

# sam nguyen

Graphic Designer

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## education

### University of Houston

Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design & Minor in Art History (2021)

### Lone Star College-Cyfair

Associate of Arts degree (2017)

## skills

### Design

Research & concept development, print, branding & identity systems, web, UX/UI, exhibition & environmental design, motion graphics

### Technical

Proficient in Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, Premiere Pro, After Effects, XD, HTML, CSS, Wordpress, Sketchup

### Other

Illustration, silkscreen, book-binding, painting, lettering, ceramics, English, conversational Vietnamese

## experience

### Kirksey Architecture (2020–Present)

*Brand Integration Designer*

Design of functional & artful branded environments, graphics, & wayfinding/signage with ADA code compliance.

### Freelancer (2016–Present)

*Artist & Designer*

Design of promotional materials, logos, & graphics. Collaborate with clients & other designers/artists to create illustrations, design elements, & typography. Consistently meet deadlines & budget requirements.

### UH College of Education (2020–2021)

*Graphic Design Assistant*

Design of various print & digital marketing communications invitations, cards, stickers, & social media assets.

### UH Marketing (2020–2021)

*Creative Services Intern*

Assist Creative Services team with marketing, publication design, logo development, & branding. Working knowledge of print & web layout, file preparation & exporting.

### Dirty Fingers Cajun House (2018–2019)

*Hostess & Server*

Customer service operating in a fast-paced environment, interpersonal communication with co-workers & customers. Multi-tasking, thoroughness, & teamwork.

## awards

**Design I: Third Place**, "Curves & Corners," Bosque Gallery at Lone Star College-Cyfair (Fall 2017)

**Design I: Second Place**, "Indigenous," Bosque Gallery at Lone Star College-Cyfair (Spring 2017)

## exhibitions & publications

**UH Graphic Design Senior Exhibition**, University of Houston Design Studios/Third Space Gallery (2021)

**UH School of Art Student Exhibition**, Blaffer Museum (Juried, 2021)

**Vietnamese American Houston Artist Exhibition**, (Juried, Virtual, 2021)

**BAMSA Biannual Art Show**, University of Houston (Virtual, 2021)

**Get Out The Vote: Empowering the Women's Vote, Campaign**, AIGA (2020)

**Empower: Celebrating Women's Right to Vote**, The Printing Museum (Virtual, 2020)

Artist Talk with the Printing Museum (Virtual)

**UH Graphic Design Open Studio**,

University of Houston (Fall 2019)

**Open Donut Zine**, UH School of Art, pg. 13 (Spring 2019), pg. 96, 97 (Fall 2018)

**Lone Star-CyFair: Student Art Exhibition**, Bosque Gallery (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

## collaborative projects

**Here, We Go Donor gift**,

commissioned artwork by UH Advancement, produced by UH graphic design students (2021)

**The Museum of In-Between Spaces**,

a collaborative anthology created by UH graphic design students (2020)

Reading & Q+A with Brazos Bookstore (Virtual)

**This Is Jensen Placemaking Project**,

a collaboration with UH Architecture, Jensen/Eastex, Houston (Installation postponed, 2020)

## activities & affiliations

**AIGA**, The Professional Association for Design, *member*

**UHGD**, University of Houston Graphic Design, *member*

**UH GAP**, University of Houston Graphic Design Alumni Partnership, *member*

**Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth Movement**, *level II youth leader, division leader for youth ages 13–15*

**Momentum Education**, HISD *volunteer essay reader*



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Portfolio & references available upon request.