### Katarina Blind

I'm a self-driven product designer with experience in high impact environments. I lead with curiosity and turn ideas into reality.

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#### **EDUCATION**

# International Design Business Management (MA) Aalto University

**HELSINKI, FINLAND** 

Cross-disciplinary program in design, technology and business development in one of the highest ranked design schools in the world.

# **Design (BA)**Aalto University

**HELSINKI, FINLAND** 

International program focusing on digital-physical experiences through industrial and service design.

#### **SKILLS**

#### Tools

Figma, Framer, Origami Studio Mixpanel, Fullstory, UserTesting.com, Maze

Others include: Fusion 360, Rhino, SolidWorks, Procreate, Illustrator, Photoshop, SketchUp

### Design

User Research, UX Design, Product Thinking, Content Strategy, Prototyping, UI // Visual Design, Interaction Design, Visual Storytelling, Stakeholder Management, Process Management, Workshop Facilitation

# **Development**

HTML, CSS, SwiftUI, JavaScript

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### **Experience Designer** · <u>LEGO</u>

MAR 2024 - PRESENT // BILLUND, DENMARK // INTERNSHIP Impacted accounts roadmap and strategy with conversion system. Initiated and drove holistic cross-surface project to create immersive building experiences for adult builders (at-home and in-store experiences).

### Product Designer · Independent, with HSL

APR 2023 - NOV 2023 // HELSINKI, FINLAND

Initiated, scoped and successfully pitched project to improve the bus travel experience for internationals. Currently collaborating with Helsinki public transit to implement real-world changes.

#### **UX Designer** · Pillar (Y Combinator)

MAY 2022 - AUG 2022 // SAN FRANCISCO, US // REMOTE

Drove data-informed product enhancements, higher engagement, retention, and conversion across 30+ projects in 4 months. Identified growth opportunities for C2C, B2C, and B2B, for page editing, browsing and e-commerce experiences. Led and oversaw all design initiatives within company

### Product Designer · Trade Republic

JUN 2021 - AUG 2021 // BERLIN, GERMANY // INTERNSHIP

Enabled launch of web product by communicating final designs to team of several PMs and engineers. Scoped and prepared follow-up launches spanning across stock and crypto overviews, market orders and general account management.

### **Product Designer** · Freeletics

JUL 2020 - SEP 2020 // MUNICH, GERMANY // INTERNSHIP

Led wearables project to streamline post-workout feedback, resulting in a 20% increase in run workouts, substantial retention improvement and 80% decrease in interaction footprint.

#### SIDE PROJECTS

# Social Media, Community, and Research Coordinator · Push UX (UX Conference)

JUN 2023 - JAN 2024 // REMOTE

Crafted social media strategy and designs for increased workshop sales. Increased conference visibility by 25%.

# **Pre-Incubator Fellow** · <u>Aalto Ventures Program</u>

AUG 2023 - OCT 2023 // HELSINKI, FINLAND

Collaborated with engineer on AI writer for SEO optimization. Focused on improving UX and understanding technical side.

#### **VOLUNTEERING**

# **Design Advisor** · Artmu

JUL 2022 - PRESENT

Advising on e-commerce design for a Finnish online art and design marketplace featuring student work.

# Mentor, Community Co-Lead · Aalto UX

FEB 2023 - PRESENT

Providing career guidance, teaching process fundamentals, and creating a supportive learning community for emerging designers and career transitioners.