

Qualifications Summary

A visionary Interior Designer with a Master's degree from London Metropolitan University, specialising in creating dynamic retail, commercial, and residential spaces that respond to the evolving needs of users and clients.

Over six years of professional experience gained in the diverse markets of Mumbai, adept at leading design projects from concept through completion with a keen eye for modern trends and sustainable practices. Proficient in leveraging advanced design tools and methodologies to produce compelling visual presentations and detailed construction documents, ensuring seamless communication and project execution. Expert in synthesising client needs into innovative design solutions that enhance functionality and aesthetic appeal, while maintaining a strong commitment to environmental sustainability. Technically proficient in CAD, 3D Rendering Software, Microsoft office, and Adobe Suite.

Areas of Expertise

- Retail & Commercial Space Planning
- Client Relationship Management
- Project Lifecycle Coordination
- 3D Rendering & Visualisation
- Budget & Resource Management
- Conceptual Design Development
- Presentation & Communication
- Mentorship & Team Leadership
- Sustainable Design Practices
- CAD Software Proficiency
- Regulatory Compliance
- Construction Documentation

Education

Masters in Interior Design – 2024 | London Metropolitan University, London

- Expanded interior design horizons at London Metropolitan University, focusing on sustainable future designs through a research-based curriculum. Each module challenged traditional boundaries, introducing complex design briefs that enhanced skills in critical questioning and innovative challenge resolution. The design process required thorough research, site selection, and application of research in design development.
- For the thesis, a music hub was conceptualised to address the scarcity of music education in schools. Selected the Young V&A, a Grade II listed building, for a sound-based redesign aimed at enhancing musical expression to foster community development and break down societal barriers. The project featured adaptive reuse elements that complemented the existing structure, facilitating music demystification. The design not only aimed to bridge educational gaps but also provided a welcoming space for local and international students to integrate into society.

Bachelor of Science in Interior Design – 2016 | Rachna Sansad's School of Interior Design, University of Mumbai

Career Experience

Designer, König + Neurath Showroom Redesign Project - Clerkenwell Design Week 2025, London **Jan 2025 – Date**

- Selected as one of four graduates to reimagine König + Neurath showroom for Clerkenwell Design Week 2025
- Collaborated with partner brands BALSAN UK, Cantarutti Srl, Noti furniture, and Green mood, UK
- This Project involved tackling a real-world design challenge, requiring Innovative Solutions to meet the Client's Final Objectives within a tight timeframe and Budget constraints, through Continuous Coordination with Client's team Members and contractors, resolving day-to-day issues, effectively bridging the gap between Design and Project Execution while still adhering to industry standards.
- Working alongside Future YOU Society, contributed to creating cutting-edge workspace solutions, gaining invaluable hands-on experience in commercial interior design and industry networking.
- Final completed design will be showcased to international audience at CDW 2025, one of the UK's leading independent design festivals

Freelance Interior Designer, Mumbai, India **2018 – 2023**

Led consultations and applied modern design trends to establish a cohesive aesthetic across furniture, art, and accessories. Directed on-site contractors and coordinated with vendors, overseeing design integrity and managing furnishings acquisition to balance aesthetics with functionality within budget constraints. Managed all project phases from conceptualisation through construction, overseeing contractors and vendors to ensure adherence to high-quality standards and client specifications.

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Key Projects:

Dermatology Clinic:

- Designed and executed a layout for a dermatology clinic in Mumbai, optimising functionality and comfort; included detailed floor plans and technical drawings adhering to client specifications and regulatory standards.
- Produced 3D renderings and immersive visualisations, enabling client visualisation of the final design, facilitating informed decision-making, and ensuring alignment with the envisioned concept.
- Orchestrated spatial design and client collaborations, conducting precise on-site discussions with contractors and delivering hand-drafted drawings and sketches to guide construction.
- Played a pivotal role in selecting materials and finishes throughout the design process.
- Managed unique project responsibilities that deviated from traditional roles, adapting innovative strategies to meet specialised project demands.

'Sand Pebbles' Apartment:

- Led the comprehensive redesign of 'Sand Pebbles' apartment, transforming key living spaces by integrating client-focused layouts with existing structural elements for a cohesive update.
- Conducted in-depth site analyses and utilised CAD software and 3D visualisations to present innovative design concepts, ensuring clear communication of the design direction.
- Innovated space-saving solutions, enhancing functionality and aesthetic value in limited apartment spaces, and balanced modern minimalism with personal style in material and colour palettes.

'Windsor' Apartment:

- Directed the interior renovation of a 3 BHK flat, transforming living and bedroom spaces to enhance comfort and integrate energy-efficient lighting solutions, reducing long-term operational costs.
- Utilised 3D perspective views and material boards to give clients an immersive preview of the anticipated design outcomes, facilitating informed decision-making.
- Implemented a sustainable design approach, integrating eco-friendly and reusable materials to optimise environmental impact and aesthetic value.

Interior Designer, Designer Duo, Mumbai, India

2016 – 2018

Managed a diverse portfolio of commercial and residential projects, overseeing design and execution for spaces up to 1000 sq. ft., including corporate offices and private residences. Coordinated project timelines across multiple stakeholders, including contractors and electricians, to ensure timely completion and adherence to quality standards.

- Delivered sophisticated design solutions for a 780 sq. ft. financial investment company office, reflecting the brand's image with a clean, professional aesthetic.
- Designed and transformed spaces using detailed CAD floor plans and 3D renderings, guiding client decisions and ensuring alignment with project goals, from industrial-themed offices to contemporary homes.
- Developed customised aesthetics for each client, sourcing unique materials and guiding art and accessory selections to achieve high satisfaction and translate visions into stylish, functional interiors.

Licenses & Certifications

Workshop: Sustainable Interiors

Academic Honors & Awards

First in Interior Design, Year II, Rachna Sandad

Best Interior Construction Portfolio, Year II, Rachna Sandad

Best Interior Design Portfolio for Row House, Spa and Salon, Library, and Office Interiors, Year II, Rachna Sansad.