# ANKIT GANDHI

## XR DESIGNER

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## Experience

**Samsung Research Institute Bangalore | Virtual Internship** *Jul - Aug 2024*

- Conducted research to explore novel use cases for avatars in XR environments, ensuring user-centered solutions.
- Engaged in brainstorming, ideation and helped generate innovative design solutions for avatar integration.
- Collaborated on UX design, contributing to the creation of immersive interfaces that enhanced avatar interactions.
- Created 3D models, ensuring assets aligned with both visual and functional requirements.
- Developed and refined prototypes in Unity to test and refine avatar interactions within the XR space.

**Sarg Design Studio | XR Research Intern** *Jun - Jul 2024*

- Researched XR technology to improve BIM model presentations for clients.
- Tested AR methods for accurate and user-friendly BIM model displays.
- Developed AR prototypes to explore XR's impact on architectural design viewing.

**Freelance Photographer** *2015 - 2023*

- Freelanced as a photographer with a focus on fashion, product and conceptual photography.
- Specialized in light painting photography, creating innovative and visually striking projects.
- Produced documentary-style photography and videography projects, telling visual stories.

## Education

**MIT Institute of Design** (M. Des Immersive Media Design) *2023 - 2025*

**Rachana Sansad College of Applied Art & Craft** (BFA Applied Art) *2015 - 2019*

## Skills

**Professional**

- XR - UX/UI
- AR/VR/MR
- IoT (Arduino)
- Unity, Unreal Engine
- 3D Modelling (Blender)
- Prototyping (Figma, ShapesXR)
- AR SDKs (Vuforia, ARCore, ARKit)

**Personal**

- Adaptability & Learning
- Visual Storytelling
- Communication
- Team Player
- Attention to Detail
- Creative Problem-Solving
- Light Painting Photography

## Recognition

**Communication Arts Guild Award (CAG)** *2018*
CAG Best Portfolio Communication Design

**Bombay Art Society All India Art Exhibition** *2021*
Exhibited Photographic Work