MARLENE GIACOMAZZO

TECHNICAL DESIGNER | FASHION DESIGNER | PATTERN-MAKER

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Creative Technical Designer and Founder of upcycling brand MG2183, with 8+ years of experience across garment construction, pattern-making, and styling, translating creative concepts into high-quality, sustainable garments. Graduated from Fashion School in Paris, I bring a sharp eye for fit, precision in CAD development, and a passion for storytelling through design. I specialize in denim, activewear, outerwear, and jersey, blending traditional technique with cultural edge.

Founder | Designer | Technical Designer | Pattern-Maker

MG 2183 | Los Angeles, CA

May 2023 - Present

- Design and produce original upcycled garments blending streetwear energy with high-end construction
- Build detailed CADs and tech packs translating deconstructed silhouettes into production-ready specs
- Lead fittings and pattern adjustments to ensure sharp fit and silhouette integrity
- Oversee 1-of-1 development from sourcing to final sample
- Delivered a capsule collection to American Rag Cie

Technical Designer | Chief Product Officer | Pattern-Maker

OYA Femtech Apparel | Los Angeles, CA

May 2022 - November 2024

- Innovative Product Design: Created and led the development of health-focused apparel with patented technology that increased sales by 65%
- Technical Expertise: Developed **CADs**, **patterns**, and **tech packs** with precision, supporting efficient sample-making and production processes, reduced production time by 50%. Developed 7+ tech packs per season with 97% first-fit approval
- Production Manager: Provided strategic oversight in production scheduling, quality control, and inventory management, ensuring creative vision aligns with production capacity
- **Key Cross-functional Partner:** Served as a vital collaborator across creative, marketing, design and production
- **Trend Analysis** & Market Insight: Applied trend forecasting to align products with emerging market demands, positioning the brand at the forefront of innovation in the femtech space

Technical Designer | Pattern-Maker | Upcycling Consultant

Pattern Making | Sustainable Product Development Los Angeles, CA | August 2013 - Present

- Collaborative Development with artists, creatives and designers (Prayingg, Equilibre, Lisa LeStrange...) to deliver full technical design packages (Sketches, CAD, pattern-making, and build detailed tech pack)
- Lead **fit sessions** and advise on **garment construction** adjustments (Oversee sampling, fitting, sourcing, and vendor communication from prototype to delivery)
- Consult on grading and block development for production runs

XPERIENCE

Fashion Designer | Stylist | Chief Product

Bobo House | Los Angeles, CA

August 2013 - December 2015

- Vendors and Production Liaison: maintained clear communication to ensure timely, quality production, balancing creative design with practical logistics. Maintained sampling calendars and PO systems
- Technical Expertise: built detailed tech packs and ensured accuracy through pre-production QC
- checks
 - Conducted fittings with creative director and patternmakers, adjusting specs for consistency
- Brand Stylist: cross-functional team collaboration to execute photoshoots and promotional
- campaigns, elevating brand imagery and product visibility

Style Director | Fashion Stylist

Freelance | Los Angeles, US | Paris, FR | London, UK | New York, US 2008 - Present

- Directed the Creative Development of visually striking editorial spreads, e-commerce catalogs, campaigns, lookbooks, videos, and press events, ensuring alignment with brand identity and storytelling
- Led large-scale editorial shoots and runway productions, expertly managing planning, logistics, and on-set art direction to achieve flawless execution and impactful results
- **Collaborated** with renowned photographers and creative team to transform visionary concepts into **impactful advertising campaigns** that resonated with target audiences
- **Streamlined sample coordination** and cultivated strong relationships with PR teams and designer showrooms, ensuring access to exclusive pieces and **fostering seamless collaboration**
- Main Clients: Dazed&Confused Magazine, WAD, Paul&Joe, Chris Habana

Community & Leadership

Bee A Little Better | Board Member | Los Angeles, CA December 2023 - Present

- Serve on the board of a nonprofit dedicated to weekly outreach and meal distribution to 150+ Skid Row residents in Los Angeles
- Coordinate and train volunteers and logistics for hygiene kits and food distribution
- Illustrator | Photoshop | Indesign
- Excel | Google Sheets | PLM
- Sketches | CAD | Tech pack development
- Pattern-making | Grading | Pattern alterations
- Garment Construction | BOM | Fitting | Fit notes
- Fabric behavior | Material sourcing

- English | fluent
- French | native
- B.A in FASHION DESIGN 2005 L'Institut Supérieur des Arts Appliqués, Paris, France
- Specialized in Fashion Design & Pattern-making
- B.A of FINE ARTS PREPARATORY DEGREE 2003 L.I.S.A.A, Paris, France
- Baccalauréat with Honors 2002, Dourdan, France

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