

## **CHRISTOPHER BLUM**

Freelance UI/UX Creative Director & lecturer

I shape ideas through clever and simple design solutions with functionality at its core and the users in mind.

Lets make a positive impact together!

ONLINE PORTFOLIO 🗷

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# PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

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# BLENDING AESTHETICS & FUNCTIONALITY

### WHAT I LOVE TO DO

Brand identity & Design

App, Web & Software Design

**Team Lead** 

Accessibility guidelines

**Design Thinking** 

**Creative & Art Direction** 

UI, UX, IxD

Workshops

**Design Systems** 

Teamwork

## **SELECTED CLIENTS**

I work for small and big clients, well known and unknown brands, individuals, agencies, startups and companies.

I really like that diversity.



**NETFLIX** 







KUEHNE+NAGEL

Miles & More

COMMERZBANK 🛆

S/Z/G/

**JUNGVMATT** 

**MUTABOR** 

interone

## **AWARDS**













## BILLIE

#### **BRANDING A FINTEC STARTUP FROM SCRATCH**

Building a brand from scratch is a rare and exciting opportunity. Using my holistic approach of strategy, UX & UI, we began with a 2-day BIxD branding workshop to deeply understand the company and its products. I then created the full corporate design, from logo to product and marketing websites, ending with a flexible design system.

FULL CASE STUDY 🗷

2017 - 2021

**Brand Strategy** 

**Creative Direction** 

UI & UX Design

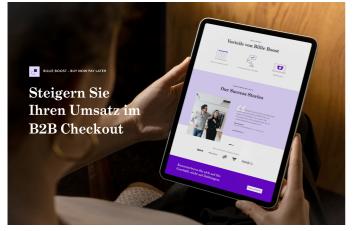
Design System

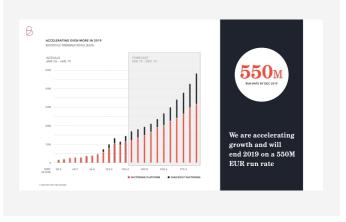
Pitch Presentation



New standard for B2B payments







## **BIRDY7**

#### **RENEWABLE ENERGY SOFTWARE**

Birdy7 is a software for managing renewable energy systems. In a small team, I helped create a clear, user-centric design, focused on making complex data easy to understand and act on. We built a flexible design system, a customizable multiscreen monitoring center, and tailored visualizations. The UI includes industrial age inspired elements.

FULL CASE STUDY 7

2015 - 2016, natcon 7

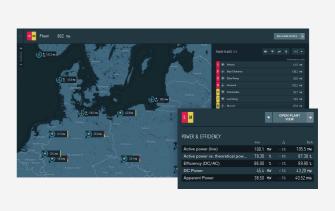
Senior Art Direction

UX/UI Design

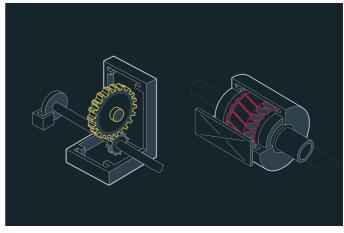
**Technical Illustrations** 

Design System









## ORCHESTER DER KULTUREN

#### **BRANDING A WORLD SYMPHONY**

The Orchester der Kulturen is the world's only orchestra that blends classical symphonic music with diverse vocals and global rhythms & instruments to create a truly unique sound. The new branding celebrates diversity and energy with a generative logo of global letterforms, bold colors and vibrant visuals that capture the spirit of its performances.

FULL CASE STUDY 🗷

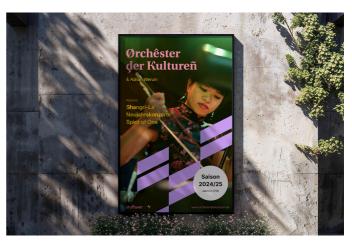
2024/25

**Brand Design** 

**Creative Direction** 

CD Design







Ørchêster der Kultureñ

Mission

Connecting the world through music





## **S.OLIVER**

#### PERSONALIZED FASHION APP

We redesigned the s.Oliver Fashion app, modernizing its mobile design with a focus on personal, inspirational, and simple user experiences. The result: higher engagement and user satisfaction. Our small UX/UI team delivered the app as a cross-channel shopping hub, with personalized features, gamification, and a minimal, device-optimized interface.

FULL CASE STUDY 
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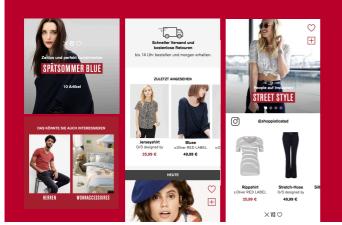
2017, DEPT

Senior Art Direction

Design Lead









# KÜHNE + NAGEL

#### DESIGN SYSTEM FOR WHOLE APPLICATION LANDSCAPE

Logistics at K+N involved multiple complex applications. Our challenge was to unify different tools into a single, cohesive platform. Through close collaboration across departments, user research, and deep process understanding, we created a shared design system with unified UI components and UX patterns with improved accessibility & data visualization.

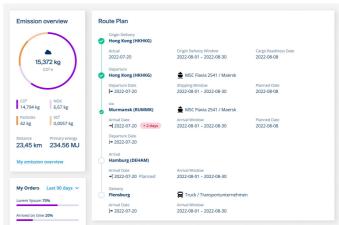
2019 - 2022

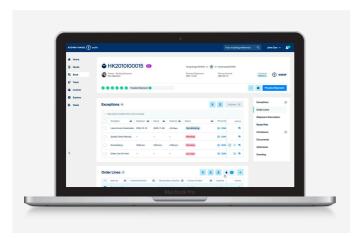
**Creative Direction** 

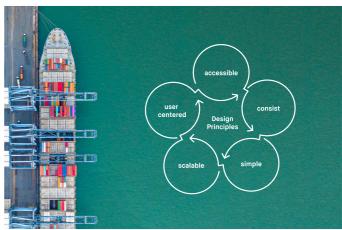
UX/UI Design

Design System









## BMW GROUP

#### SITE RELAUNCH / 100 YEARS REBRANDING

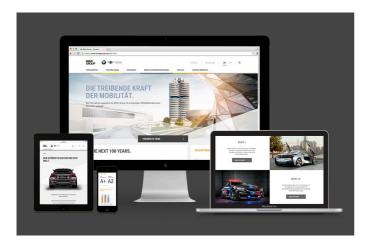
Bold, informative, and highly functional - a responsive web experience for BMW Group's 100th anniversary. We redesigned the corporate online presence with a mobile-optimized interface. Clear navigation, motion design, and a future-focused look support both daily use and the 100 years campaign.

2016, interone

Senior Art Direction

UX/UI Design

**Brand Design** 









## **MUTABOR & LINGUA 365**

#### **NEW BRAND SITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PLAYGROUND**

Mutabor first booked me for their client DFL, then for their brand site and social strategy. We built a soulful site with a flexible grid, bold type, full-screen visuals, and unique case studies. For social, we launched The Daily Change, a wordless icon calendar interpreting global events, shared successfully across Tumblr, Facebook, and Twitter.

FULL CASE STUDY /

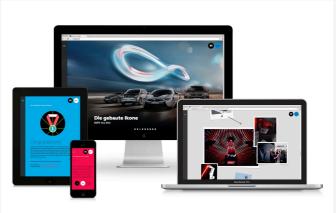
2014

**Brand Design** 

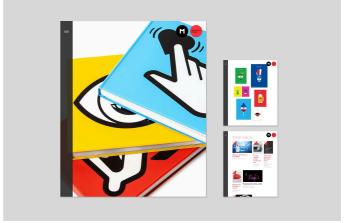
Art Direction

UI & UX Design









### **WHAT MY CLIENTS SAY**

"I've been fortunate enough to work with Christopher as a freelancer for nine years now – on a wide variety of projects and budgets. He constantly surprises me with fresh, innovative ideas that take our joint projects to a new level every time."



#### THORSTEN BECKER

Creative Director at SYZYGY

"Very strong Creative Director with an outstanding portfolio and strong people management skills. Christopher helped us to completely revamp our product design, website structure, creatives, user flows and even came up with the initial version of the Billie logo. I would definitely work with Christopher again in the future at any time."



DR. MATTHIAS KNECHT

Co-Founder at Billie

"I have been working with Christopher Blum for 13 years. His exceptional creativity, interpersonal skills, and reliability in execution are not only reason enough for our trusting collaboration to date, but also a solid foundation for future projects."



#### **ADRIAN WERUM**

Founder at Orchester der Kulturen

## **HOW I WORK**

#### **TODAY AND TOMORROW**

With more than 17 years of professional work experience and 12 years of freelancing I have seen a lot, but I am still soaking up new trends as the only constant in our digital world is change.

#### PRODUCT EXCELLENCE

I have a holistic approach to brands and products to find the best creative solution. I don't differentiate too much between UI & UX and I love details as they are not just the details, they make the product excellent.

#### **TEAMWORK**

I highly value teamwork with my clients. I can also be your one-stop-shop, but I love to be part of your team and integrate seamlessly. I play Ping-Pong with engaged collegues, to create powerful results.

## FREELANCE EXPERIENCE

2023 - today	Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at SYZYGY
	Miles&More App & Website, Pitch
2024	Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at Orchester der Kulturen
	Brandstrategy, Logo, Branding & Poster
2022	Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at ClipMyHorse
	Brandstrategy, Logo, Branding & Website
2021	Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at Billie
	Website, Design system
2019 - 2022	Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at Kühne & Nagel
	Logistic software, Design system for whole application landscape
2018	Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at Tillhub
	Brandingstrategy, Redesign & Website
	Freelance Senior UI Designer at Superreal
	OTTO Whitelabel Shop & Design system, Atomic Design Worksho

Freelance Senior UI Designer at Scholz&Volkmer

Fraport interactive terminals

## FREELANCE EXPERIENCE

2017 Freelance Creative Director UX/UI at Billie

Brandstrategy, Logo, Branding & Websites

Freelance Senior UI Designer at Superreal

s. Oliver Shopping App, Weber Grill Christmas card

Freelance Senior UI Designer at Neugelb

Commerzbank App Guidelines

Freelance Senior UI Designer at JvM

Mercedes Bank Website, Kind Website

2016 Freelance Senior UI Designer at Cream Colored Ponies

Nürnberger Versicherungen Website

Freelance Senior UI Designer at Natcon7

Renewable energy software

2015 Freelance Senior UI Designer at Natcon7

Renewable energy software

Freelance Senior UI Designer at Kolle Rebbe

**Netflix promotions** 

#### FREELANGE EXPERIENCE

2014 Freelance Senior UI Designer at SYZYGY

Dr. Oetker Website, Marco Polo Website, Mercedes Vito Campaign

2013 Freelance Senior UI Designer at Scholz&Volkmer

Mercedes Benz Connected Vehicles

Freelance Senior UI Designer at MUTABOR

DFL Digital Sports Website, Mutabor Agency Website

Freelance Senior UI Designer at ACNE

**Economist Pitch Nelson Mandela Special** 

2012 Freelance UI Designer at Scholz&Volkmer

Lufthansa App, Panasonic Eluga campaign

Freelance UI Designer at SYZYGY

KfW Bank Website, Miele Design principles & website

# LECTURER, SPEAKER, AUTHOR, EDUCATION

03/2022 - 02/2025	Lectureship Interaction Design HAW Hamburg
03/2017	Speaker at Forward Festival, Hamburg for DEPT. Agency
03/2009 - 04/2012	Art Director at Scholz & Volkmer, Wiesbaden for Mercedes-Benz, Coca-Cola, Panasonic
10/2009 - 04/2011	Freelance Autor at Weave Magazin interactive design & conception
03/2007 - 02/2009	Junior Art Director at Scholz & Volkmer
10/2002 - 07/2006	Digital Media (BA) at University Ulm Graphic Design at University of Memphis, USA



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Tell me about your project.

Let's collaborate and make great stuff.