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DESIGN WIZARD

RILEY ADKISSON

primary motivation

PERSONAL SUMMARY

Riley Adkisson is an automatic, systematic, dancing machine whose alter ego is a **product design leader** with **12+ years of experience** spanning world-class brands including **Samsung**, **Jeep**, **Citibank**, and **Mercedes-Benz**, to **complex aviation**, **data**, and **AI products** at **Cirium**.

Most recently, he **led UI/UX for an AI development team** at **Cirium**, turning complicated data and emerging technology into products that are intuitive to use. He's exceptionally skilled in bridging design and technology, creative problem solving, and collaboration. Most importantly, he knows how to make a design **'POP'**.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Initiated and established Evolve, Cirium's design system, now supporting Ascend, Diio, Sky, and Journey.
- Sole UX/UI designer for Propulsion Labs, Cirium's AI innovation team: 100+ AI concepts explored in three months, and the final product designed end to end.
- Mentored 6 designers and brought the broader team into design-systems practices.
- Designed and built rileyadkisson.com with AI-assisted development: FWA Site of the Day, CSS Winner Site of the Day, CSSDA Special Kudos.

WORK HISTORY

Senior Art Director | Lead UI/UX, AI Development 05/2022 to 09/2026
Cirium. London, UK (Remote)

CIRIUM

- Designed the strongest concepts from Propulsion Labs, Cirium's internal AI innovation team, for testing, and carried Evolve into the final product, partnering with engineers from concept to build.
- Led Evolve's rollout across products, mentoring the broader design team in design-system practices.
- Embedded within the Diio product team, evolving legacy experiences while introducing new product designs built on Evolve.
- Owned product design from early concept and user flows through high-fidelity UI and functional implementation, partnering directly with product managers, engineers, and business leaders.
- Used Figma and AI development tools, including Claude Code, to rapidly design, build, and iterate functional product experiences.

My website is a lot cooler than this...

Art Director 07/2019 to 05/2022
Razorfish. New York, NY

SAMSUNG, MERCEDES, JEEP, CITIBANK

- Led concepting and design across digital experiences and campaigns for global brands including Samsung, Mercedes-Benz, Jeep, and Citibank.
- Presented and defended creative concepts to internal teams, clients, and senior stakeholders.
- Partnered with UX, copy, development, and project teams to carry ideas from early concept through execution.

Associate Art Director 05/2017 to 07/2019
Razorfish, New York, NY

SAMSUNG, CITIBANK, NESTLE, SAVE THE FOOD

- Developed creative concepts and digital experiences across Samsung, Citibank, Nestlé, and Save the Food.
- Collaborated across design, copy, UX, development, and partner agencies from concept through production.
- Translated high-level creative direction into polished, brand-consistent experiences.

UI Designer 03/2015 to 05/2017
Razorfish, New York, NY

SAMSUNG, ASICS, SAP, SIMON

- Designed responsive websites, digital experiences, and campaign assets across Samsung, ASICS, SAP, and Simon.
- Translated brand guidelines, UX requirements, and creative direction into polished, production-ready interface designs.
- Collaborated with senior designers, UX, and development teams to maintain consistency across large-scale digital experiences.

Junior Designer 05/2014 to 03/2015
Crown Partners, New York, NY

SAP, SIMON, LA MER

- Designed digital experiences and campaign assets for brands including SAP, Simon, and La Mer.
- Built an early foundation in UI design, visual design, and art direction while working across multiple client accounts.

EDUCATION

Tribeca Flashpoint Academy, Chicago, Il
Associate of Applied Sciences, Videogame Design

I'VE GOT MAD SKILLS

Product Design • UI/UX Design • AI Product Design • Art Direction • Vibe Coding
Visual Design • Interaction Design • Design Systems • Product Strategy • Information Architecture
Data Visualization • Jiu Jitsu • Concept Development • Creative Problem Solving
Cross-Functional Collaboration • Mentorship • Figma • Claude Code • VS Code • GitHub • Adobe Creative Suite