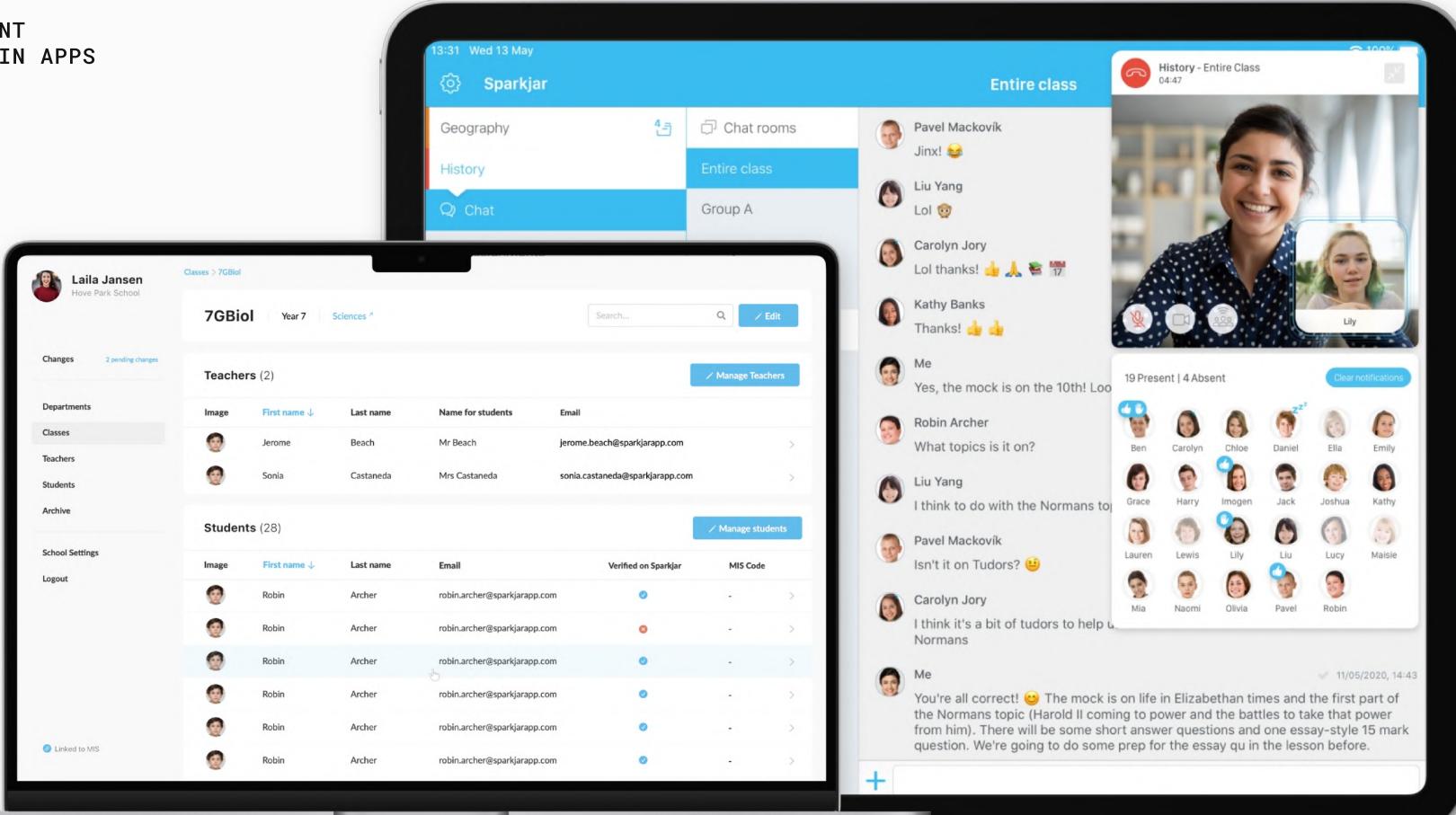
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I worked with Sparkjar as Lead Product Designer over a 5-year retainer period to create a modern iPad and web based workspace for teachers, parents and students, reducing tasks and delivering an outstanding learning experience.

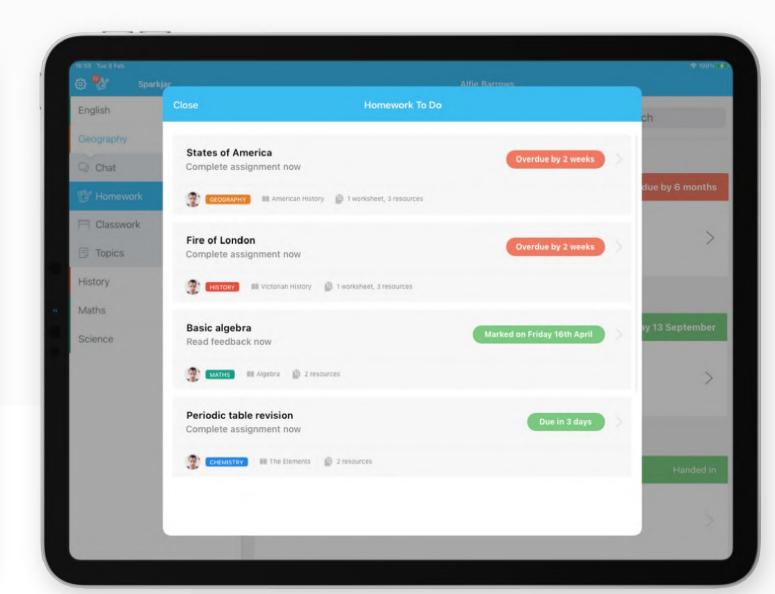
As lead designer, I collaborated with marketing teams to conduct ongoing user research, building accurate personas and implementing analytics for data-driven design decisions. I also worked with the technical team to address the UI challenges of a complex backend system.

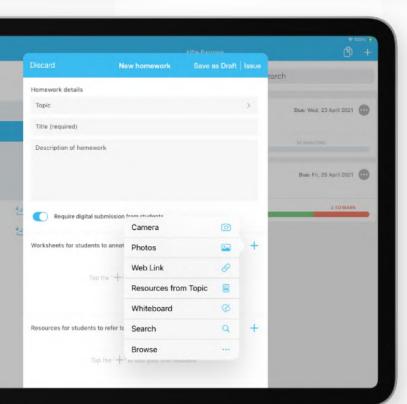
I am proud to have contributed to making a positive impact in education by creating an innovative teaching platform that promotes creativity and learning.

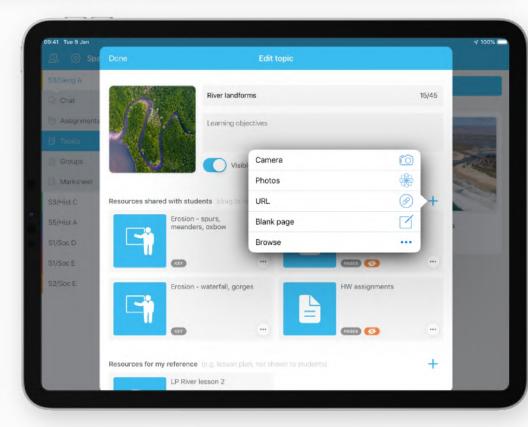
STUDENT & ADMIN APPS

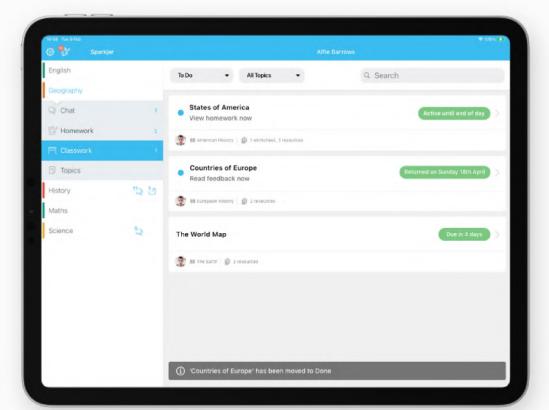


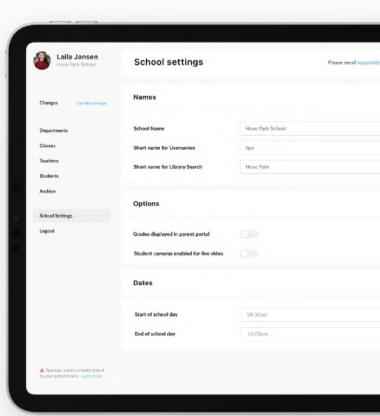


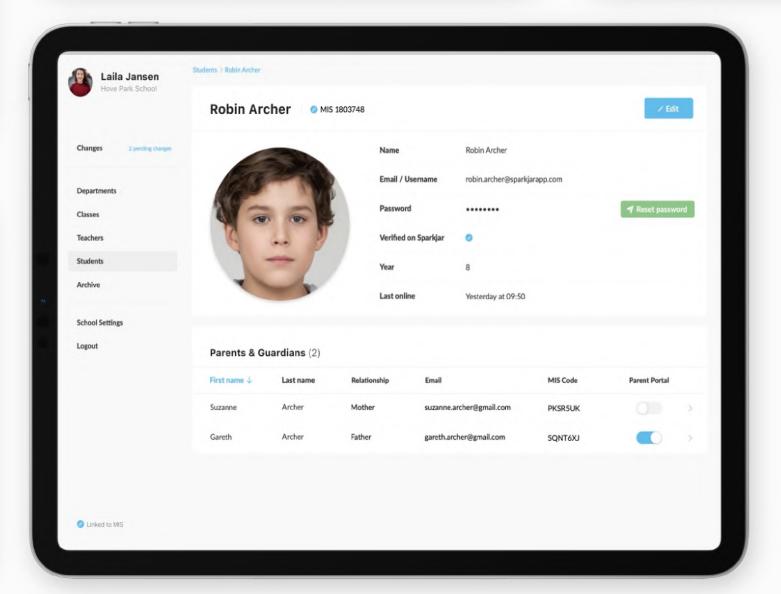


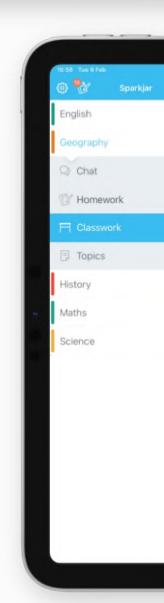












Magpie

Visual Bookmarking App

Magpie Project Details

ROLE

Ideation
App Design
iOS Development
Marketing
Customer Support

LINK

getmagpie.app

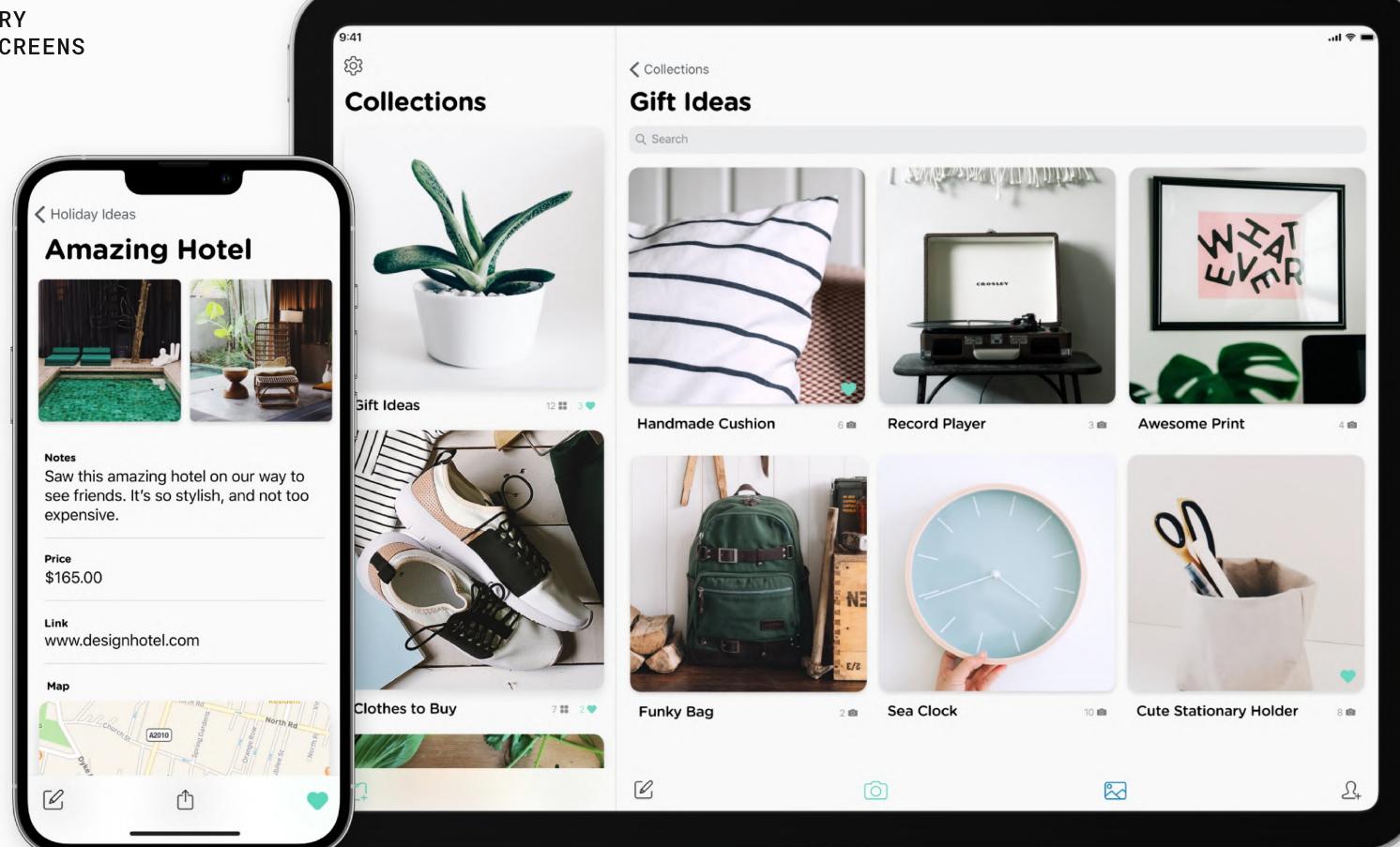
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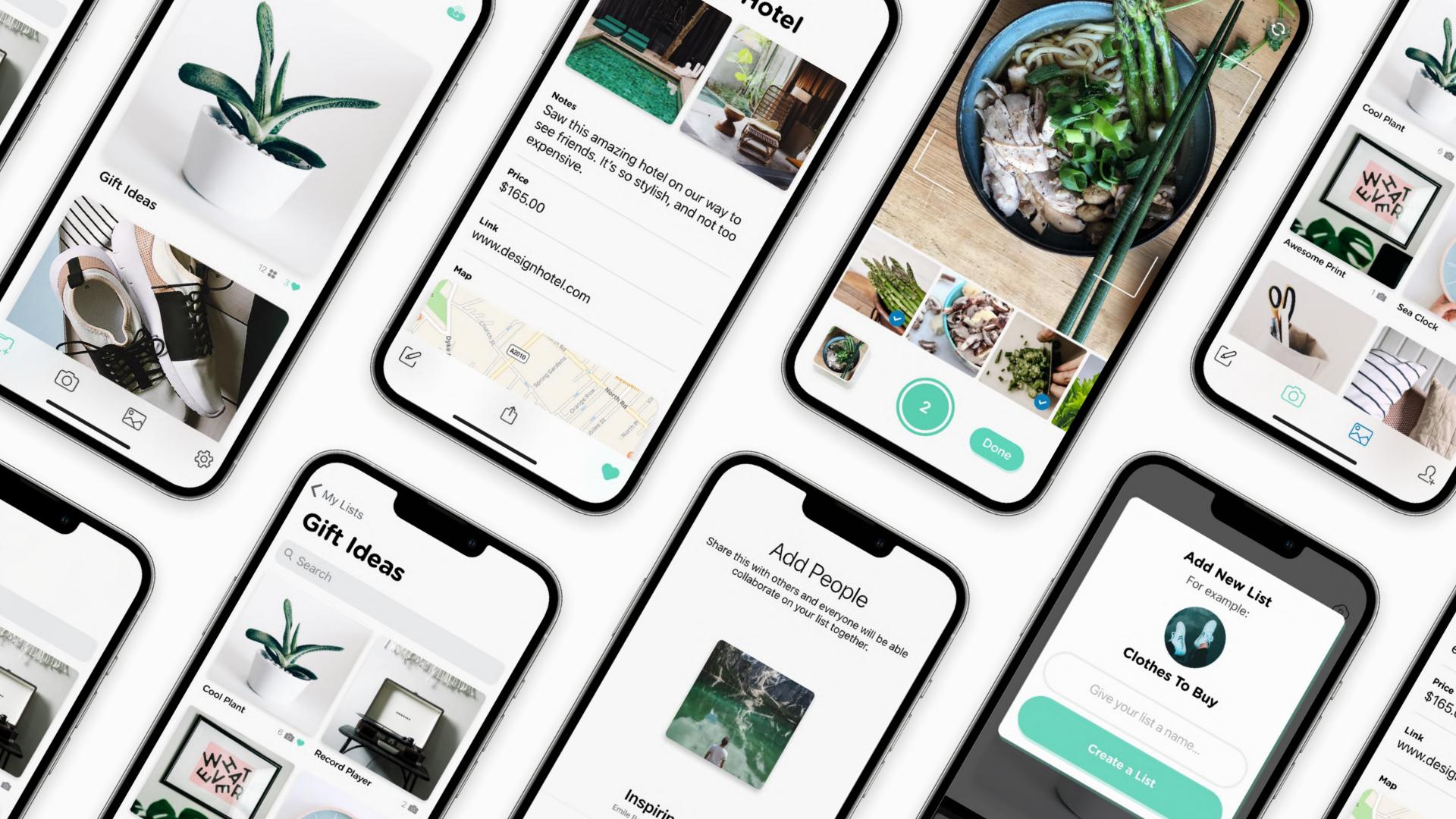
I designed and developed Magpie to solve the simple problem of forgotten 'reminder' photos buried in your photo library.

By conducting customer interviews to understand preferences for bookmarking, Magpie combines photos with notes, links, and location into visual bookmarks in searchable, shareable lists that delight users. I also developed an innovative purchase flow based on user feedback, offering a no-commitment free trial for lifetime-paid app and subscription versions, achieving a 30% increase in app revenue through A/B testing of purchase models, language, and content.

Magpie launched in early 2020 with Apple awards, global features and press coverage.

PRIMARY APP SCREENS





Emile is a rare talent, possessing both exceptional technical and aesthetic design skills combined with an acute business sense that sets him apart from the rest. His contributions were invaluable to the success of our product - we're fortunate to have had him on our team.

James Carrol Founder Sparkjar

Core Skills

My extensive skillset bridges research, UX, design, strategy, project management and product ownership.

This enables me to integrate seamlessly with the teams I work with, delivering effective solutions that hold up in real world use.

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Figma

Adobe AfterEffects

Principle

Zeplin

VS Code

XCode

HTML/CSS/JavaScript

Github

Jira & Confluence

MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH

Product Ownership

Team Leadership

Creative Direction

Information Architecture

User Personas and Flows

Customer Journeys

Product Brainstorming

Data Analysis

DESIGN & IMPLEMENTATION

UX Flows

Wireframing

UI Design

Product Roadmap

Service Design

Prototyping

Build Specifications

A/B Testing

Client list

Over the years I have had the honour to work with some amazing clients, from lean startups to global brands and everything in between.

I've consistently helped my clients to build world class products that change their customers and users lives for the better.

Airside Arts Council UK Barclays BBC

BMW

Apple

Channel4

EU Networks

Dunhill

Fluent Finance
Future Deluxe
Jamie Oliver

Jamie Oliver John Lewis Jonny Walker National Theatre

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Polar RSA Skoda Sony

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