



To create a beverage company and design packaging for three drinks: two standard editions, and one limited edition.

Solution:

I went with an Edgar Allan Poe theme for a wine company. Each wine is named after one of his short stories or poems. This design is focused on typography, with each label utilizing typefaces that fit the theme for each story. Additionally, each bottle has its short story used as a texture on the label.

For a finishing touch, each bottle comes with a charm designed to correspond with the bottle's story or poem.









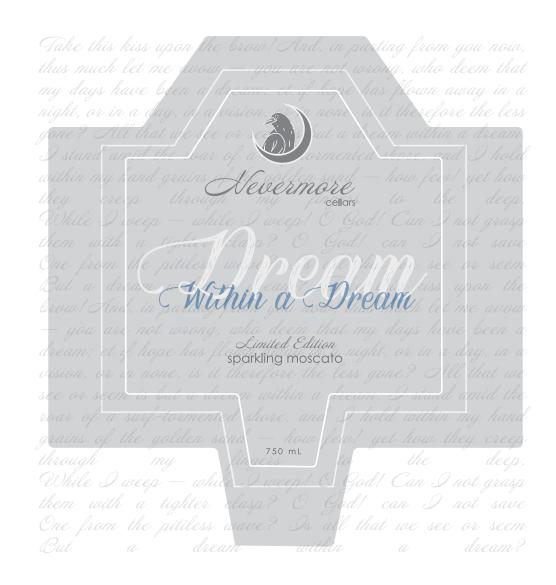












Take this kiss upon the brow! And, in parting from you now, thus much let me avow — you are not wrong, who deem that



through my fingers to the deep, While I weep — while I weep! O God! Can I not grasp them with a tighter clasp? O God! can I not save

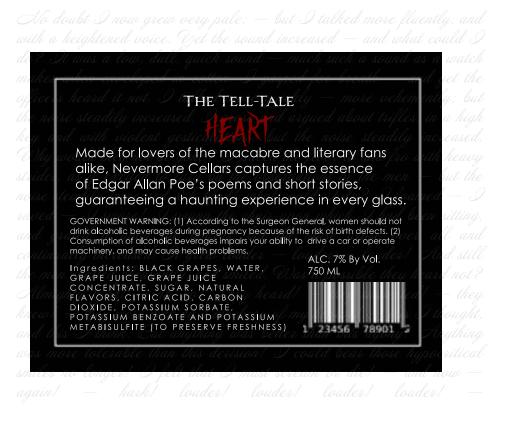


It was many and many a year ago, in a kingdom by the sea, that a maiden there lived whom you may know by the name of Annabel Lee; and this maiden she lived with no other thought than to love and be loved by me. I was a child and she was a child, in this kingdom by the sea, But we loved with a love that was more than love— I and my Annabel Lee— with a



darling—my darling—my life and my bride, in her sepulchre there by the sea— in her tomb by the sounding sea.





"Villains!" I shrieked, "dissemble no more! I admit the deed! — tear

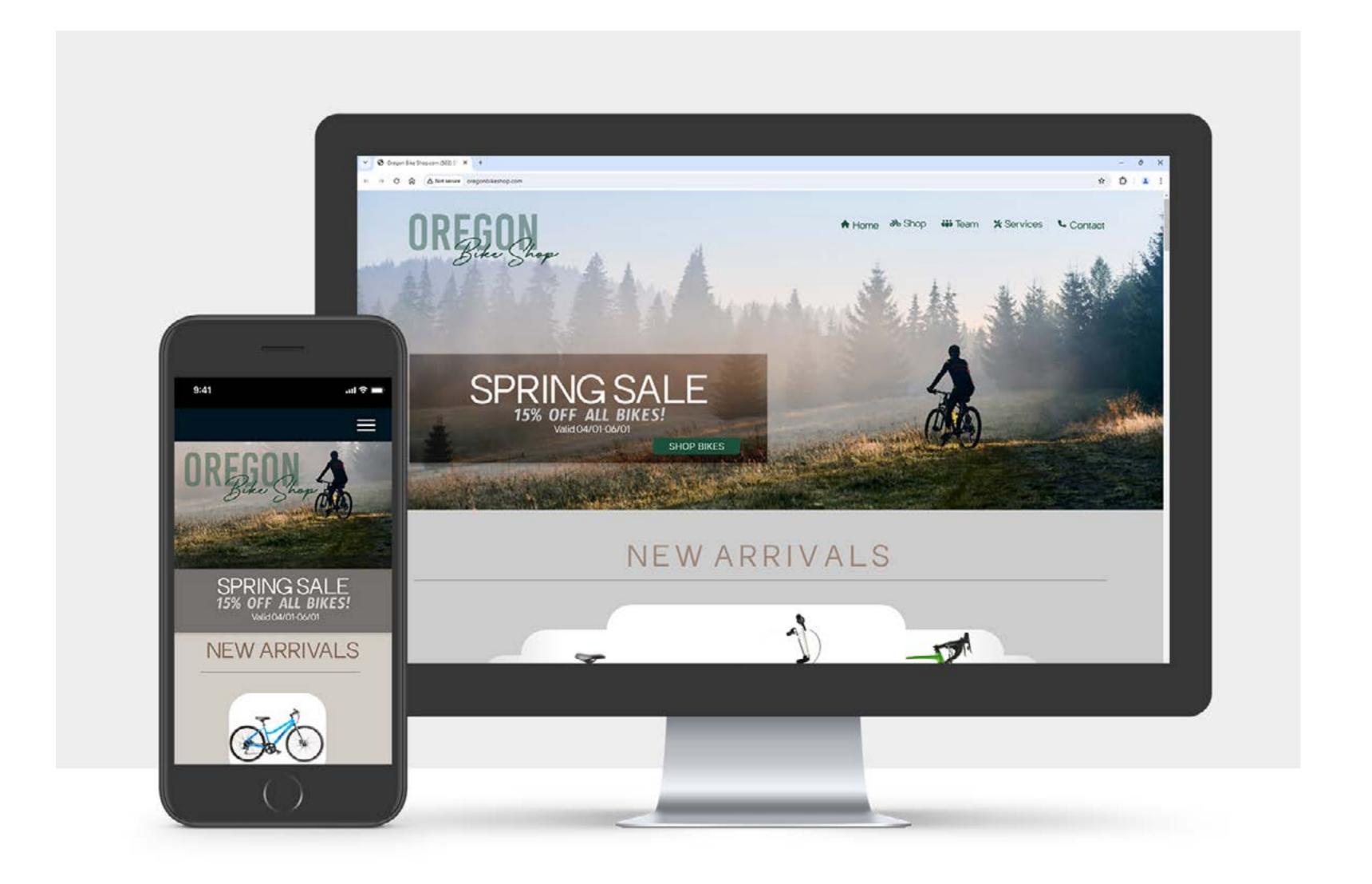


I was tasked with redesigning an existing website for a bike shop in Portland, Oregon. The original site had no hierarchy and contained all of its information on one page, making it hard to navigate visually.

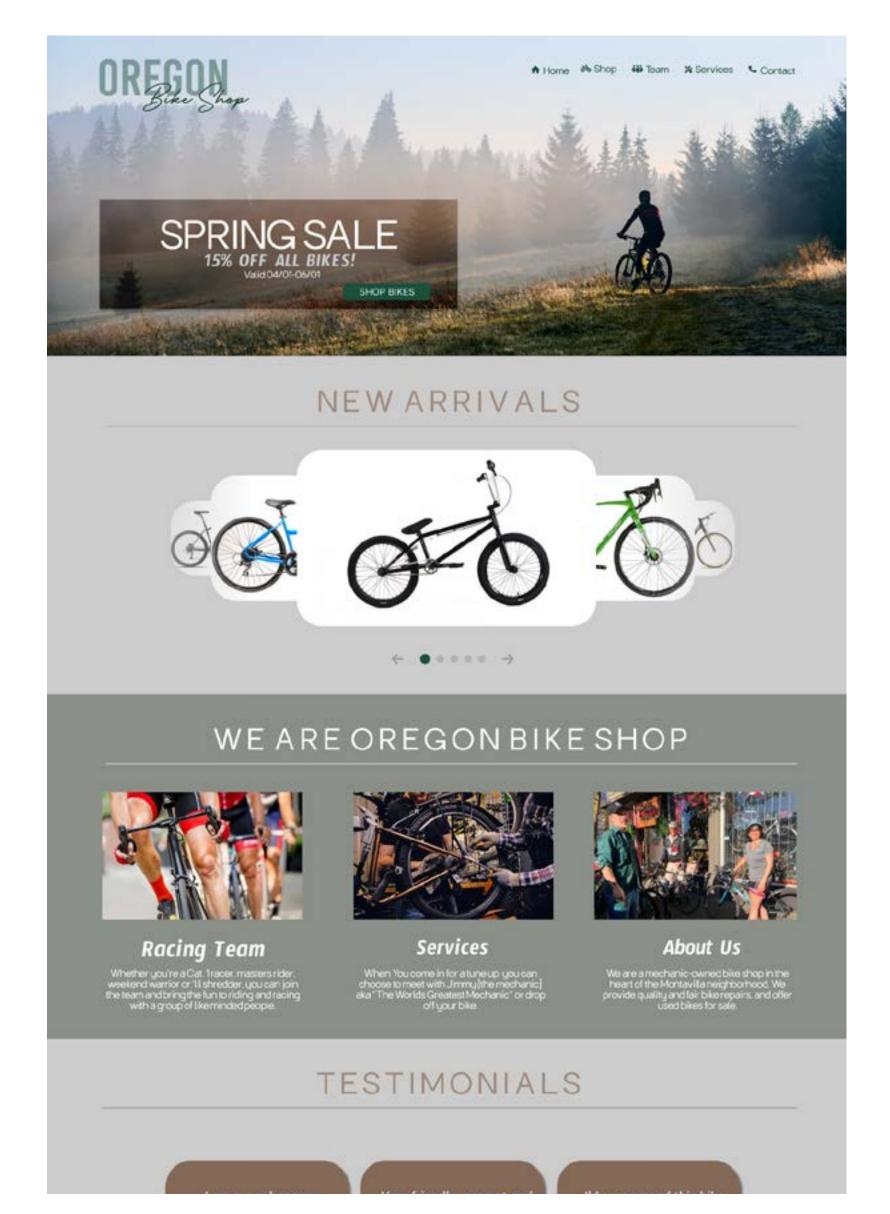
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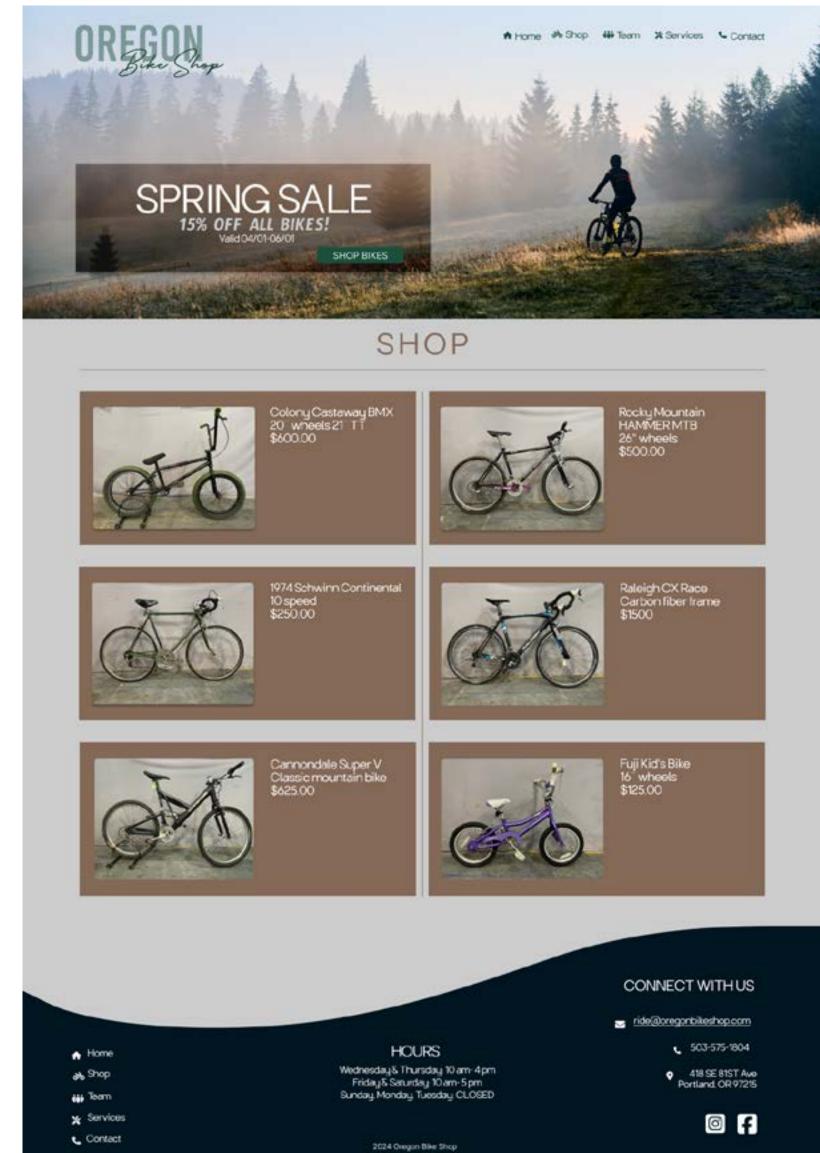
This project started on paper—both to sketch out my wireframes, but also brainstorm how I wanted to sort the information provided into separate pages. From there, I created a wireframe in Figma.

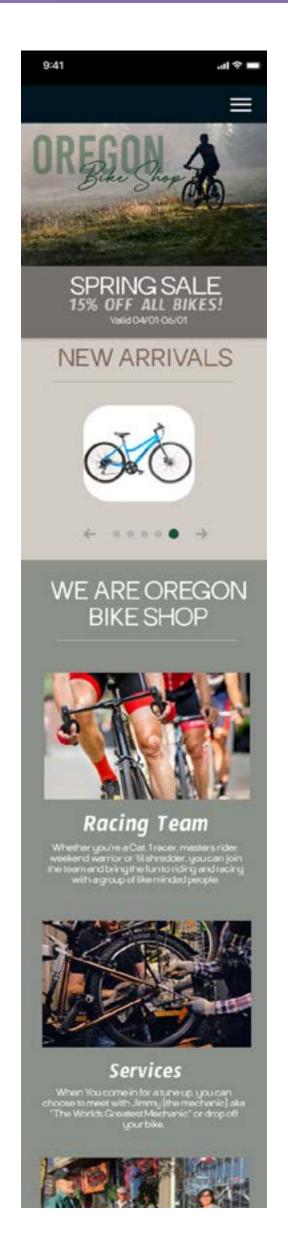
I redesigned the logo and used a color palette that was easier on the eyes than the red, yellow, and black that they used, giving the website more of a green, Oregon vibe. From there, I designed individual pages for information and elements that could benefit from being separated. I aimed to design less-overwhelming pages with easy navigation and clear calls to action, to ensure the best possible user experience.













Using a pre-existing box die, create a brand and product around it, and design the box. The product could be anything, but must fit into the box and have a branded label that fits the branding.

Solution:

I created a cosmetics brand, and the product is body glitter. The product is vegan and cruelty free, and uses only eco-friendly ingredients and packaging, with 100% recyclable materials, and biodegradable glitter.

To keep with the glitter theme, I used a space and starry kind of vibe, opting for colorful elements on a dark background.

Celestial Cosmetics

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To create a poster, ticket, and CD advertising a concert for a band, real or fictional.

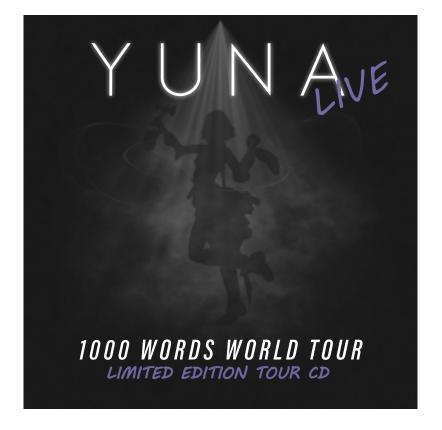
Solution:

I chose to use Yuna from Final Fantasy X-2 rather than a real band, because I felt like there was a lot of room for creativity on this project. Everything referenced on the poster is from the game.

Since the game is pretty old, high-resolution pictures are nonexistent. Instead, I used her character design artwork as a starting point, and turned her into a silhouette, then used various textures to achieve a dreamy and mysterious kind of feel.

Since tour posters usually contain a lot of information, I used borders and lines, as well as various fonts to keep the hierarchy clean.





















With zero restrictions on content, size or style, create a calendar for the upcoming year.

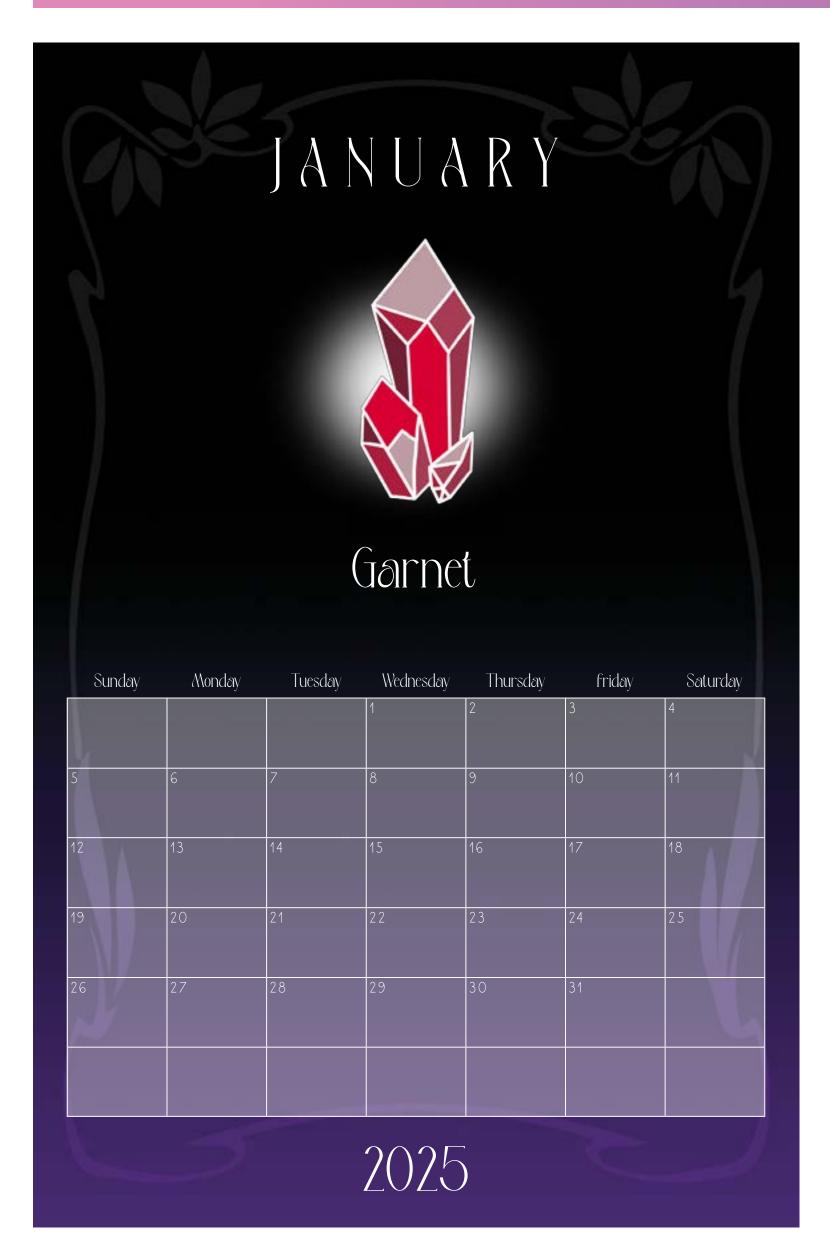
Solution:

I started on drawing the gems in Procreate, then took them to Photoshop for finishing touches.

I used InDesign for the actual layout, utilizing grids, the rulers, and guides to ensure precise measurements on the months and dates. Additionally, I used paragraph and character styles for typographical consistency throughout the project.

















To take two randomly assigned words, and create a fictional band or record label with those words. The second half of this project was to create a sub brand for this record label.

Solution:

I received 'green' and 'astronaut.' I decided I would design a logo for a record label, and it would be aimed at supporting smaller rock bands.

The logo was designed in Adobe Illustrator. The two stars on his helmet are part of the brand recognition, and can be ultilized wherever Green Astrtonaut branding is. For the typefaces, I went with a clean sans serif, and used different values to add a little contrast between the two words.

Lunar Beat is a festival run by this record label, and uses the same typography to indicate that they are from the same brand family.



























For this project, I worked on a team to create, design, and publish a magazine. I was responsible for two full-page advertisements, an interview, a full spread, two short articles, and a few advertisements.

Solution:

Our team decided on publishing a gardening magazine, called Patch Gardening. For my pages, I wanted to create clear hierarchy both with my typography, and with design elements to draw attention to the focal points of each piece.

I stuck to our predetermined color palette, but used a few extra colors to add a little contrast and make a stronger impact where it was needed.

The images I used were a combination of my own photography, and stock images.









rowing up, weekends at my grandma's house meant helping with work in the yard and house before I could play video games for the rest of the day. At the time, I dreaded either option-housework was boring, and yard work meant I would get dirty and encounter bugs. However, as an adult, I realize those days in my grandma's garden are some of my favorite memories; not only were we spending quality time together, but she also taught me valuable skills I still use today. Digging in dirt gave me an appreciation for nature I otherwise wouldn't have. She had an amazing green thumb, and the most beautiful gardens full of color that produced the tastiest vegetables all summer long.

Gardening with your child is not only a great opportunity to create memories and enjoy some fresh air and sunshine, it's a wonderful opportunity to work on fine motor and intellectual skills. Additionally, studies have shown that letting kids help with

everyday tasks around the home teaches them empathy, responsibility, a sense of pride and higher self-esteem, and influences how willing they are to do household tasks as they get older.

This experience is as much about the memories you make as it is a lesson about nature and the cycle of life.

Let's Go!

The first step to kid-friendly gardening is planning. There are all sorts of themes popular among kids, including a pizza garden, an edible garden, or a sensory garden. However, there is nothing wrong with letting them experiment and grow whatever catches their interests!

A fun activity during the planning stage is to let them draw a picture of how they want their garden to look. Let their imagination run wild and

see how much of it you can bring to life.

Kids love small things, so when it comes to tools, go small. Kid-sized tools are readily available at most home improvement stores, and also online. It's recommended to pick metal tools rather than plastic, since these tools can take a beating. At the very least, kids will need a trowel, gloves, and watering can. You'll also want to pick up a shovel, rake, and hoe if they want to help build their garden bed. If they're anything like me, they'll also want an apron to protect their clothes from dirt.

Start with seedlings in the house. Large seeds are a great start for small hands, such as beans and sunflowers, but this shouldn't limit what they want to grow.

Before allowing your child to eat anything from their garden, it's important to discuss which plants are toxic and unsafe to eat.

Oleander, Lilies, Hemlock, Holly, Azaleas, Foxglove, and unfortunately daffodils, should be avoided until they are old enough to know the difference between what's edible and what isn't.

Should you suspect a toxic plant has been ingested, contact poison control at 1-800-222-1222, or 911 if you feel like your child's life is in danger.

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ees. Some fear them, some love them. Regardless of how you feel Dabout them, bee populations are on a decline, and it's important now more than ever that we do what we can to help our little friends. Let's talk about what plants we can provide to attract not only bees, but other lesser-known pollinators, such as Butterflies, bats, moths, and birds.

<u>Bees</u>

<u>Moths</u>

Moths often visit the same flowers as bees, just make sure their flowers are light-colored and easy to detect at night.

<u>Bats</u>

<u>Birds</u>

Bird pollination mainly occurs in tropical regions





From the Garden to the table

TOFU AND SUMMER VEGETABLE CURRY

- •4 Tbsp. virgin coconut oil or extra-virgin olive oil,
- •1 14-oz. package firm or extra-firm tofu, patted dry, cut into ½" cubes*
- Kosher salt
- •2 medium onions, coarsely chopped
- •1/3 cup red curry paste
- •2 large zucchini, cut into ½" pieces •1 large or 2 small Japanese eggplant, cut into ½"
- •8 oz. green beans, trimmed, cut into 1" pieces •1 13.5-oz. can unsweetened coconut milk
- •Lime wedges, cilantro leaves with tender stems, and coarsely chopped salted, roasted peanuts

*Tofu can be replaced with cooked meat of your

DIRECTIONS:

1. Heat 2 Tbsp. oil in a large skillet, preferably nonstick, over medium-high. Add tofu in a single layer and cook, turning over once, until cooked sides are golden brown, about 4 minutes. Transfer to paper towels to drain. Season with kosher salt.

2. Heat remaining 2 Tbsp. oil in a large pot or highsided skillet over medium-high. Add onions and a generous pinch of salt and stir to coat. Cook, stirring often, until softened, about 4 minutes. Stir in curry paste and cook, stirring often, until darkened in color, about 2 minutes. Add zucchini, eggplant, and green beans and cook, tossing to coat, until vegetables are softened and starting to brown in spots, 5-7 minutes. Pour in coconut milk and ½ cup water and bring to a simmer.

3. Add tofu to pot and stir gently to combine. Cook until warmed through, about 3 minutes. Season with more salt if needed.

4. Divide curry among bowls and add a generous squeeze of lime juice to each. Top with cilantro and peanuts. 🏶







One of my freelance clients requested a business card. During our initial meeting, I asked if they had a logo or any other branding they would like to be implemented. They said no, and asked if that could be included in this project.

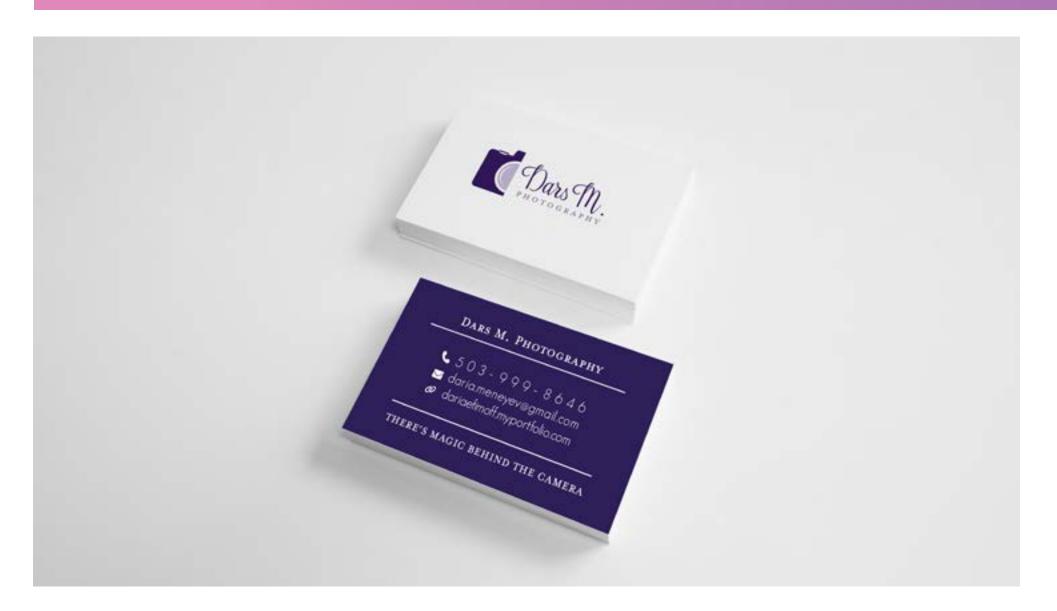
Solution:

I was given mostly free-reign with this project, with the request that it be elegant, be done in blues and purples, and that the logo include a camera and/or night theme. From my sketches, my client picked the half camera, and we moved on to typography. I felt like this was a great point to start with the elegant aspect of the project, and used a script typeface for the name of the brand. I then paired it with a serif typeface to add contrast.

For the business card, I put the logo against a white background to achieve a clean but striking look. On the backside, I used a dark purple for a bold effect. To ensure consistency, I used the serif typeface from their logo on their information.













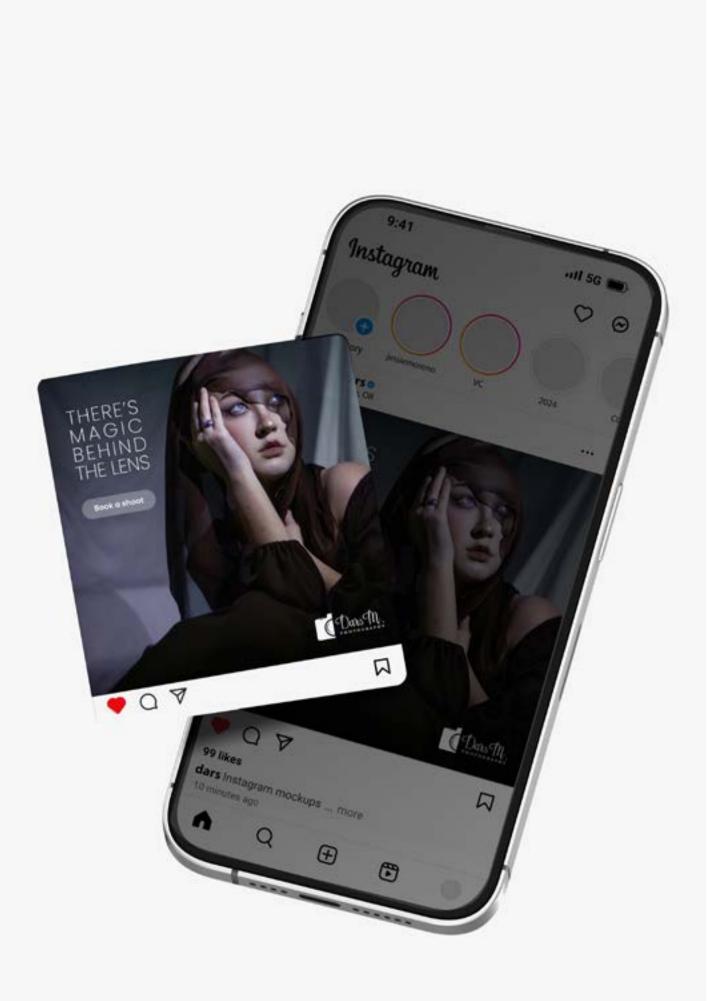


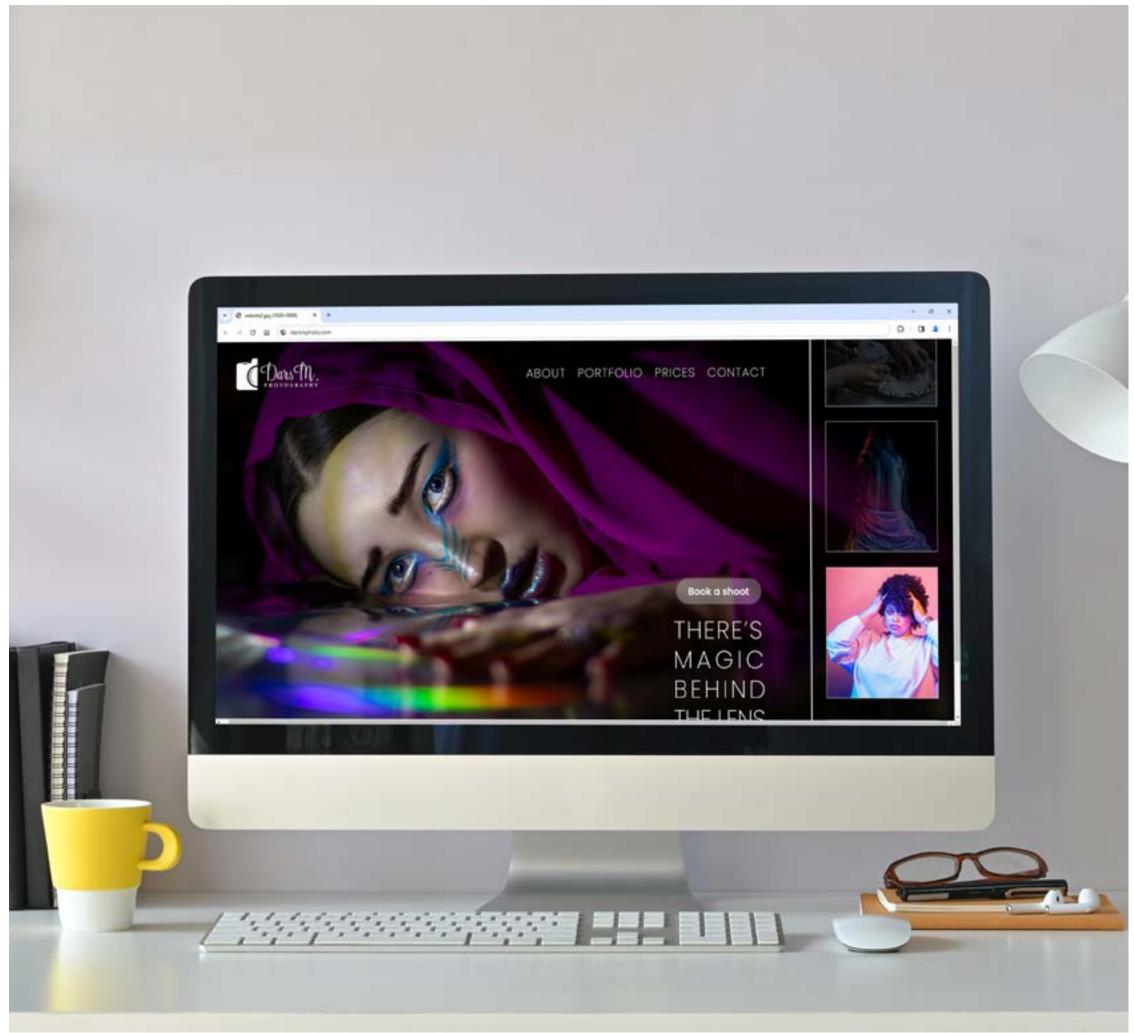














The goal for this project was to create a cereal brand, then create a die template and design the packaging. Requirements for this project included having three features to make it unique, and to have an interactive element on the back.

Solution:

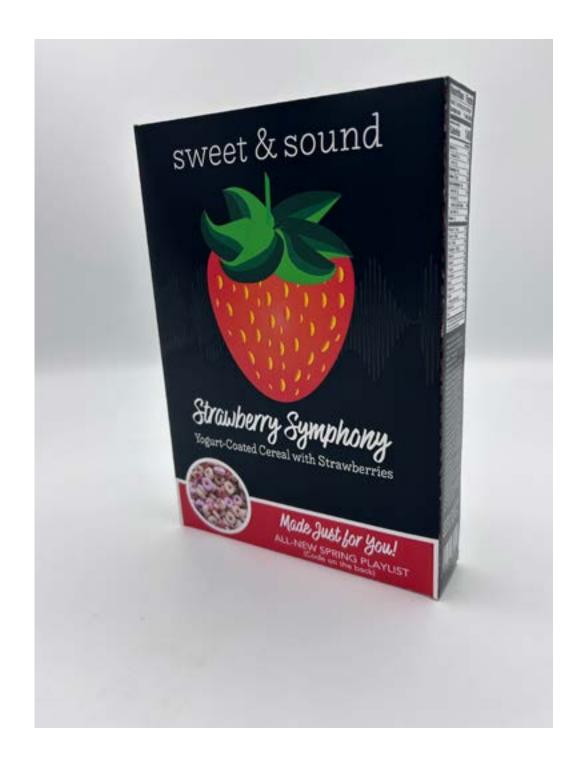
The interactive element is a scannable code to a playlist on Spotify (and yes, it goes to a real playlist!)

For the box, I measured a cereal box I bought, then used those dimensions to create my own in Adobe Illustrator.

For the design, I picked strawberry because they're vibrant and eye-catching. I used a black background because not only does it contrast well with the bright red hues of the strawberry, it would make the package stand out against competitors on the shelf.

















To create a logo for a fictional eyewear company called Mizar, set to open in the Hawthorne district of Portland, Oregon. Their target audience was younger professionals who wanted to be stylish on a budget. I was given an hour to tackle this project from start to finish, which included reading the creative brief and conducting competitor research, then sketching and designing the logo.

Solution:

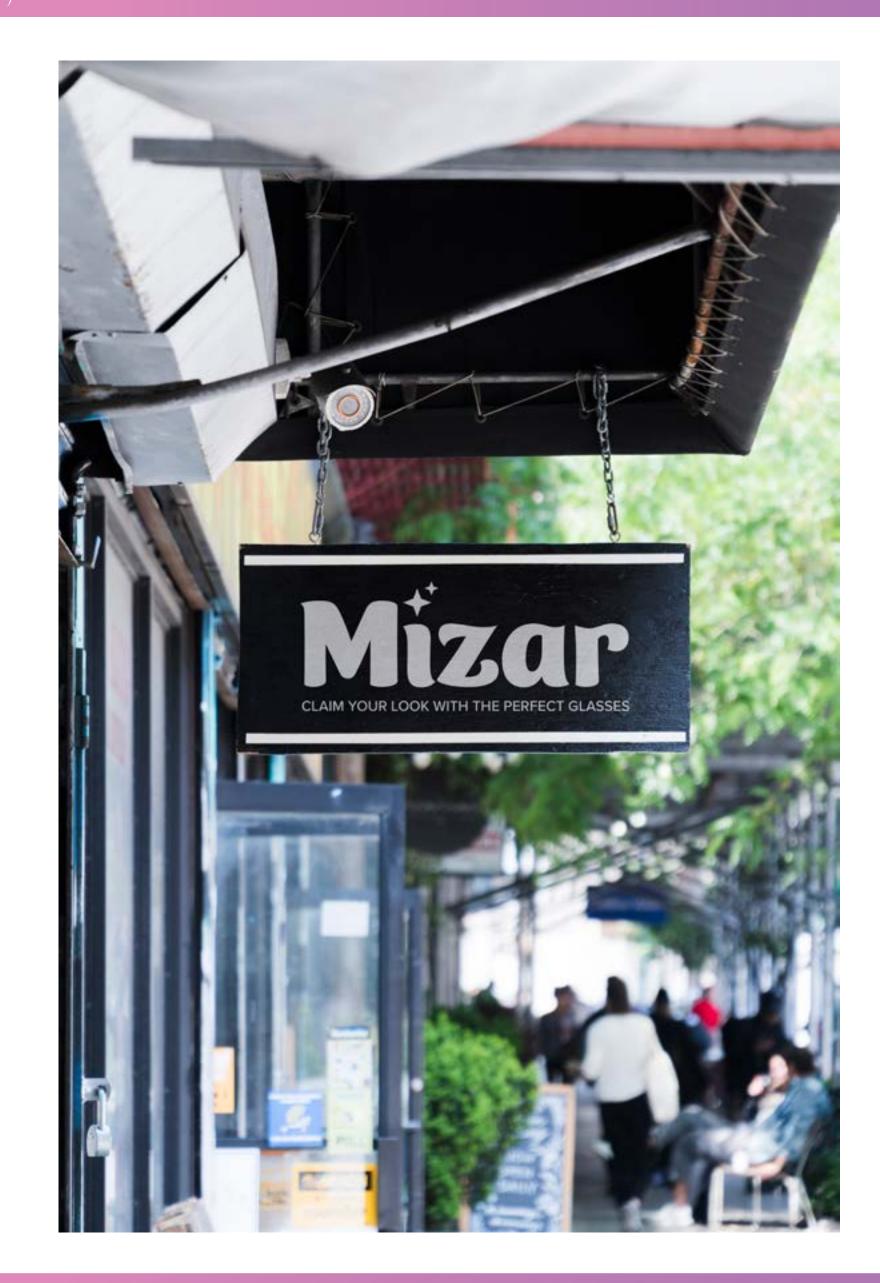
The creative brief mentioned that Mizar is a star in the big dipper, so I researched it a little more, and found that it's accompanied by a smaller star named Alcor. I knew I wanted to incorporate them into the logo, so I started working with typefaces, and ended up using them on the "i". I went with a typeface that was bold and eyecatching, and paired it with a thin sans-serif typeface so the tagline would contrast with the company name.













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