

COMMUNICATING WITH POWERFUL VISUALS

Convey ideas, enhance experiences, and challenge norms with powerful visuals



ENHANCE EXPERIENCES

Present challenges as opportunities to teach, engage, and impact.

CONVEY IDEAS

Designing visuals that inform, influence, and change opinions.

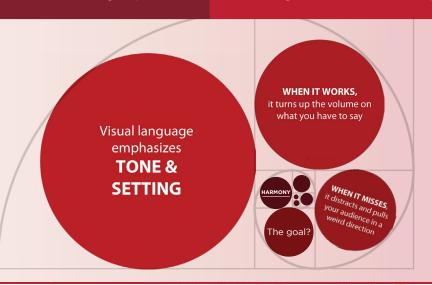
CHALLENGE NORMS

Break out of comfort zones and view things from a different angle.

VISUAL LANGUAGE

Visual language is a communications system that utilizes visual elements as a form of expression.

This includes but is not limited to words, images, graphics, colors, shapes, textures; anything that you can see and visually process. This can even be expanded to conceptual elements, like feelings or thoughts; the emotions that something visual can elicit are key elements of a visual language.



QUALITIES OF GOOD FEEDBACK

SPECIFIC

"This isn't what I imagined 'elegant' would look like. Here's a reference image.

We especially like the large amount of empty space, and thin, cursive font."

GOAL-ORIENTED

"It's feeling a little muted, a brighter color scheme might appeal more to our young audience."

PERSONAL OPINION

"I'm personally not a fan of that font, it doesn't feel on brand. Can we see a different version?"

TRUST THE PROCESS

KICK-OFF CURATE

- IDEATE
- COLLABORATE
- WRAP

PRINT

- Establish goals for visual
- Identify resources already available
- Determine important ideas, features, or connections
- Focus on refining visuals for a polished final product
- Gather inspiration for the kind of visual wanted
- Keep audience in mind
- Provide very specific feedback
- Align print and distribution timelines
- · Reflect on what can be refined for efficiency next time



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