

DESIGN PORTFOLIO

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I am Anusha Raichur, an Indian Graphic Designer and illustrator based out of Baltimore, USA.

With a background as a project manager, senior graphic designer, communications specialist and illustrator in the education and social non-profit sector, I have developed a strong foundation in delivering unique hand-drawn designs + illustrations across various media channels. I obtained an MA in Illustration from the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) in 2022.

I enjoy experimenting with color, type, patterns, 3D design, GIFs, inforgraphics and more recently, an obsession with drawing dogs and cats! I find themes around mental health, LGBTQ+ wellness and human connections particularly intriguing. I am a published illustrator and a soon to be published Children's Books illustrator.

Having accumulated over six years of experience working with creative leads and following strategic brand guidelines, I have honed my expertise in Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, Procreate, Mailchimp, WordPress, and other design tools. I am passionate about visual storytelling and thrive in collaborative work environments.

Currently, I am also working as an Art Teacher and Facilitator with Art with a Heart, an education non-profit based out of Baltimore. I actively explore Art curriculum based learning for children and I am an active volunteer with their After School Programme. I teach crafts, drawing techniques and disseminate complex art concepts for children from less privileged backgrounds.

When I'm not illustrating, I'm either whipping up an elaborate Indian meal or notoriously curled up on my couch watching everything on TV.

Within this portfolio, you will discover a comprehensive showcase of my design work. If you are interested in exploring my illustrations, I invite you to visit my website, conveniently accessible via the link provided on the cover page.

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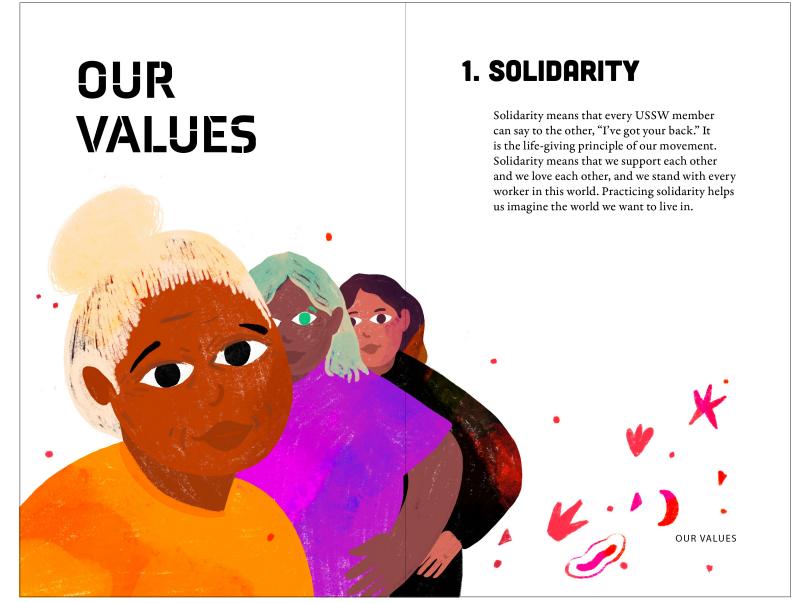


Fig 1: Design & illustration For USSW's booklet - "We are USSW: Organize the South.

Union of Southern Service Workers (USSW) Design & Illustration

THE South

We still have the lowest union rates in the country

The South is where we call home. Poverty is deep in the South. The South is where Black slaves worked the fields so that white plantation owners could be rich. The South is where unions have been pushed out, and wages have been pushed down.

The history of the South is also the history of resistors, freedom fighters, and revolutionary workers! Throughout Southern history, worker unity was a threat to the system. So to protect the South's Jim Crow economy, they passed laws to make it harder for Black and Southern workers to organize unions.

And that's still true today!

Today, we still have the lowest union rates in the country. And bosses are still doing their best to keep us separated along race lines — because they don't want us to come together and unionize.

Union of Southern Service Workers (USSW) Design & Illustration

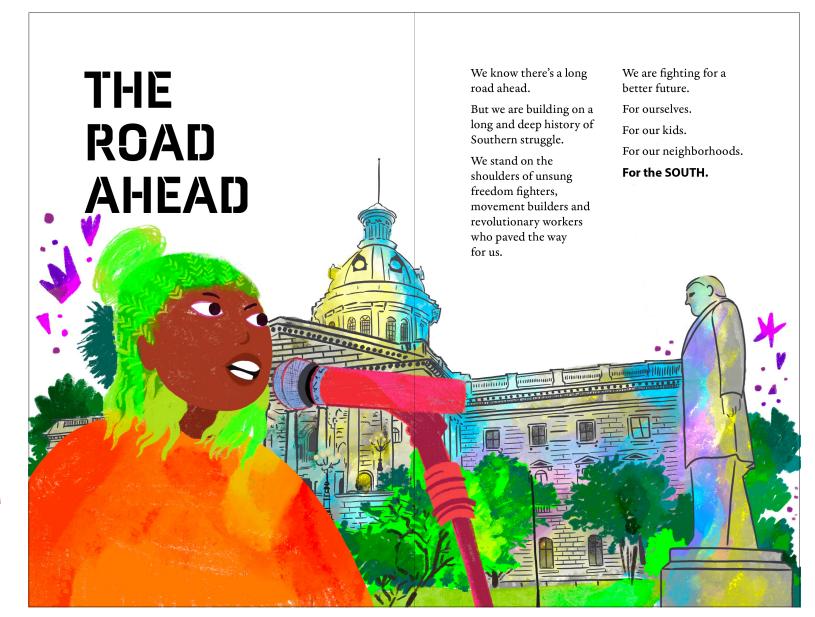


Fig 3: Design & illustration For USSW's booklet - "We are USSW: Organize the South.

Union of Southern Service Workers (USSW) Design & Illustration



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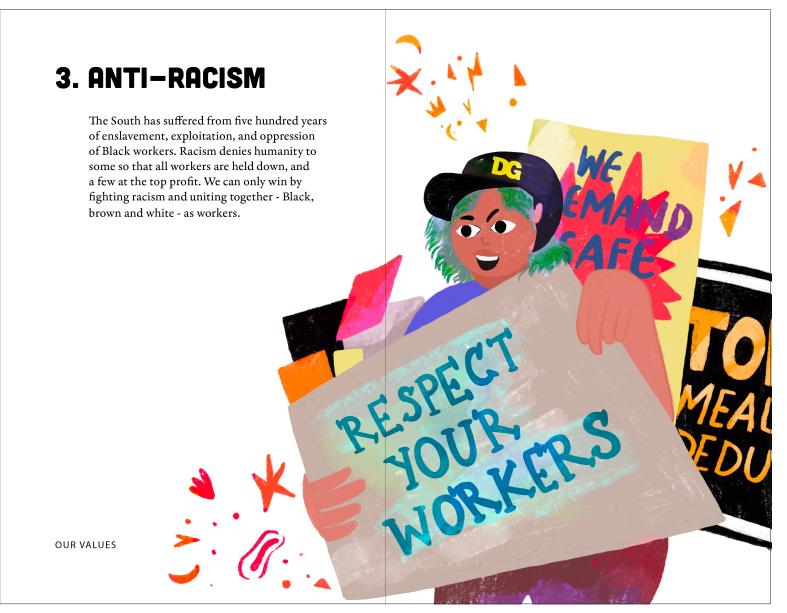
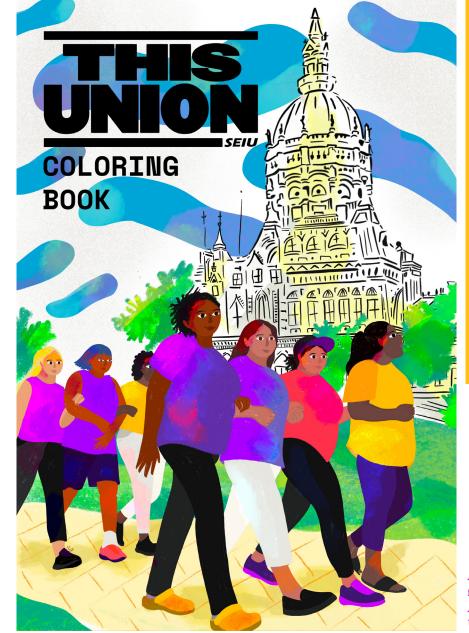


Fig 5: Design & illustration For USSW's booklet - "We are USSW: Organize the South.

Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Design & Illustration



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SEIU is uniting millions of working people to build the beautiful future we envision. A future where society is just and equitable, and where the economy, our democracy, and our environment is healthy because working people have a voice on the job and in their communities.

A future where everyone belongs - white, Black or Brown, - and where our solidarity across race and space creates shared prosperity for all - not just the wealthy elite.

Climate change, inhumane immigration systems, and rising authoritarianium threaten this vision far a Just Society. But our 100-year movement is ushering in a new era of worker power, uniting millions in collective action and rewriting the rules for those who've been written out. By winning worker power and political power, this Union will address these challenges and create the future we all want.

Fig 1 (left): Cover Design & illustration of a colouring book for SEIU's convention - "This Union" *Fig 2 (top right):* Content inside the booklet with the "This Union" logo in several languages.

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Nobel Coffee Makers Design, Illustration & Branding



Fig 2: Mock up of the coaster 9

Fig 1:

Mock up of the coffee to-go cup

BRANDING





Nobel Coffee Makers Design, Illustration & Branding

Reimagining the branding, design, and illustration for Nobel Coffee Makers in Goa, India, my illustrative approach for this project was inspired by the brand's deep connection to nature and its playful essence.

Fig 3 (left): Mock up of the coffee packets

Fig 4 (bottom right): Details from the illustrations



Illustration & Branding & Packaging Jaanvar Inc.



BRANDING

Fig 1: Design & illustration on assignment in MICA."Jaanvar Inc.," is a sustainable Indian men's brand. The name "Jaanvar" means animal.

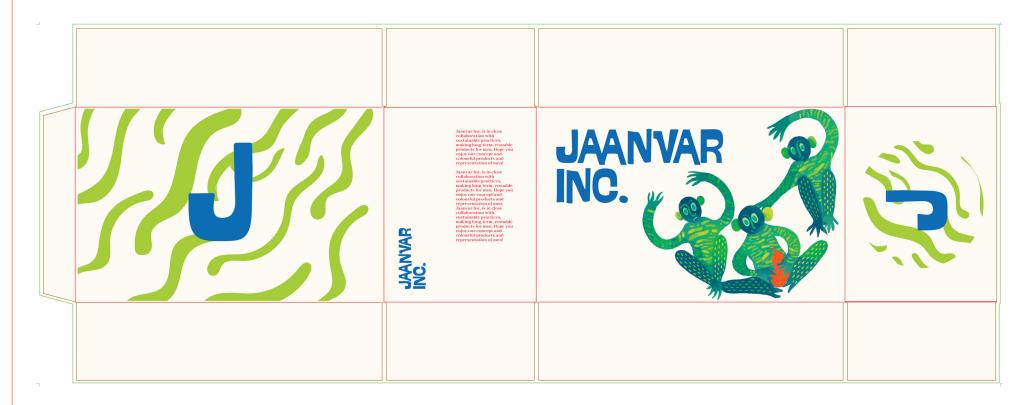


Fig 2 (top left): Alternate Logo for "Jaanvar Inc." to be used on their face cream bottles. *Fig 3 (top right):* Alternate logo to be used as an offcial letter head *Fig 4 (bottom right):* Mock-up on a box made of sustainable material to meet Jaanvar Inc.'s eco-friendly approach.





Illustration & Branding Jaanvar Inc.



(on assignment for the pattern making workshop at the Illustration department at MICA)

Fig 5 (top): Layout for the boxFig 6 & Fig 7 (bottom extreme right): Box from different angles







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(on assignment for the poster making workshop at the Illustration department at MICA)

Fig 3 (left): Details of the illustration presented in the poster *Fig 4 (top right):* Additional images presented to the client

The project brief called for an abundance of flowers and bubbles, igniting my creative drive to explore 3D elements in crafting this logo.

Fig 1: 3D Design Logo for a Tattoo Studio

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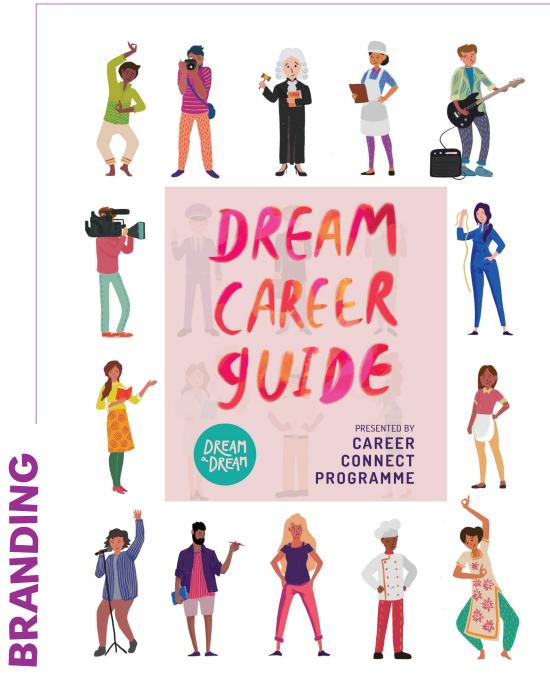
Oops I poked u Design & Logo for a Tattoo Studio





Fig 3: Alternate logo option

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DREAM CAREER GUIDE

I illustrated & designed a guide, outlining 50 prospective careers for students. I ensured that my illustrations challenged gender stereotypes by assigning nontraditional roles to a diverse set of individuals. This is a one stop guide for young adults from underprivileged backgrounds to explore different career options.

Fig 1 (left): Cover Image for the document *Fig 2 (top right):* Typography & logo

ARTIST

An artist is a person engaged in an activity related to creating art, practicing the arts, or demonstrating an art. Art is a diverse range of human activity, and its resulting product, that involves creative or imaginative talent expressive of technical proficiency, beauty, emotional power, or conceptual ideas.

WHAT CAN YOU BE?

WHY?

Illustrator, Graphic Designer, Animator, Art Director, Painter, Sculptor, Ceramic Artist, Craft Artist, Collagist, Tattoo Artists, Art Teacher, Textile Artist, Visual Storytelling, Character Designer, Pattern maker, Sketchbook Practice etc

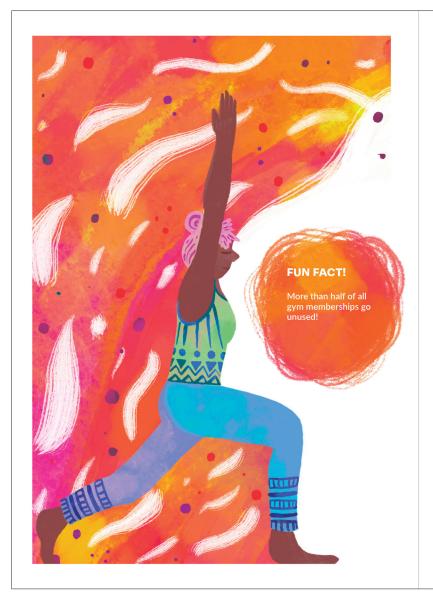
HOW?

Formal training is not necessary to become a successful artist but working on your skills through repetition and practice vastly improves your skills. The simplest way to becoming a professional artist is to create and share your work as widely as possible. Interning at a local art gallery or museum can give aspiring painters and artists hands on experience. If you have a passion for art and are skilled at it, becoming an artist will allow you to turn your passion into a source of income. Being an artist will allow your creativity to flourish and your selfexpression will form the basis of your work.

WHAT?

These are some of the skills required to be a professional artist: Creativity, Aesthetic Sense, Detail-oriented, Familiarity With Required Tools, Physical Dexterity, Strength, and Balance,Personal brand building and marketing yourself





TRAINER

Fitness instructors lead, motivate and instruct individuals or groups in exercise activities, including cardiovascular exercises (for heart and blood system), strength training and stretching. They work with people of all ages and fitness levels.

WHAT CAN YOU BE?

WHY?

Gym instructor, Yoga teacher, Life guard, Sports coach, Personal trainer, Strength trainer, Pilates instructor, Karate Instructor, Martiasl Arts Training, Nutritionist, Trainer, Dancer, Pilates Instuctor, Dietician., etc

HOW?

To become a fitness trainer, gaining experience through apperenticeship in gyms or health centres is necessary. There are courses to become a fitness professional and getting certified from a good institute will be an added advantage. Prerequisites usually include a high school diploma or G.E.D. equivalent and Basic Life Support certification from the American Heart Association You will be able to stay healthy and keep in shape, help your clients achieve their goals of becoming healthier, fitter and more confident and have a passion for fitness and would like to share it with more people

WHAT?

Personal motivation to keep fit and the ability to motivate others to do the same. Patience and ability to explain things clearly Understanding of lifestyles, diet and human body. Additionally, awareness of safety and good practices.





Dream a Dream hoested the fifth edition of Change the Script aiming to build a supportive community to prepare young people to thrive. This international conference united organizations and individuals who are passionately working to reimagine education in the 21st century. Over the years, this residential conference has created a robust platform for effective educational innovators.

For this conference, I created the "Change the Script" logo and used elements based on the implemented brand guidelines. I designed collaterals for banners, invitations, conference agendas, maps, t-shirts, diaries etc

Fig 1 (top left): Logo + Branding *Fig 2 (top right):* Branding on Diary

Dream Career Guide Branding, Design & Illustration

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AGASTYA HALL

BREAKFAST

WELCOME Suchetha Bhat, CEO, Dream

REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN

SETTING THE CONTEXT

WEAVING THE THREAD

Let's get to know each other!

I CAN'T DO WHAT I DREAM

WHY RE-IMAGINE EDUCATION?

TEA / COFFEE

LUNCH

TEA / COFFEE

FREE TIME

MUSIC NIGHT

DINNER

WHAT LIES WITHIN

and personal sharing.

Suchetha Bhat, Padmaja Nagarur & Chinnapa Das

BUILDING CONNECTIONS & BREAKING THE ICE

Ashweetha Shetty, Founder: Bodhi Tree Foundation Gagan Sethi, Founder, Janvikas & Center for Social Justice

Rumi Harish joins us to celebrate the songs of mystic poets from across India

Has it been a while since you have played with colours and engaged with art materials? Then do take time to visit the Art Village1 A space to be creative and playful as you engage with colours using different at materials and create something new and exciting. Our facilitators will be available throughout the conference to help encourage and support you.

A chance to listen to the experiences and journeys of returning participants.

Over the last five years at Change the Script, we have deepened our understanding of what it means to hold young people at the center of our work and for them to lead the way. From this exploration, a group of young people developed a platform of their own, called Change the Narrative. In this session, they bring their ongoing conversations to Change the Script anchoring us in the purpose of our gathering.

Ashweetha Shetty and Gagan Sethi share their personal journeys and their work with marginalized communities, inviting us to explore the dominant mindsets that come in the way of young people.

Join us as we unpack the internalized messages that form our personal identities through the use of art

07:30 AM

08:30 AM

09:30 AM

09:45 AM

10:00 AM

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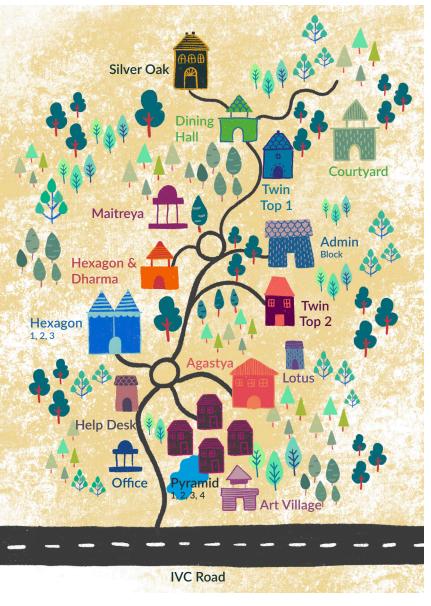


Fig 4 (left): Branding on t-shirt *Fig 4 (top right):* Illustration of the map



NulHaxxiLLustrates F2FTATTOO Collaboration Flash Tattoos + **Print Sales** UP. 3rd January, 2020 12 PM - 8 PM Cooke Town

Fig 1 (left): Poster at entrance *Fig 2 (top):* Social media collaterals/flyers

Branding, illustration and Design for a Tattoo + Art pop up event in Bangalore, india.

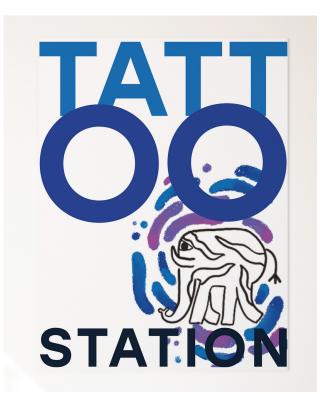


Fig 3: Poster for the Tattoo station



Fig 4: Welcome Sign and directions to the roof



Dislocate (Event) Design & Branding

Fig 2: Branding & Logo

12 PM - 12 AM **18th July 2023**

The Permit Room 20th Cross, MG Road, Bangalore 560088 Prismetraxx | Rakaflaka | Oceantied | Fushiiup | The Bard | DJ Loose Legs | PeachBlok | DriveThru | sandunes | SnadMuzak | Deep Slide | F2FTattoos | OopsIPokedU | Ishra Philipose | Bruce Tattoos | Ink Brush Me | Nushaxx Illustrates |Able_Unable | Avani Dvivedi | Snorlaxx | Pearl D'Souza | Xishnu | DreamStates | Annada Menon | Tansane | Frootoo | Ragini Vijay Menon | Humming Tree | J Babe | Hunnymoon Henny | Booby |

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(on assignment for the 3D Design workshop at the Illustration department at MICA)



*Fig 1:*Poster and branding for a teachno music, tattoo and art event - "Dislocate" by Social Offline in Bangalore, India.

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Experiments in Type Website Collaterals

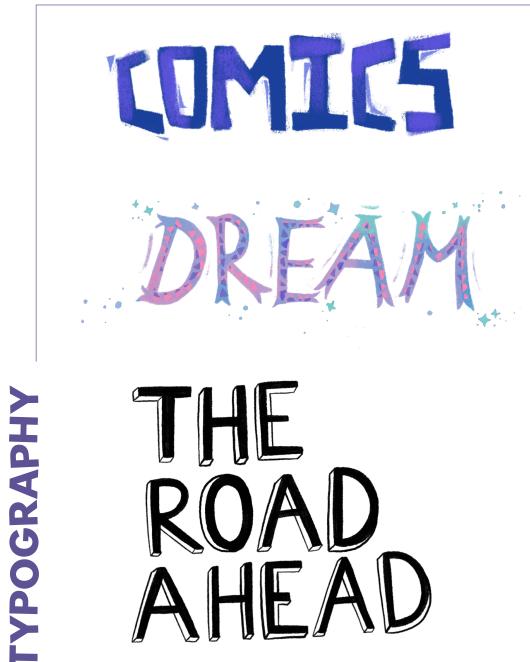




Fig 1 (top left), Fig 2 (left middle), Fig 3 (bottom left) & Fig 4 (top right) & Fig 5 (bottom right): illustrated + designed typography





logo + illustratration and type for for Bangalore's top cinephile and cinema reviewer - "Boo! Ya Watchin?". In this logo you will find many easter eggs. I took inspiration from my clients top movie picks (Eg: Clockwork Orange, Eye of Sauron to name a few.)

Fig 1 (top left): logo *Fig 2 (top right):* Logo on mug *Fig 3 (bottom right):* Typography of the logo







LOGO

PAISLEY TIPI VINTAGE

Fig 1 (left): Logo illustration + Branding for a vintage clothing store. The client's brief stated an amalgamation of rich indegenous heritage combined with a strong Kannadiga heritage. *Fig 2 (top right):* Addtional collaterals

Champagne Wishes and Curry Dreams Logo + Illustration





Fig 1 (top left): logo and a collection of illustrations I meticulously crafted for a writer's website inspired by the writers ancestory and childhood memories.

Fig 2 (right top) & Fig 3(right bottom): close-up of type andillustration.



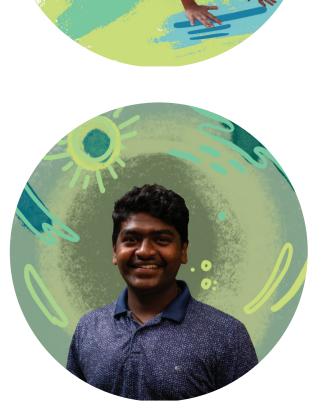






Photo Editing

Dream a Dream, India





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Chance to Thrive Dream a Dream, India

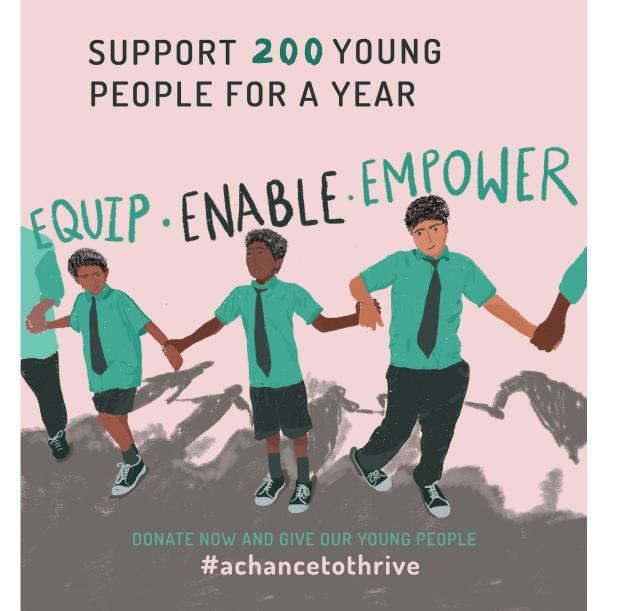




Fig 1-6 (previous page): Social Media Collaterals across various channels

Fig 7 (left): Poster for Dream a Dream's annual fundraising campaign - "A Chance to Thrive" (initiative by Dream a Dream with the aim of assisting young adults from underprivileged backgrounds deal with adversity in a fast paced world)

 $Guiding\ Principle: "Equip, Enable, and Empower" Illustration & Type and Design$

Fig 8 (top right): Logo for the campaign



Fig 9 (top), Fig 10 (top right) & Fig 11 (bottom right): Close-up of the social media collaterals



DURING THE COVID-19 LOCKDOWN, WE:

Reached out to and supported 1895 teachers

Teaching Children to Thrive

Learnings from the Happiness Curriculum
PANELIST



Geeta Goel Country Director, Michael and Susan Dell Foundation

November 13th, 2020 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Dream a Dream's Facebook Page (Live)

Teaching Children to Thrive

Learnings from the Happiness Curriculum
PANELIST



COLLATERALS

Esther Care Professional Fellow, University of Melbourne

November 13th, 2020 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Dream a Dream's Facebook Page (Live)

Teaching Children to Thrive

Learnings from the Happiness Curriculum

KEY NOTE ADDRESS BY



Shri. Manish Sisodia, Hon. Dy. CM, Delhi

November 13th, 2020 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Dream a Dream's Facebook Page (Live)

Fig 1 (top left), Fig 2 (bottom left), Fig 3 (top): Social Media Collaterals for "Learnings from the Happiness Curriculum" - an initiative by the Delhi Government



Dream a Dream sought to provide a comprehensive overview of the New Education Policy passed by the government in 2021 and its effects on Indian youth navigating a rapidly evolving world, especially those facing adversity.

For this report, I adopted a design approach heavily reliant on illustrations while adhering to Dream a Dream's established brand guidelines. Given the diverse audience that would engage with this report, including stakeholders and students, I opted for a vibrant and colorful aesthetic to make the content more engaging and accessible.

Fig 1: Design and illustration for the urgency of a new education policy in India

National Education Policy Dream a Dream, India

Fig 2: Close-up and details for why India is in dire need of a new education policy

why the NEED FOR A new education policy?

There is a paradigm shift in every sector globally, largely spearheaded by massive technological developments.

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Felt the need to address exacerbating problems of lack of reach, quality, and professionalism.

More than three decades have passed since the last education policy was released.

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Poor learning outcomes, gaps between textbook teaching and real-life vocations, huge imbalanc in rural-urban, poor quality of teaching.

REPORTS



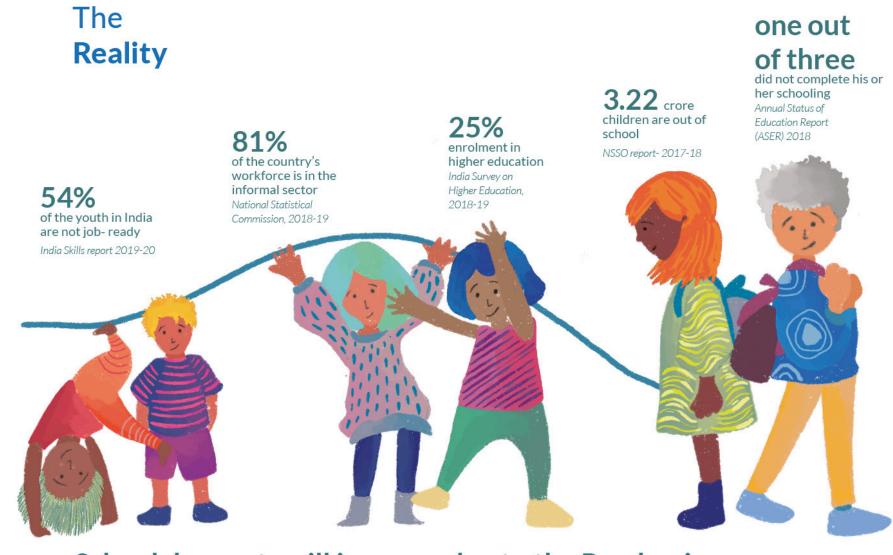
National Education Policy Dream a Dream, India

Fig 6: Design + illustration for strengthening early childhood care

Strengthening Early Childhood Care and Education

REPORTS





School dropouts will increase due to the Pandemic

Fig 7: Infographics + illustration for the reality on the state of education in India in association with UNESCO

REPORTS

Annual Report Dream a Dream, India

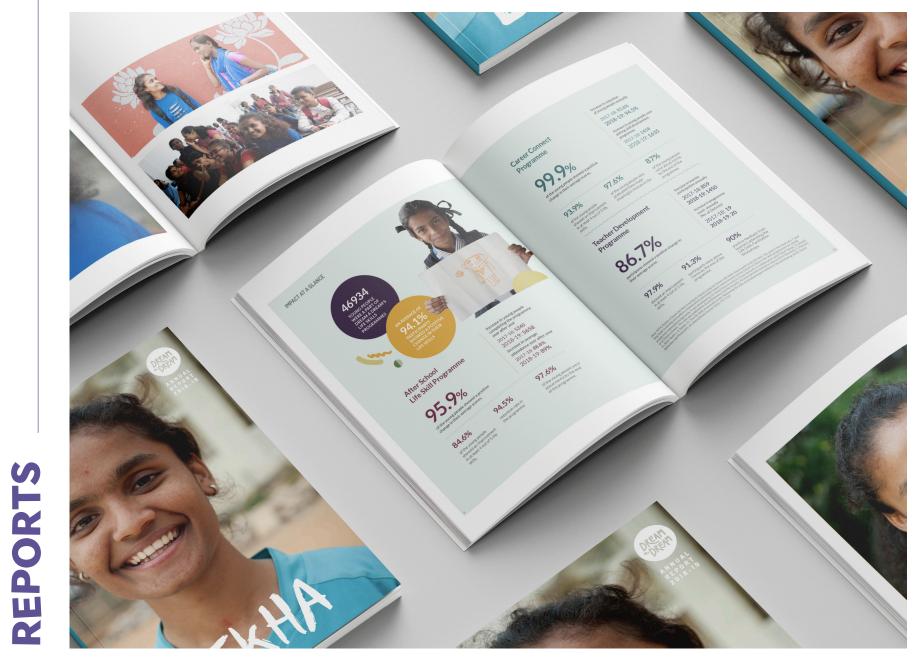


Fig 1: Cover Image + Infographics

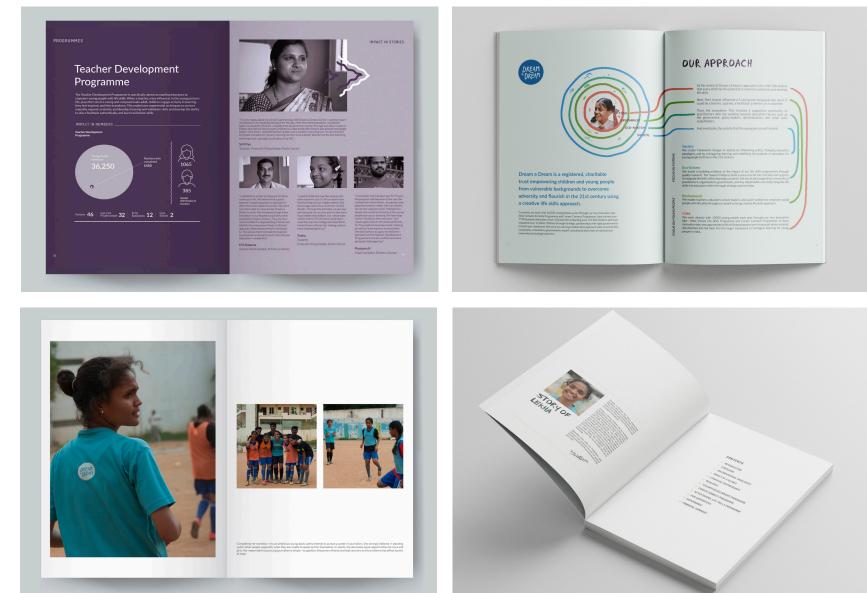


Fig 2 (top left): Infographics from the Teacher Development Programme, Fig 3 (top right): Dream a Dream's Approach,Fig 4 (bottom left): Lekha's photographs that guide us through the repost, & Fig 5 (bottoms right): Story of Lekha + contents

OUR APPROACH

At the centre of Dream a Dream's approach is the child. We believe that every child has the potential to overcome adversity and develop life skills.

Next, their closest influencers. A caring and compassionate adult. It could be a teacher, a parent, a facilitator, a mentor, or a volunteer.

Then, the ecosystem. This includes a supportive community of practitioners who are working towards education reform such as the government, policy-makers, administrators, and other such stakeholders.

And eventually, the society that the young person will inhabit.

I led the development of Dream a Dream India's Annual Report in Bangalore, where I not only managed the project but also played a key role in its creative design. I conceived a unique approach for this report, recognizing that NGO Annual Reports typically contain extensive data and the need to showcase our impactful work.

ECO-SUSTER

SOCIE

Innovatively, I decided to center our approach around the perspective of a young individual, in

line with Dream a Dream's motto. In this report, we introduced readers to Lekha, a student actively engaged in our After School Programme. Through her journey, we provided insights into her life and personal narrative, offering our readers a more engaging and relatable understanding of our organization's work.

Fig 6: Design, photo editing and illustration for Dream a Dream India's child centric approach

PROGRAMMES

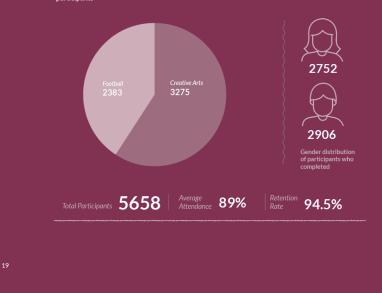
After School Life Skills Programme

In our After School Life Skills Programme, we use creative arts and football as mediums to engage and develop critical life skills among young people between the ages of 8 to 15 years. This programme is an innovation lab where new approaches to life skills development are introduced, demonstrated, documented, evaluated, and fed back into a larger framework for reimagining learning for young people in the country. To measure the improvements in life skills amongst the young people, we use the Dream Life Skills Assessment Scale (DLSAS').

*The DLSAS is the first impact measurement tool in the world to measure improvement in life skills among disadvantaged children

IMPACT IN NUMBERS ----

Programme-wise distribution of participants





I used to be very quiet and shy but after starting to play football, I was able to start talking to boys. I understood my capabilities through the programme. I didn't think I could talk to a room full of people, let alone be an anchor in front of a crowd of 800. Dream a Dream gave me the ability to believe in myself, no matter how scary the challenges seemed. Dream a Dream is like a medicine to me. It brought me a power that I had in me all along.

Likhita Student, Stella Mary School

Parvathi

Likhita's Mother





Before Dream a Dream's interventions, Likhita needed to be pushed constantly. provide less fortunate children with a After she enrolled in the programme, we complete education. I had some doubts have noticed a visible shift in her behavior. when I was initially approached by Dream She undertakes all her responsibilities a Dream. However, without Dream a without us having to instruct her to do Dream's help, our school would not be anything, while also confiding in us about where it is today. Our children, who come her life. Whether it's waking up in the from very difficult backgrounds can stand morning, completing her homework or confidently and speak out despite how helping out around the house, she's always they were raised. Dream a Dream is doing active and willing. As her parents, we wish a lot for the community by being a light in that every child has access to the kind of the darkness when children do not know education provided by Dream a Dream. the way out of adversity.

> Nirmala Founder, Principal, Stella Mary School

IMPACT IN STORIES

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In the beginning, Likitha would often get angry and cry when teased by boys. I worked on making her comfortable in the team. The boys slowly started to understand her and recognised her talent in football. With time, she gained strong communication skills in both Kannada and English and her grades at school improved as well. She presently teaches young children communication skills in her free time. Recently, she organised her school's Independence Day celebrations on her own by using the internet to find out how!

Sharath Facilitator

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Implementing Education Reform: Is there a secret sauce? Dream a Dream, India



Design for Dream a Dream India's report on the implementation of education reform in India and the transformative impact of utilizing Life Skills as a powerful tool for driving social change.

I opted for a minimalist design approach, incorporating icons to enhance practicality. Given the content's substantial text, my primary objective was to ensure ease of readability and comprehension.

Implementing Education Reform: Is there a secret sauce? Dream a Dream, India



Fig 3(top left): Design for Delhi government's broad responsibilities in the education space *Fig 4 (top right):* Design for 3 enabling actions for sustainable education reform Fig 5 (bottom right): Design for barriers to sustainable reform

The Finnish case of dominant logic is particularly intriguing, as well. The nation's highly

The initial rate of our other many targets as particularly integrating at values the instant in the initial integrity educated teacher workforce and meteoric rise on international assessments left parents, educators, administrators, and policymakers believing there was no room for systems improvement. As one policymakers assessing this challenge of empowered professional identities, put it: "why change when you're the best in the world?"

Implementing Education Reform: Is there a secret sauce? Dream a Dream, India

- The broad political and social dynamics of education reform
- Systemic components (political, social, technical, procedural, and managerial) leading to:
- reform resistance and failure
- overcoming reform resistance
- Key (political, social, technical, procedural, and managerial) principles for:
- designing sustainable education reform
- implementing sustainable education reform
- sustaining education reform

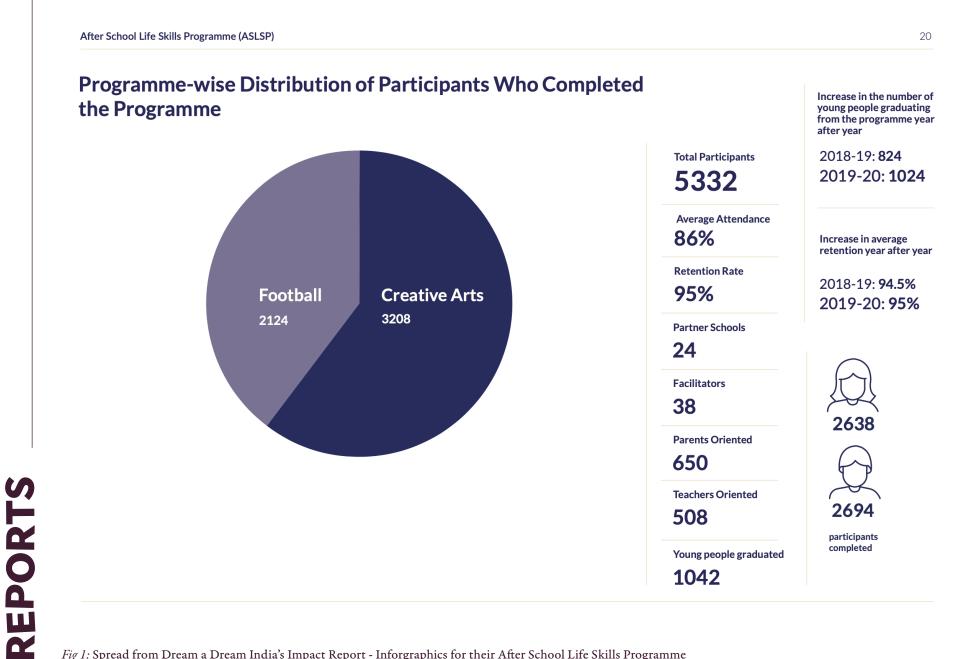


4. ANALYZING THE REFORM JOURNEYS

4.1 An Overview of the Cases

While Finland, Portugal, and Ottawa presented unique policy proposals, a unifying logic drove them all: wholechild learning for the future of work and life. Reforms were selected in consultation with the interviewed policymakers, who determined the suite of changes from which they most learned about resistance and change.





Life skills are abilities for adaptive and positive behavior that enable young people to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life.

1995, World Health Organisation

The Urgency of Life Skills

_____ Young people from vulnerable backgrounds come from various experiences of adversity. Adversity affects their ability to engage with the world, make healthy life choices and their ability to thrive in the fast moving world.

At Dream a Dream, we believe that 21st century skills provide an excellent opportunity to young people from vulnerable backgrounds. Young people are able to adapt to this new, fast changing world through life skills and thus achieve positive outcomes in life.



Fig 3: Life skill assessment and Dream a Dream's NGO partnerships across the world.



New Curricular and Pedagogical Structure for School Education

Reduction in curriculum to core concepts

Education in local language/mother tongue

Flexible curriculum

Vocational education integration from primary grades

CHILD

Fig 1 (left) & Fig 2 (right): Options for Catalyst2030's Impact report 2022 based on their Brand Guidelines.



IMPACT REPORT 2023

17 SDGs 199

Countries Served

2130 Individual Members

1700+ Member Organisations

1bn Lives Touched

\$2.2bn Funding Volume



Fig 3 & Fig 4: Options for Catalyst2030's Impact report 2022 based on their Brand Guidelines.

