Ignacio Urbina Polo Curriculum Vitae 2024

Curriculum Vitae

Education

1990-1993

Master in Product Engineering

Thesis: "Ergonomic aspects of Banking Automatization with a User Interface approach" School of Production and Systems Engineering Federal University of Santa Catarina, UFSC Florianopolis, Brazil

Scholarships / Researcher at LBDI Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES), Ministry of Education of Brazil The National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), Brazil

Fundación Instituto de Ingeniería, Venezuela

1983 - 1987

Industrial Design Degree

Instituto Antonio José de Sucre Caracas, Venezuela

Other Courses

1995

Workshop: Museum and Museography

Prof. Arq. Josep María Montaner 40 hours Museo de Arte Contemporáneo Caracas, Venezuela

1991

Color in Products

Prof. Petra Kellner 40 hours Brazilian Laboratory of Industrial Design LBDI Florianopolis, Brazil

1990

Design Management

Prof. Federico Hess 40 hours Brazilian Laboratory of Industrial Design LBDI Florianopolis, Brazil

1989

Rendering and Models

Prof. Jorge Gomez Abraham Specialization 100 hours Brazilian Laboratory of Industrial Design LBDI Florianopolis, Brazil

1988

Bionics Applied to Design

Prof. Fabricio Van den Broeck Specialization 200 hours Brazilian Laboratory of Industrial Design LBDI Florianopolis, Brazil

Academic and Teaching Experience

2022 - Present

Chairperson

Industrial Design Department School of Design - Pratt Institute Brooklyn, New York

2011 - 2022

Full time Faculty / Tenured Professor 2017

Undergraduate Studios Instructor / GID seminar Special projects / Sponsored Studios / Workshops / MID Master of Industrial Design Industrial Design Department School of Design - Pratt Institute Brooklyn, New York

MID Thesis advisor in:

(2023)

Mary Lempres

Reef Rocket: oyster reef structure grown from bio-cement, designed to promote citizen science monitoring and marine ecosystem restoration

Luo Shengbai

FlexLight Nesting Tables: Social engagement

Zihao Wang

Movy: The Mover Friendly Furniture

(2022)

Chenqi Zhang

Zero: body measurements for training

Elira Duro

Jemi Nje: We Are One / Digital immigrant facilitator tool

Guanbo (Bert) Liang

Bamboo Ready: A Furniture Formula

Ross Cameron

Wetwork: emergency system for floods in basements

Tengbo Rong

Tree detection tool for children

Yiting Liu

Muu: Comprehensive system for solitary bees in cities

(2021)

Naixin Kang

Remote Mourning & Online Funeral

Asad Jawed Ahmed

Pause and Reflect: Religion and Sustainability

Nan Zhou

Story "Characters", Chinese Language outside China

Yiming Ding

Desk Organizer System

Sophia Yimeng Sun

Watchya: Home Office motivation Tool

Jared Dalcourt

The Neu Normal CBD:

Alleviating Anxiety in the Post Pandemic Environment

(2020)

Alex Thompson

You Are Here: Navigating a City's Narrative

Angie Weixue Zhang

Embarrassment in Gynecology: Redesigning Orientation Kit

Jane Wei Chen Shih

Fresh Food Favor

Logan Good

Sustainable Way:

Cigarette Receptacles Supporting Sustainable Behavior

Martin Sombathy

CMC* Machinery: Creative Construction for Kids.

Tina Haiqi Yu

Phone-lift

(2019)

Alejandro Moyano S.

Empowering the Latin Undocumented Community

Through Design

Xinwei Tang

Sexual Violence: Re-approaching the Rape Kit

Josh Bird

Urban Showers: Hygiene In the Shared Economy

Brandon Terrier

Protein by fish

(2018)

Paul Gulla

Design for Parkinson.

Sylwia Karwowska

Street Cart as a Vehicle of Cultural Identity

Sam Cottom

Squandered Sparks

Kim, Richenna

Food on Airplanes

(2017)

Jonathan Roberts

The Helsinki Program:

an Office of American Design initiative

Caitlin McIver

Seeing inside myself:

children understanding leukemia through products

Alyssa Kuhns

Responsive boundaries: activating walls in domestic space

Tom Jamieson

En-gage: a proposal for scaffolding structures in NYC

Loreta Haaker

Tune Out: objects for mindful procrastination at work

Hannah Trimble

Mutualistic Design: Hudson and East rivers

John Jaminson

Luminaries for micro living spaces

(2016)

Seung Min Oh

Design for parents and pediatric patients in the hospital patient room

Alexis Burstein

Hot Flash: personal experiences in private and public

(2015)

Kate Neely

True to form

Sebastian Jacobo

Sensible geometry: information into physical form

Keith Holser

One moment please: creating unique moments within user/product interaction

Desireé Guedez

Do not touch: a visual and tactile experimentation

Sean Fogarty

Sight unseen: using anticipation to

create interest in an impending reveal

Megan Czaja

Subtle play: creating a playful adulthood

Woojin Chung

Metonymy design: "products inspired by nature"

(2014)

Sunnie Hwang

Calming distractions: a designer's approach to anxiety

Anthony Villanacci

Consider this: discovering experiential opportunity in product interactions

Juhi Solanki

On your own time

Alexander Smith

Pattern recognition:

exploring the use of ideal types as a design tool

Jennifer A. Parker

Softening the edges: an exploration of analog aesthetics, communication, and experience in the digital era

Leah Johnstone-Mosher

De-programming: from consumption to engagement

Lisa F. Dudley

Tracing light: capturing natural light's ephemeral and temporal qualities in the built environment

(2013)

Carolina Pabón-Escobar

Transformational connections

Claudia Carina Meyer

Sweat it out: running apparel for women

Daniel Greifinger

Expression through design:

armor, fashion, and the art of expression

Bonamici Thomas

kitchen

Fahmida Aguayo Small spaces smart solutions

Committees and Service at Pratt Institute:

Member of the Provost Council as ID Chair. 2023

The cook's dance: the choreography of the domestic

Graduate MID Selection Committee, 2012 - 2023

Elected Senate ID Representative, 2019 - 2022

Global Grad Show attendance Dubai, 2019

Chair, Search Committee Head of the Dept., 2015

Committee of Dismissal, 2015

Chair, Search Committee for Tenure-Track Faculty, 2015 / 19

Selection Student IDSA NYC, 2016 Sophomore New Curriculum Development, 2016

ID Curriculum Committee, 2017 - 2022

Exhibition for NASAD and Middle State NYC, for the National Accreditation of the ID program, 2015 / 2018

2014

2012

Visiting Professor / Master Curriculum Reviewer

Residence Program - School of Industrial Design Jorge Tadeo Lozano University

Bogotá, Colombia

Assessment Expert

Design by Experience - PhD Thesis

Methods and Techniques in Industrial and Graphic Design Doctoral Program - Polytechnic University of Valencia

Valencia, Spain

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2011

Expert Collaboration

The Kaleidoscope Project Engage by Design, Sustainable Design Research University of Brighton Brighton, England

2004 - 2010

General Director

Prodiseño

School of Visual Communication and Design Caracas, Venezuela

2010

Visiting Professor

Design Studio / Master in Product Development. Industrial Design School of Los Andes University Mérida, Venezuela Polytechnic University of Valencia Valencia, Spain

2007

Visiting Professor

Senior Course: Biomimetics Industrial Design School of Los Andes University Mérida, Venezuela

1996 - 2010

Professor

Junior Design Studio Design, 1996 - 2010 Senior Capstone Studio, 2000 - 2010 Advisory Board Member, 2010 - Present Member of the Director's Board, 1999 - 2010 Prodiseño - School of Visual Communication and Design Caracas, Venezuela

Work Experience. Selected Projects

2018

Betterbin Design Competition

Collaboration with Combo Colab New York City, US

2016 - 2018

Head of Design / Advisor

Design for Elderly Products Nuverzs Miami, US

2014

Independent Industrial Designer

Scopio. FotoCheck USB, Product Design T&T International Group Caracas, Venezuela Miami, US

2010 - 2013

Invited Designer / Advisor

Industrial Design Projects.

Mobility + Advanced Design Expertise [MADE]
Buenos Aires, Argentina

2014

Design Consultant

Industrial design and ergonomic aspects, as part of a semiotics study for a product. Space Doctors London, England

2007 - 2023

Member and Founder / Advisory Committee

Iberoamerican Design Biennial. Madrid, Spain

2002 - 2007

Founder and Co-editor

www.objetual.com Venezuelan Design Network Caracas, Venezuela

2005 - 2010

Industrial Design Coordinator

National Architectural and Design Museum National Museums Foundation - Ministry of Culture Caracas, Venezuela

2002

Industrial Design Advisor

Caracas Science Museum Caracas, Venezuela

1999 - 2011

Founder, Partner, and Project Director

Metaplug Design Studio and Product Development Caracas, Venezuela

Selected Projects:

Signage Systems, UCV - Edelca. Newspaper Kiosks, Bigott.

Habitacles Petroleum Traveling Exhibition, Pdvsa.

Commercial Trolley.

Restaurant Design: SOMA Café, Destefano Café. Public and street market trucks and display. Urban Display: Scientific Exposition, Science Museum of Caracas.

1993 –1997

Independent Industrial Designer

Selected Projects in Collaboration:

Signage System and Exterior Surfaces, 1997 Collaboration with Arch. Marcel Erminy Hydroelectrical Complex Macagua II, Edelca - Corporación Venezolana de Guayana [CVG] Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela

Surveillance Cabin System, 1996
Experimental Construction Institute of Construction
Development [IDEC]
Central University of Venezuela
Unesco World Heritage - Architecture
Caracas, Venezuela

Newspaper Kiosk Concept, 1996 Urban Furniture Competition for Coro and La Vela Unesco World Heritage - Cities Collaboration with Arch. Marcel Erminy Runner-up Caracas, Venezuela

Exhibition, 1995

'Behind the objects: Venezuelan Industrial Design' Curation and Exhibition Design Co-Curator Arq. Alberto Sato Collaboration with Arch. Marcel Erminy Centro de Arte La Estancia - PDVSA. Caracas, Venezuela

Signage System, 1993 Caracas Botanical Garden Fundación Jardín Botánico de Caracas Sponsored: Fundación Empresas Polar Caracas, Venezuela

1987 – 1993

Designer - Researcher

Brazilian Laboratory of Industrial Design - LBDI National Council of Research and Development Florianopolis, Brazil Activities: Product design and development, Design Research, design events organization. Selected Projects:

Automatic Newspaper Seller, Children Plates Kit, Integrated Communication System (Resp. Gui Bonsiepe Competition "Design The Future" Japan 1991),

Odontologic Chair, Urban Furniture, Research on artisanal boats from southern Brazil, Protection Gear and Equipment, Wood tools, etc.

1990 – 1992

Thesis Advisor / Expert

Master of Mechanical Engineering Laboratory of Prototypes. Prof. Nelson Back Santa Catarina Federal University UFSC Florianopolis, Brazil

Selected Lectures, Talks

2023

At the Edges of Industrial Design

Industrial Design Graduate program UNAM CDMX, Mexico

Ecology of products, Techno-nature, and Bio-narratives

DAE Diseño Argentino Exponencial British Council and Fundación Bunge y Born Buenos Aires, Argentina

Industrial Design at Pratt Institute

Escuela de Diseño Universidad Católica de Chile Facultad de Arquitectura, Arte y Diseño Universidad Diego Portales Santiago, Chile

At the Edges of Industrial Design: Industrial Design and Space

Diplomado "La Arquitectura como Profesión Hoy STA / FAU - UCV Caracas, Venezuela

2022

Humanless Objects

Posthumanism Lecture Series Columbia University New York, US

Objects in the Hacienda: Vision and Future

Hacienda la Trinidad Parque Cultural Caracas, Venezuela

The body, objects, and space

Design School UCAB - Universidad Católica Andrés Bello Caracas, Venezuela

2021

Singular Insipience

Notes on Industrial Design in Venezuela The Bartlett School of Architecture / UCL London, UK

El Proyecto y la Emergencia: Notas sobre Futuro y Diseño

Inaugural Conference Isthmus University, School of Architecture and Design Panama City, Panama

2020

Design, Emergency and Future

dRD Inaugural Conference of the Design Biennial Sto Domingo, Dominican Republic

2019

Design for the Context or Critical Form

FAU-UCV / Hacienda la Trinidad Parque Cultural / Prodiseño Caracas, Venezuela

2018

Design Issues

TEC de Monterrey Campus Guadalajara Guadalajara, Mexico

Design Tensions

Design School ARTEDIEZ Iberoamerican Design Biennial BID18 Madrid, Spain

5 atractores del Diseño en la Ciudad

Challenge de Once a Once Iberoamerican Design Biennial BID18 Madrid, Spain

Industrial Design in Tension

School of Architecture FAU Universidad Central de Venezuela - UCV Caracas, Venezuela

El Diseño Industrial y la Innovación en lo cotidiano

IESA Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administración Caracas, Venezuela

Territorio de las Ideas en lo Cotidiano

EXPOMODII 2018 Panama City, Panama

2016

Design Attractors

ESNE University of Design, Innovation and Technology Madrid, Spain

Territories of Design

Centro de Arte Los Galpones Caracas, Venezuela

2015

Design Scenarios

School of Industrial Design, EAFIT University Medellín, Colombia

The Territory of Ideas

School of Architecture, Art, and Design Rafael Landíver University Guatemala City, Guatemala

Territories of Industrial Design

School of Architecture TAMU Texas A&M University Texas, US

Design Spaces

Dual Residences - Lecture Series MAD The Museum of Art and Design New York, US

2014

The Territory of Ideas

School of Design Catholic University Asunción Asunción, Paraguay

Territory of ideas

School of Design Jorge Tadeo Lozano University Bogotá, Colombia

The Field of design ideas

Architecture Week - Intermittent Realities School of Architecture Simón Bolivar University Caracas, Venezuela

2013

Spaces of Design

Elisava School of Design Barcelona, Spain

Living Design

Organization and Scientific Committee Isthmus University, School of Design Panamá City, Panamá

Spaces for Design

World Industrial Design Day Lectures - WDO / ICSID Antonio José de Sucre Technological Institute School of Industrial Design Caracas, Venezuela

2012

Design: Practice, Teaching and Promoting

Morphogenesis Congress School of Industrial Design - Veritas University San José, Costa Rica

2011

Critical Scenarios for Design

A+D Conecta Design School of Architecture and Industrial Design Pereira Catholic University Pereira, Colombia

Design Practice

CEDIM SummerStars
Centro de Estudios Superiores de Diseño de Monterrey
School of Industrial Design
Monterrey, Mexico

2010

Doing Design: Industrial Design in Venezuela

School of Arts and Humanities - Industrial Design Pamplona University Pamplona, Colombia

Areas of Action and Fields of Design

Diarquitec Congress Innovation and Sustainability Margarita, Venezuela

2009

Everyday Complexity

Live Innovation Forum - Design Avenue ICSID - TEC School of Industrial Design Monterrey Institute of Technology Monterrey, Mexico

2008

Venezuelan Design

Round Table - Iberoamerican Design Biennial Madrid, Spain

2007

Social Design: Three Areas in Venezuela

Social Design International Forum Instituto D'Amanha São Paulo, Brazil

Virtual Objects: A path of the Atoms to Bits

I National Meeting of Research in Architecture, Graphic Design and Urbanism - Universidad del Zulia Maracaibo, Venezuela

2006

Virtual Objects | PD 15

Latin American Congress on Design Education Palermo University Buenos Aires, Argentina

Deciding on the table:

Experiences on negotiating design projects

1st. Meeting for the Industrial Designer School of Industrial Design - Los Andes University Mérida, Venezuela

Practice of Industrial Design

CIEM Encounter of Science and Industry Eureka Foundation Caracas, Venezuela

2005

Industrial Design in Venezuela Facing the XXI Century

'We are the Best' Congress El Carabobeño Newspaper Valencia, Venezuela

Virtual Objects

Inter-institutional Meeting of Industrial Design Industrial Design School of Los Andes University Mérida, Venezuela Polytechnic University of Valencia Valencia, Spain

2003

Industrial Design Portafolio Venezuela

INTEC Technological Institute of Santo Domingo St. Domingo, Dominican Republic

2001

From Object to Interface

Design Congress - Universidad del Zulia Maracaibo, Venezuela

Is it possible to do Design?

Innovation and Product Design Conindustria - National Confederation of Industries Caracas, Venezuela

Participation in Workshops, Panels, Boards, Reviews

2023

Round Table

Design: WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Design Schools - Universities SaloneSatellite / Salone del Mobile Milano, Italy

Curriculum Reviewer

Industrial Design Program Otis School of Art and Design Los Angeles, US

Expert Reviewer

Revista 180 Universidad Diego Portales Santiago, Chile

2021

Event Opening Words

Innovation Round Table Moderator

Member of Scientific Committee 9th Education and Design Summit Iberoamerican Design Biennial Madrid, Spain

Design of Our World Series A conversation between 3 Design School

Coordinator Pratt Institute / NYC, US ENSCI Les Ateliers / Paris, France PUCPe / Lima, Peru

Member of the External Career Council

School of Industrial Design Pontificia Universidad Católica de Perú - PUCPe Lima, Peru

2020

Challenge: Design for the Elderly

A project with 35 design schools Coordinator. Iberoamerican Design Biennial BID20 Madrid, Spain

Proyecta56 An Industrial Design Journal

Scientific Committee Member and Advisor Universidad de Cádiz Malaga, Spain

Practice, Education and Dissemination

Advocacy in Design Pratt Virtual Scholars Panel organized by the School of Design for the 15th International Conference on Design Principles & Practices Brooklyn, NY

2019

Workshop: Biofutures

School of Design / School of Engineering TEC de Monterrey, Campus Toluca Toluca, Mexico

2018

Workshop: Academic Leaders Program

School of Architecture, Art, and Design TEC de Monterrey Campus Guadalajara Guadalajara, Mexico

Taller del Mar International Workshop

Isthmus University, School of Design San Blas Kuna indigenous community Panama City, Panama

2018

Dialogues - Round Table

Design of Sustainable Solutions Spain Embassy Havana, Cuba

Hyper Hybrid

Invited Professor / Co-Teach w/ Constantin Boym WantedDesign's Design School workshop forceMAJEURE - Industry City Brooklyn, US

2016

Bicycle Alive

12 International Design Workshop Isthmus University, School of Architecture and Design Panama City, Panama

2015

International workshop

Innovation: nature and Design Department of Engineering and Product Design School of Engineering EAFIT University Medellín, Colombia

Biomimicry Workshop

School of Design and Architecture Rafael Landíver University Guatemala City, Guatemala

2014

Nature in Design Workshop

School of Design Catholic University of Asunción Asunción, Paraguay

Organization / Member of Scientific Committee

Iberoamerican Design Biennial BID Madrid, Spain

2013

The Container, International Workshop

Ishtmus University, School of Architecture and Design Panama City, Panama

Biomimicry Fundamentals

Elisava School of Design Barcelona, Spain

2012

Biomimicry and Design

Morphogenesis Congress Veritas University, School of Design San José, Costa Rica

2009

Invited Project Leader

Design Avenue - Interdesign MTY '09 WDO - World Design Organization ICSID - International Council of Societies of Industrial Design School of Architecture, Art, and Design Tecnológico de Monterrey Monterrey, Mexico

Jury Member. Exhibition Curatorship

2021

NoMATERIA 2020: Balance

Curation, Organization and Design Venezuela Industrial Design Exhibition Brooklyn, US

2021

Terium Caracas Competition:

Buildable ideas to park bicycles at FAU - UCV Member of the Jury Caracas, Venezuela

2019

BID ve2019

Traveling Exhibition - Iberoamerican Design Biennial

Curation, Organization Hacienda la Trinidad Parque Cultural Caracas, Venezuela

2017

NoMATERIA 2012 - 2017: Build the Future

Curation, Organization and Design Venezuela Industrial Design Exhibition Pratt Institute / Brooklyn, US 7 al Cubo Store / Caracas, Venezuela

New World Exhibition:

Visions through the Ibero-American Design Biennial 2008 - 2016

Selection Board Member MUDE Design and Fashion Museum Lisbon, Portugal

2014

Observeur du Design Awards

International Expert Jury National Design Awards APCI Agence pour la Promotion de la Création Industrielle Paris, France

2012

NoMATERIA Exhibition

Museo de la Estampa y el Diseño Carlos Cruz-Diez Design Exhibition / Curator Caracas, Venezuela

"Caracas a Pedal"

Member of the Jury Ideas for the use of bicycles in Caracas Mayor of Caracas Office Caracas, Venezuela

2007 - 2010

Competition "The young industrial designer"

Member of the Jury Eureka Foundation. Caracas, Venezuela

2002 - 2007

Design Excellence Brazil 2010

Selection Board Member Curitiba, Brazil

2001

Pulso Design Selection

An inventory of Design made in Venezuela Printed and on-line publication Complot Magazine / www.objetual.com Caracas, Venezuela

1998

Student Competition "The product of the Millennium"

Member of the Jury BP / PDVSA Caracas, Venezuela

Published Articles, Selected Texts

2023

Talleres de trabajo experimental en Biomimética en Pratt Institute

Book: MAP RESEARCH BIONICS Transdisciplinary Ecosystems in Bionics, Biodesign and Biomimicry: Scientific and technological aspects for a design culture. Edited by Amilton Arruda / Blucher São Paulo, Brazil

Design in the Posthuman

Papel Literario El Nacional newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

2022

Narrative, form, interdiscipline and future in design teaching

Design and Creation Observatory School of Architecture and Design Jorge Tadeo Lozano University Bogotá, Colombia

2019

Social design as a Relevant Discourse

'Unfolding: Education and Design for Social Innovation' Publication by University CENTRO Mexico City, Mexico

2017

Tension in the Borders

Commissioned text for the catalog of the exhibition New World - Visions through the Ibero-American Design Biennial. 2008-2016 MUDE Design and Fashion Museum Lisbon, Portugal

2014 - 2015

Design articles - Collaborator

Proyecta 56 - Design Magazine Pratt: The Forms of the Things, 2015 The DIY: From protest to disruptive design, 2014 Málaga, Spain

2014

Visible Territory

Commissioned text for the catalog of the exhibition Iberoamerican Design Biennial BID14 Madrid, Spain

2013

NoMATERIA: the value of industrial design

Disclosure experiences in digital media Journal of Communication N°157 - Indexed Publication Venezuela Studies of Communication Caracas, Venezuela

Design Articles - Associated Editor

Too much "less is more"
Territory of the idea
Ecology of artifacts
Design: the future container
MONO - Art and Design Magazine
Caracas, Venezuela

2012 - 2014

Articles - Collaborator

The Sugar Lab:

3D Print and geometric dosage of sugar. 2014 Flare Line: Space Engineering in the design of pots and pans. 2014

Space Engineering in the design of pots and pans. 2014
Industrial Design: NoMATERIA. 2012
Paladares - Gastronomic Magazine
Margarita, Venezuela

2012

Know and Calculate the Reality: 5 Points

DNI18 - International Design Magazine El Clarín Newspaper Buenos Aires, Argentina

Teaching Design: Actions in Real Time

4to. Meeting of Teaching and Design Iberoamerican Design Biennial Catalog Madrid, Spain

2011

Decalogue

75 Decalogues from Latino-American Designers Proyecto Diseño - Design and Architectural Magazine Bogotá, Colombia

Design articles - Collaborator

Miniaturization: design operations Topography of objects Interfaces: space for design Experimenta Design Magazine Madrid, Spain

2008

Design to the Limit ; What is Industrial Design?

City of Sun Magazine ISSN: 1856-8297 Articles - Editorial Committee Member National Architectural Museum Caracas, Venezuela

2006

Virtual objects. A path of the atoms to Bits

Proceedings of Design ISSN 1850-2032 1st. Latin American Design Meeting Palermo University Buenos Aires, Argentina

2002 - 2004

Articles - Collaborator

Visual Communication and Objects. 2004 Profession: Industrial Designer. 2003 The Curves in Design. 2002 Logotipos - Design Magazine Caracas, Venezuela

1996 - 1997

Articles - Collaborator Venezuela hidden behind the industrial design. 1996 Graphics on Products. 1997 Estilo - Art and Design Magazine Caracas, Venezuela

1994 - 1997

Editorial Committee Member / Collaborator

Architecture and Design Section Economy Today - National Newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

Selected articles:

Industrial design and product semantics, 1994
Tomás Maldonado: Design in the Third World, 1994
Rethinking the environment is also a design task, 1994
Industrial Design in Brazil, 1994
Bionics: rescue of natural systems, 1994
Ergonomics takes a new direction, 1994

Yellow Pages Endeavour: Floating Mill, 1994

Diversity is not Adversity, 1994 Where is the traffic light?, 1994 Research and design:

an experience of Applied Bionics, 1994

Curves of Design, 1995

Piracy, 1995 Hot Air, 1995

Industrial design: a multidirectional aspect, 1996

Small Objects, 1996

Street furniture: some considerations, 1997

Selected Media, Press

2023

Pratt Shows 2023:

Pratt Institute Graduates at New York

Design Week by Luján Cambariere Experimenta Magazine Madrid, Spain

2020

Let's humanize "the user"

Interview by Fanny Krivoy Project Inclusion series by Studio Analogous New York, US

NoMATERIA

The wide range of Venezuelan industrial design

Cinco8 Journal Caracas, Venezuela

2019

Interview to Ignacio Urbina Polo

Interview by Nelson Rivera El Nacional newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

2018

Curatorship, Art, and Design (II): NoMATERIA

by Humberto Valdivieso El Nacional newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

Opening Reception

NoMATERIA 2012-2017 / Build the Future Pratt Institute News Brooklyn, US

2017

HyperHybrid Workshop

The 2017 WantedDesign International Student Workshop core77.com New York, US

2015

Interview: Designing with Limited Resources

Inset: Health up Today. El Nacional Newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

Interview: The beauty of the useful

Sunday Magazine. El Nacional Newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

2014

Interview: Dissident

Proyecto Diseño - Design and Architectural Magazine Bogotá, Colombia

2013

Review: NoMATERIA, Mapping of Design and National Industry

Habitat Plus - Design Magazine. Vol. 6 - N°51 Caracas, Venezuela

2012

Interview: An art in a career

Habitat Plus - Design Magazine. Vol. 5 - N°44 Caracas, Venezuela

2011

Interview: From industrial design impetus to the rise of objects author

Spaces Insert. El Nacional Newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

2010

Elastic design: Portfolio 2010

Brilliant minds Club Magazine Vol. 10 N°48 Valencia, Venezuela

Ignacio Urbina: Innovative Prototype

CG Latin Magazine Caracas, Venezuela

Interview: Design to Live Better

Inset: Health up Today. El Nacional Newspaper Caracas, Venezuela

Interview: Ignacio Urbina from Venezuela

Latin American Design Network by Jorge Montaña Bogotá, Colombia

2007

Iberoamerican designers share a common space for dialogue Iberoamerican Design Biennial

Logotipos - Design Magazine Caracas, Venezuela

2005

Interview: When the design looks in an absolute way

analitica.com portal by Nayrobis Rodríguez DecoNews - Design and Architecture Magazine Caracas, Venezuela

2002

Magazine Kiosk

Projects by Metaplug DecoNews - Design and Architecture Magazine Caracas, Venezuela

2001

Metaplug: a Venezuelan Industrial Design Studio

Logotipos - Design Magazine. Vol. 1 N°5 Caracas, Venezuela

Professional Membership Affiliations

Since 2023

ID Ibero-American Design Association

Founder member

Since 2019

IDSA - Industrial Designers Society of America

Other Activities

2009 - Present

www.di-conexiones.com

Founder and Principal Editor A resource platform for industrial design Caracas, Venezuela / Brooklyn, US

2006 - 2009

Piano Classes

Instructors:
Jazz pianist Antonio Mazzei
Academic pianist Adela Barreto

Caracas, Venezuela

2004 - 2007

Musical Theory, Harmony, and Assembly Courses

Caracas Jazz School / Taller de Jazz Caracas Caracas, Venezuela

2004 - 2005

Saxophone Theory and practice courses

IUDEM. Superior Institute of Musical Studies Instructor: Saxofonist Pablo Gil Caracas, Venezuela

Languages

Spanish: Native language

English: Fluent Portuguese: Fluent Italian: Limited working French: Limited working German: Elementary



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