NAVRITI SOOD

12+ years as a creative Program and Project leader bringing brands to life. Operations and agile expert turning obstacles into opportunities. 917-834-0288 navriti.sood@gmail.com Portfolio: <u>navritisood.com</u>

Sr. Program Manager | Project Director | Creative Operations | Agile Expert | Organizational Strategist

Gather Contract

Sr. Program Manager - Product Marketing & Agile Coach

- Led agile teams to deliver audience data, media plans, CX, product roadmaps, UX, and **branded content** for digital campaigns and websites in **AEM**, owned full project cycle, established review, **prioritization and resourcing cadences with stakeholders**
- Proactively assessed and de-escalated risks, **leveraged data** to **drive strategy** and make impact at scale, streamlined comms.
- Facilitated workshops in partnership with vendors to define OKR's & KPI's, led program initiatives to improve team efficiency
- Briefed creative agencies on design/content strategy, reviewed creative in FigJam, attended shoots and provided feedback

Oliver Agency Contract

Sr. Program Manager - Marketing & Brand Operations

- Led global strategy, product, engineering, design, copy, UX and video teams to launch branded content and websites in AEM
- Utilized Agile methods, JIRA and Figma, wrote Product Requirement Documents, trafficked tasks to cross-functional teams
- Worked with stakeholders on project scope, managed multiple work streams, identified and solved risks across projects
- Worked with VPs to strategize, test and implement creative programs to continuously improve operational processes
- Researched current state, interviewed stakeholders to gather data towards facilitating pilot projects to test new processes
- Defined OKRs, measured KPIs to determine success of new processes and frameworks, codified standards/best practices
- Created learning/governance guides, SOWs, budgets and timelines, managed full project lifecycle, led sprints and cadences

IBM Contract

Project Director - Digital Strategy & Design Operations

- Lead **design**, core UX, copy, and engineering teams in scoping, planning, and **delivery of complex web**, enterprise and platform projects for **IBM Watson and IBM Brand**, achieved all milestones on time/on budget, managed **onboarding** of team members
- Implemented Agile methods with JIRA, Slack, and Box. Gathered data and facilitated retrospectives to improve collaboration and streamline workflows while identifying/mitigating risks, resulting in operational efficiency and better team satisfaction
- Established strong relationships with stakeholders, worked with product owners to define product roadmap and milestones
- Led sprints with vendors, strategy, design and global engineering teams resulting in transparency and clear project direction
- Managed internal CMS transformation, defined requirements and resourcing, trafficked asset delivery, led daily/weekly stand ups and facilitated stakeholder reviews resulting in project cohesion, improved operational systems and quality of execution

Ruca.co Freelance

Sr. Design Program Manager

- Led cross-functional, design, strategy, video and engineering teams to develop websites, content and digital campaigns
- Collaborated with executives/stakeholders to define project objectives, budgets and deliverables, ensuring alignment with strategic goals and driving improvement in overall project success rate, tracked budgets, weekly burn sheets, attended shoots
- Led client meetings, **reviews** and weekly sprints, tracked team progress and achieved weekly goals, fostering accountability
- Facilitated workshops and wrote playbooks on governance, gathered data and produced bi-weekly reports for stakeholders
- Worked with stakeholders to design and implement strategic programming to improve operating systems, defined OKRs/KPIs
- Gathered data and provided strategic direction per data synthesis, presented and successfully executed programs leading to improved organizational effectiveness and more agile org. structures, utilized Asana (kanban), Slack, MS Office and G-Suite

Jump450

Sr. Program Manager - Marketing Operations & Digital Ads

- Led design, engineering, and sales teams in scoping, planning, and executing digital/social media campaigns for Saas clients
- Managed freelancers, UX/graphic designers to produce video, photo, and branded content, ensured quality execution
- Applied Agile/Scrum methods throughout project life cycle, led stand ups, client reviews and tracked project progress
- Mentored junior project managers in defining quarterly goals, improving skills and nurturing their career paths, led resourcing
- Managed PM department, **designed progressive systems**, **programs and systemic processes to improve team productivity** and operational hygiene aligned with company OKRs, resulting in client satisfaction, and increased profits
- Worked with C-suite team to workshop org. challenges to improve agency communications and organizational strategies
- Successfully implemented programs to create more agile org. structures, wrote process docs and built sharable knowledge base

Spotify Freelance Management Consultant - Marketing Operations & Strategy

Jul. 2019 - May 2020

- Worked with C-Suite stakeholders to identify operational challenges, audited current state of systems and knowledge base
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- Developed and facilitated workshops to articulate current operating model, organizational structures and process workflows
- Interviewed stakeholders on global teams and led discovery phase to gather qualitative and quantitative data, defined OKRs
 Synthesized data, presented organizational strategies, solutions and successfully saw through operating model design

Education New York University: BS Media, Culture and Communications | Vrije University: MS Organizational Strategy

Apr. 2024 - Nov. 2024

Oct. 2023 - Feb. 2024

Sept. 2022 - Apr. 2023

Oct. 2021 - Feb. 2023

Aug. 2020 - Oct. 2021

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Fable Health

Management Consultant - People Operations & Strategy

- Partnered with CEO and COO to align on business strategy for change management, hiring needs and guarterly/yearly planning
- Lead meetings, being diplomatic and discreet in high-level communications, brought in HR best practices, shaped culture
- Created interview structures, administered tests for design, development and sales roles, wrote job descriptions across levels • Wrote and developed learning documents and videos, facilitated full onboarding cycle for sales, engineering, and design roles

The Next Web - Spaces

Program Manager - Operations Strategy & Community Design Thesis Project

- Worked with C-suite team to create a community focused, performance-driven culture based on defined team KPI's supporting company OKR's to facilitate change management, improving community engagement by 35% and increasing profits
- Collected qualitative and quantitative data, analyzed insights and metrics to inform organizational decisions towards catalyzing knowledge sharing, evolving company culture, and executing progressive programming and community engagement
- Produced events, programs and workshops to provide up-skilling, knowledge sharing, and expanding tooling for SaaS startups
- Created/distributed program docs, learning guides, and culture manuals to codify community and culture parameters

Kettle

Oct. 2015 - Aug. 2016

- **Creative Producer**
- Led copy, design, dev, QA and strategy teams to deliver websites and digital campaigns for multiple clients
- Managed daily client meetings, provided updates to international teams ensuring timely delivery and high quality execution
- Wrote scopes of work, budgets, timelines and internal documents to ensure clear project direction, kicked off team projects
- Distributed tasks with Asana, organized server structure, managed assets and launch efforts ensuring frictionless delivery
- Hired illustrators, influencers and creative talent on contract for creative client projects, executed design programming
- · Managed shoots, production schedules and communications with external vendors while ensuring content is on brand

Apple Interactive Producer

Jan. 2015 - Oct. 2015

- Managed creative development programs towards producing websites on apple.com for iPad, iPhone, Apple Music and corporate webpages resulting in expressing significant product evolution and internal design process optimization
- Coordinated integration of copy and designs into PSDs, edited copy and visuals to ensure accuracy before presenting for creative reviews and stakeholder approval resulting in high standards of design guality and product consistency
- Guided global teams on international launches, managed transfer of creative assets and prep for translation needs
- Worked cross functionally with video, graphic production, dev, business affairs, content, traffic, legal and QA teams to ensure optimal guality and timely delivery of assets and project milestone, resulting in team synergy and operational efficiency
- Interviewed stakeholders to develop onboarding processes for design, dev, copy and PM teams, wrote process/learning guides for all employees, onboarded freelance and full-time colleagues ensuring everyone is informed of internal processes

Career Highlights

Increased Profits Implemented major shifts in agency processes to agile/sprint models that led to signing/maintaining \$2M+ clients Global Audience Engagement Built a globally known marketing campaign and slogan with a small team that is still recognized today Improved Efficiency Brought in empathetic and human elements to strategic operational structures that streamlined daily operations Team Satisfaction Bridged gaps between design, tech, people and business goals to create cohesive and progressive structures Company Acquisition Scaled creative & business systems leading to increased revenue, company valuation and eventual acquisition

Strenghts & Expertise

Stakeholder Collaboration Organizational Effectiveness **Relationship Building** Mentoring Juniors

Project Retrospectives Operations Strategy Measuring Success Metrics Workflow Optimization

Team Leadership Oualitative/Ouantitative Research Google/Apple/Microsoft Office **Contract Negotiation** Hiring & Resourcing

JIRA, Asana, Workfront, Trello, Wrike Figma, Adobe CS, Invision, Miro Getting The Job Done

Additional Experience: Podcast Producer, Host & Writer

Future of Storytelling | Above + Below | NYU Radio Podcast Producer : Good Citizen

- Led cross-functional teams to develop an interview based talk-show podcast, led brainstorming sessions to determine episode direction, sourced potential quests for the show and participated in pitch meetings with executive producers and host
- Performed in-depth research for interviews; read books, articles, academic papers and conducted calls with sources
- Worked with audio engineers, to determine proper transcript edits, music mixing and managed re-recording sessions

Interests | Live music, painting, printmaking, meditation, cooking. Ask me about the best pasta in town!

Sept. 2018 - Apr. 2020

Jan. 2017 - Jun. 2018