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corporate identity



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# Joachim Müller-Lencá

is an award-winning international designer, principal and owner of Kame Design in San Francisco since 1997.

His work is characterized by an expressive, direct visual language that always comes to the point. Diverse background and interest in Asia and Europe make him quintessentially cross-cultural, between modernist and experimental. His approach is integrative, not additive: Shape and meaning turn into a coherent One, getting to the essence with consistency and simplicity. Powerful fresh impact and surprise are delivered through energetic, percussive visual language and novel, unusual musical color.

Useful design need not be dry, and entertaining imagery not shallow.

Joachim's capabilities span across information design, logos and identity design, illustration and character creation, typography and typeface design, offering 25 years of experience in print media and 13 years in web and interface design. Clients include Wired magazine, FontShop, Samsung America, Bank of America, Skidmore Owings & Merrill, USA Network, Panasonic, Reebok, Barclays Bank, Pentagram, Organic Online and more.

## Past experience and career:

- As Lead Information Designer at Barclays Global Investors/Wells Fargo Nikko, San Francisco, Joachim art-directed and designed retirement and investment information in printed materials, interfaces of financial planning software and the company web site, the corporate identity, and conference presentations.
- As Principal of his own studio in Barcelona, work included exhibitions and catalogs in conjunction with the 1992 Olympics and other conventions,

redesign of the shields of the city districts, and the graphic identity of the city's markets.

- As Senior Designer at The Understanding Business in San Francisco, he created cover designs, information design and layout concepts, illustrations and pictogram systems for the Pacific Bell SMART Yellow Pages.

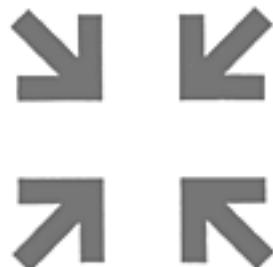
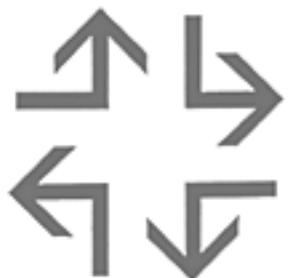
To date, Joachim has designed 11 typefaces with 21 styles, available from Adobe, FontShop, Linotype, Agfa-Monotype, MyFonts and Typebox. His typographic work in Latin and Kanji scripts has garnered 4 awards from the Morisawa International Type Design Competition, including the Gold Prize and two Judge's Prizes, as well as 4 Certificates of Excellence in Type Design from 'bukva:razi', ATypI's type design contest in collaboration with the UN.

Joachim has taught and lectured on information design and type design in the US, Canada, Japan, Hong Kong, Macau, France, Spain, Italy and Switzerland. He has written for and was written up in leading design publications in the US, Japan, Hong Kong, France, Germany and Belgium. His work has been reproduced in over 20 professional books worldwide. He is a member of Association Typographique Internationale and of the Type Directors Club of New York, and a U.S. Alien of Extraordinary Ability.

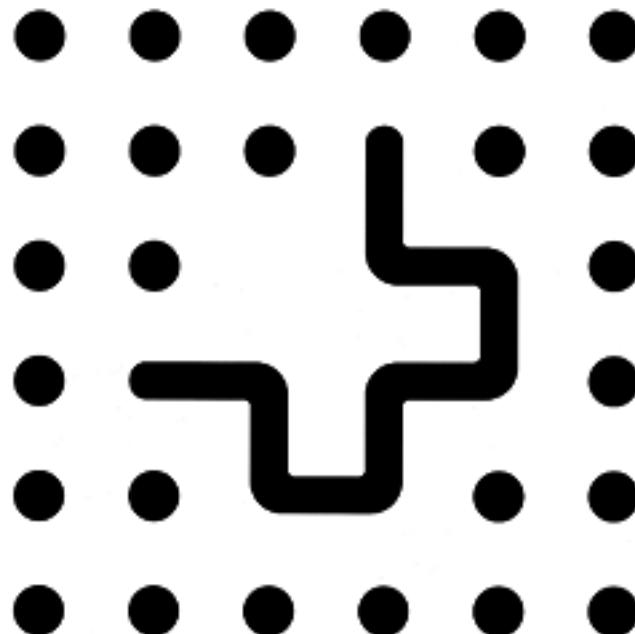
Joachim graduated with honors from the Basel School of Design in Switzerland, having studied with Armin Hofmann and Wolfgang Weingart. At the Cooper Union School of Art, New York, he added studies in Video, Film and Painting.

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## **swiss cooperation logo**



winner of competition for a logo of the swiss society for interregional cooperation:  
the 26 dots symbolize the 26 'cantons' or states of the swiss federation.  
the truncated shape of the swiss cross also suggests the number 4 – for the four official languages of switzerland.

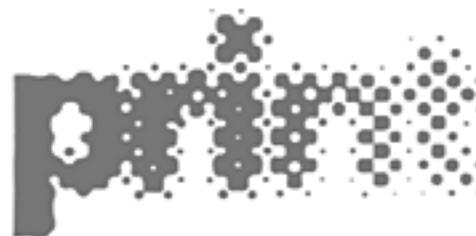


## **print company logo**

**print**

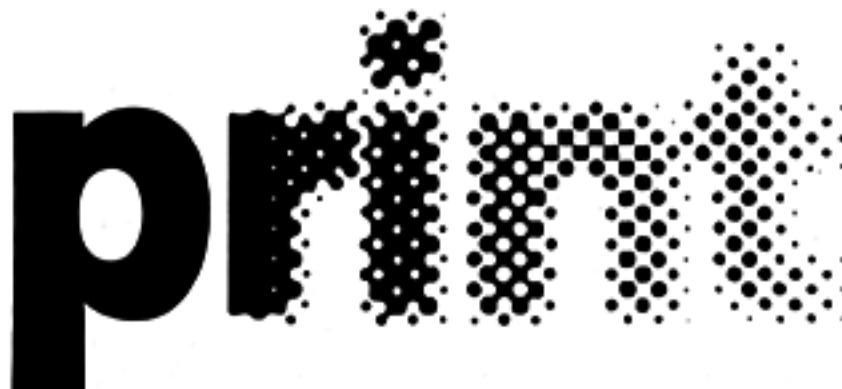


**print**



logo for a graphic pre-press production and print house.

the transition from the solid line art letter 'p' to a dissolving screen was impossible to achieve technically, and is hand-drawn.



# basel maritime museum

shopping bag for the museum store of the  
maritime museum in basel, switzerland.

the alphabet flags spell out the name of  
the museum, "unser weg zum meer" –  
"our path to the sea".



# city of barcelona

for zimmermann asociados, sl.

historical shields of the city districts  
of barcelona, spain:  
redesign, first digital version



**barclays global investors/  
wells fargo nikko**

- client conference "3.w"  
signage, printed materials, activity gear
- celebrating the company merger with  
a custom hat and swatch



# 3.w

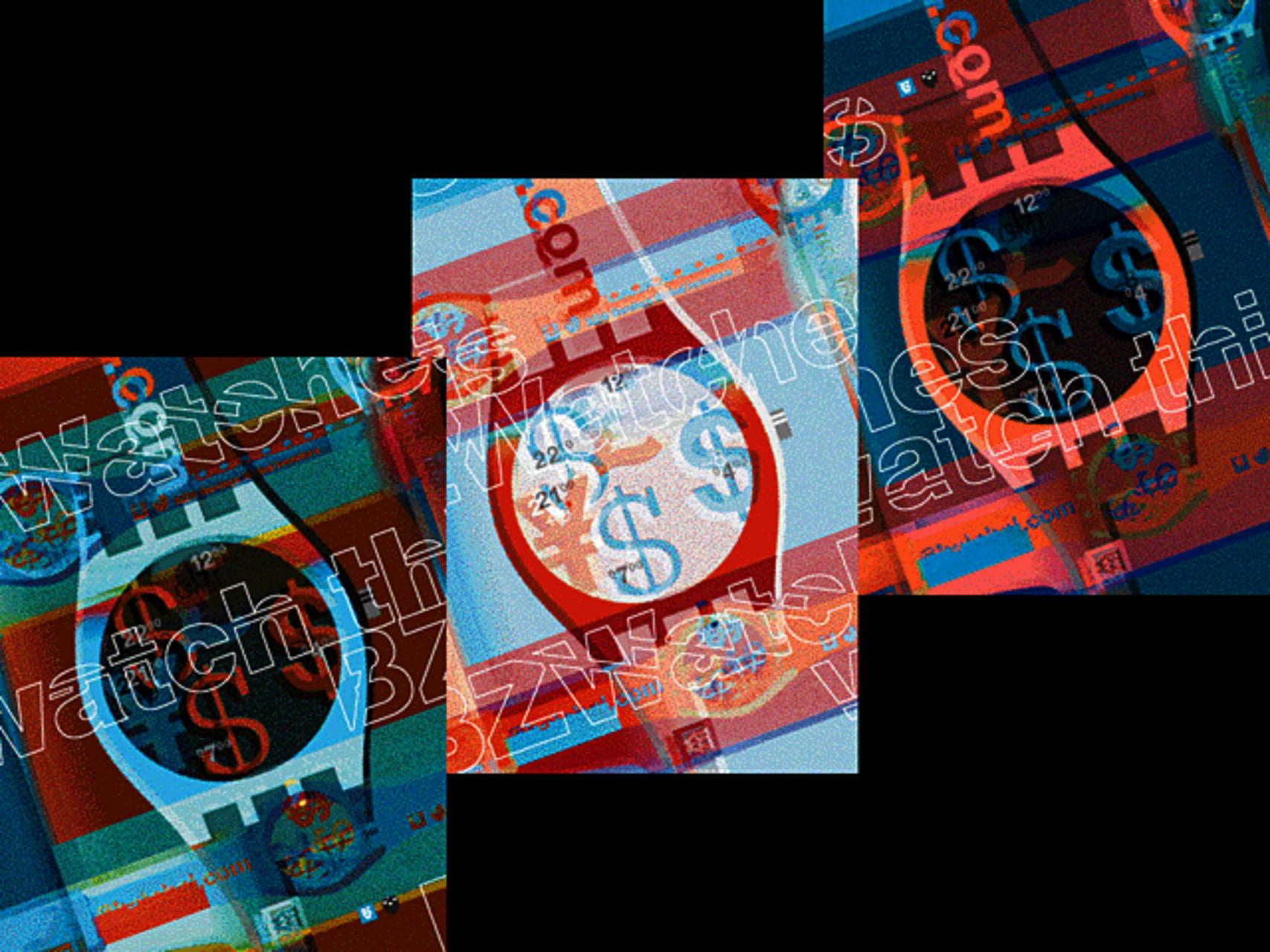






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# barclays global investors: corporate brochure

mission, values and visions for the future:  
inspirational art photography combined with  
evocative quotes to illustrate the main  
aspects and concerns of the company

Barclays Global Investors



INTEGRITY

EVOLUTIONARY

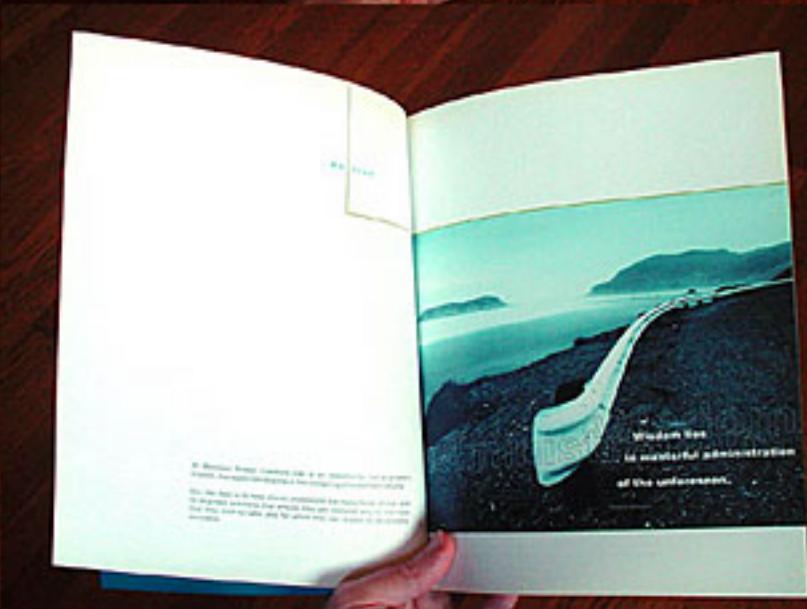
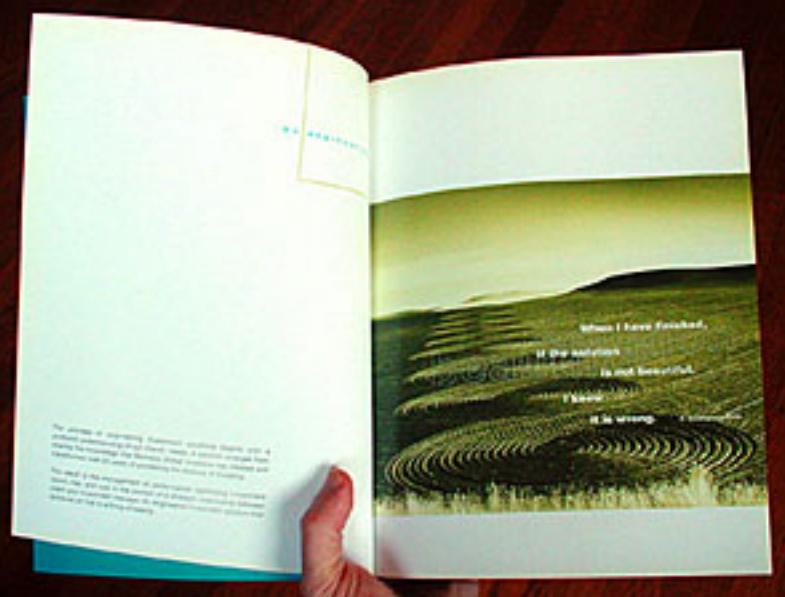
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...AND...

PERFORMANCE



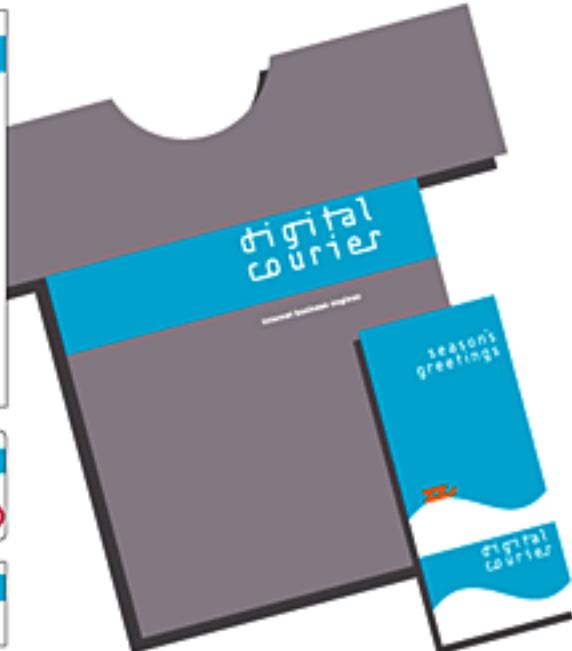


# digital courier

complete corporate identity for startup company creating internet business engines

< earlier design iteration, 2nd contestant

[final design system >>](#)





< final design system

## Logo construction

Our logo is one consistent unit;  
its proportions are an important part of that  
consistency.

The proportions between  
type height, width, weight, letterspacing, and  
how the dots are sized, spaced and placed,  
all relate to each other.  
On-screen rendering was a key issue; hence  
the square grid representing pixel position.

The tagline "internet business engines"  
is both a description of our company  
and our slogan.

Type: Univers Bold, 20/1000em spacing.  
All lower case for consistency with the logo.

Start with the "3x3 dot square",  
taken from the logo.

Leading:  
align the baselines with the dot rows.

Size:  
make it 3/4 (75%) of the leading.

Then align the x-heights with the dot rows.

Horizontal distance between dots and type:  
same as the vertical type leading.

— or scale your template to size.

If the tagline needs to appear  
right under the logo,  
its distance from the baseline equals  
the size of the "3x3 dot square".

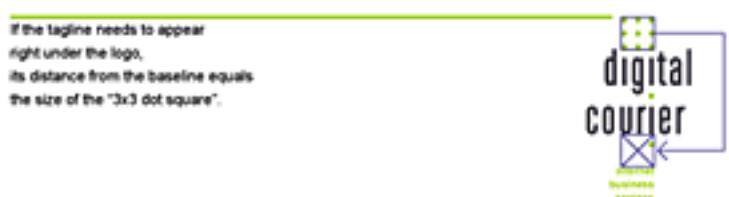
## Logo construction



- • • internet
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## Letter folding

To insert the letter into #10 envelopes:

Bend the lower edge inward  
up to the small green mark,  
and fold bottom curve.



Now the content is hidden.



Turn letter around and bend top edge  
outward  
to the first fold.  
Now fold the new curve.



The letter is folded in perfect thirds,  
with logo, address and date showing;  
and the content hidden for privacy.



Insert into envelope face up;  
close envelope.  
This way, it will not show through the front.  
When opened  
(usually from the envelope's back)  
the logo shows when pulled out.

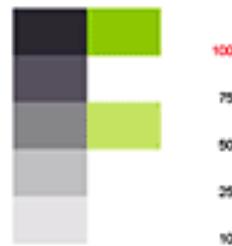


## Letter folding

## Colors

Color is not merely an uncontrollable emotional/personal design issue.  
It can be used in systematic ways.

The logo colors should only be used for highest importance and most basic structure:



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40 0 M

35 65 Y

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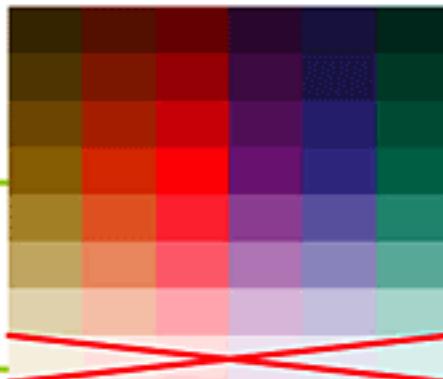
102 102 R

102 255 G

102 0 B

### Corporate Green

should only be used for items of highest importance on top corporate level.  
Only 2 shades are available, since a bright color's shades are harder to discern.



# 110 # 151 # 1768 # 252 # 2726 # 3275 PMS

30 0 0 28 78 92 C

15 48 60 92 65 0 M

100 92 80 0 0 48 Y

CMYK conversion values are approximate.  
Always consult a matchprint.

999999 FF6600 FF3366 CC00FF 3366FF 009999 CLUT

153 255 255 204 51 0 R

153 102 51 0 102 153 G

0 0 102 255 255 102 B

## Colors

## Color usage

To give a natural feel to your color choices, emotional and conditioned effects of color should not be ignored.

Use red and orange for hot/problem issues, greenish hues for financial or environmental, blue for corporate/philosophical/cool, gray for structural/historical, etc...

### Troubleshooting

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### Site architecture

### Early computing

Dot  
4pt  
2pt  
1pt  
0pt

Observe how colors change optically when used in small quantities, as in type or lines.

Your retina cells perform a sharpening and contrasting function before information is sent to the brain.

black type test 8pt  
black type test 6pt



colored type test  
colored type test



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## Type styling

Write as modern as we are...

...and use concise language.

Most typesetting rules are time-tested to help efficient reading.

Other rules stem from limitations of the typewriter era, and have become obsolete compared to typesetting options available on computers.

Many documents may also appear on-screen, and should be optimized for this display.

All lower-case is reserved for the logo and tagline.

Never use all upper-case—the equivalent of being screamed at. Use bold instead.

All cap-initials is a remnant from one-style typewriters. Bold type stands out better, and so does color. Use sparingly! (See "Color" for how to reflect content hierarchy).

Minimize italics: on computer screens they are the worst possible type treatment. As in classic typesetting, reserve italics for foreign words only, and use those sparingly.

Impress your audience with understandable facts, rather than with oblique terminology.

Use "smart" quotation marks and apostrophes. Use foot- and inchmark only for their intended purpose.

Punctuation can add unnecessary visual noise. Spaces can serve equally well. (Take inspiration from your stationery).

## Type styling



**BUY THIS OR ELSE** Our product's advantages

This Is Too Old School We can do better

Old Problem Dragged Along Go with the zeitgeist

Fossilized Ophthalmology Modern eye care

"**that's bad**" "**that's good**"

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## Layout elements

For more serious subjects, use rectangular elements.



For lighter, modern subjects, add a few round corners cautiously, and keep their placement consistent.



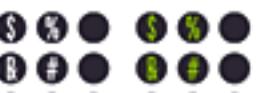
All-round corners is too close to passing trends, appears unserious, and takes away definition and personality from our appearance.



Everybody loves pictograms (icons). Use them carefully where they make sense—for categories or orientation. Circles are recommended, as well as arrangements that recall our logo element of the "3x3 dots."



Design icons to be very simple, so they won't compete with the circle shape. Choose symbols that communicate immediately. Style, size and overall weight should be as consistent as the letters of a typeface.



For emphasis, choose different colors carefully.





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logo for san franciscan law firm specializing  
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GloboLex International, Ltd.

<http://www.globolex.com/index.html>

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GloboLex's goal is to develop the client's project in the most effective and cost efficient manner possible. Our attorneys, business consultants, and business partners believe that we must first develop a comprehensive knowledge on our client's business, understand the legal issues and business challenges that they face, and present creative and encompassing legal and business solutions to these challenges.

Relief, calming, soothing effect symbolized as transition from heavy, cramped type to light, wide type

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Gaining more clarity, symbolized as transition from dark to light

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for fangohr, llc.

Logo of new pharmaceutical for immediate treatment of epilepsy



"What is the proposition?  
Your life can be clearer."  
From tension and confusion to order, from electric storm to calm.

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Relief, progress, alleviation, efficiency, dynamism, reliability...

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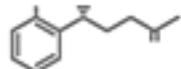
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For the doctors:  
Playing with the molecule



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could be the shape of the pill

"Opening a portal to a wider, brighter world" as described in briefing: gates, bridges, rainbows, horizons

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"Opening a portal to a wider, brighter world" bridging the ascenders in the typeface, landing on straight reliable ground

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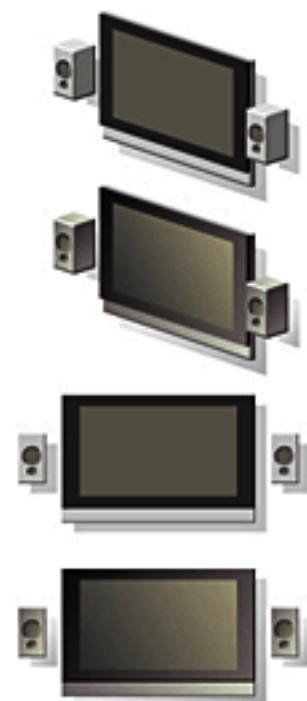
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quality mark for free home theater  
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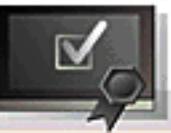
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## CHARACTER ROAD TRIP

TAKE A RIDE WITH EVAN &amp; JARON



## usa network: character road trip

for fangoehr, llc.

usa network asked us to create 2 titles (aka logos) for two interstitial shows that tie into their 'characters welcome' theme. we said 'let's go' and cranked out over 150.

our two-headed man, beer mug and fangonaut landed on national television. we were quite happy with the irreverent finalists that usa picked for the 'character roadtrip' show.

[www.usanetwork.com/movies/characterroadtrip/](http://www.usanetwork.com/movies/characterroadtrip/)

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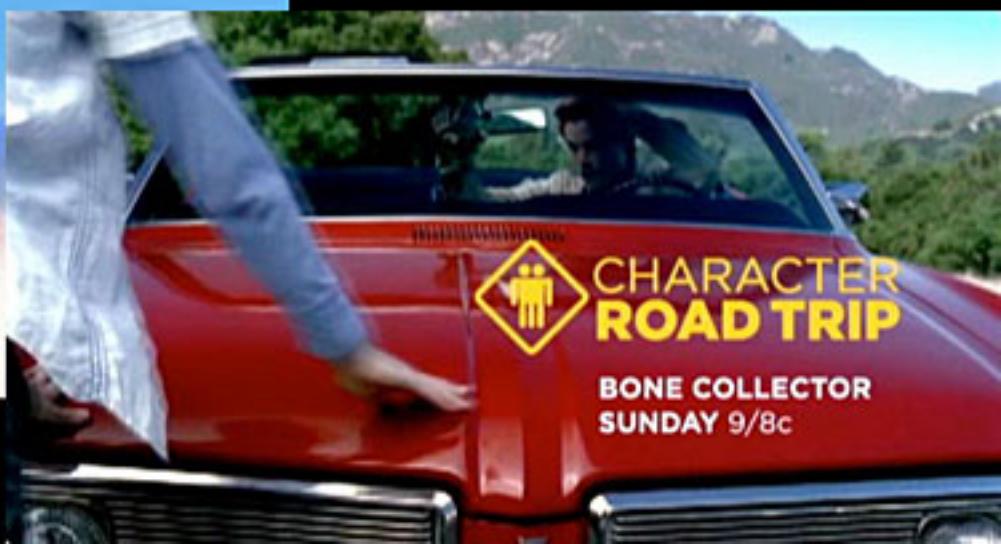


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COLD MOUNTAIN  
TUESDAY 9/8c



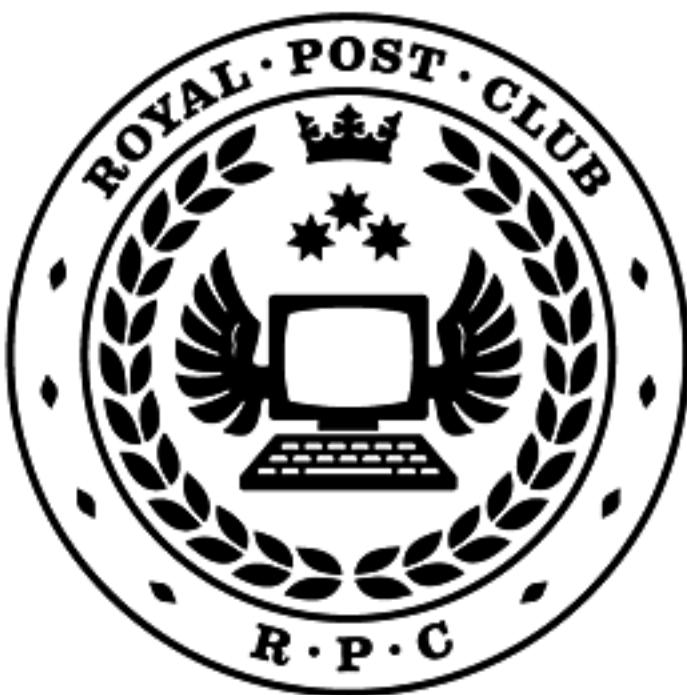
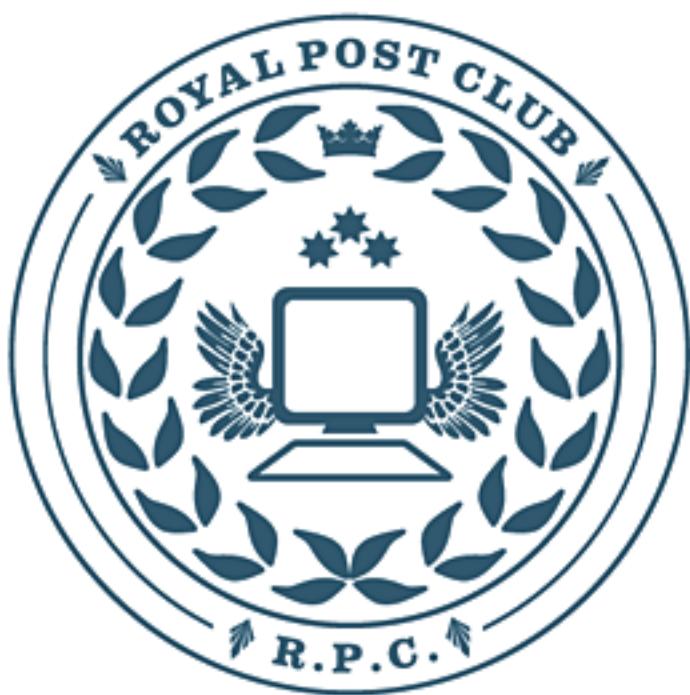
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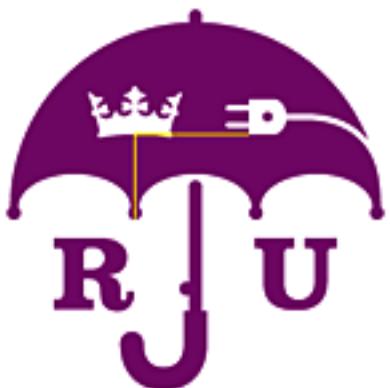
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+ electric umbrella  
= royal umbrella

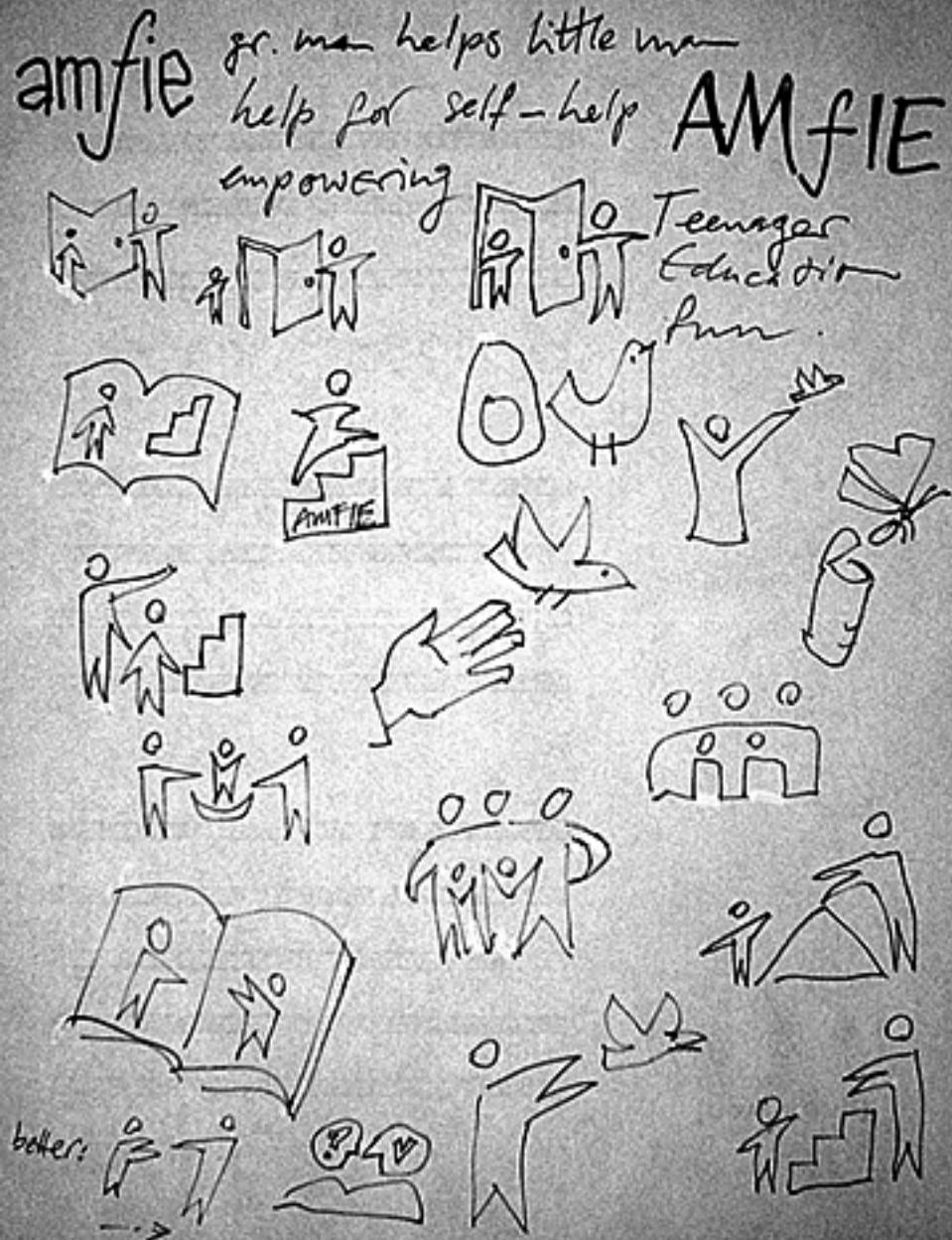
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a german production house

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for fangoehr, llc.

nonprofit organization for support and  
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**kino falke**

(german: falcon cinema)

logo and business card for independent  
san franciscan filmmaker eddy falconer



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Filmmaker  
1220, 14<sup>th</sup> Ave #106  
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new graphic identity for self-defense school



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# mari's catering

mari takahashi,  
japanese-californian fusion chef  
owner, sozai restaurant  
catering service  
supplier to rainbow, whole foods etc.





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Foie Gras  
Tuna Roll



diamond box



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bento box



Seafood  
Foie Gras  
Tuna Roll

business card suggestion

version 1  
3.5 x 2"

affordable to print, in 2 simple inks.  
we need to choose a really cool RED.

tell me all the information that needs to go in here.



this horizontal layout is similar to your food labels,  
so it has "recognition value".  
it also fits well into the plastic sheets that some people use  
to organize the business cards of their contacts.



mari's  
catering

food with heart and art

Mari Takahashi  
Owner

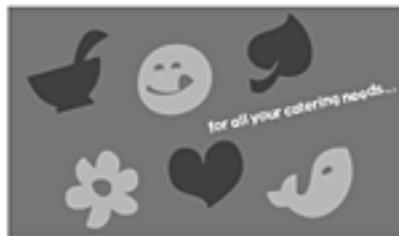
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this tall layout may be similar to  
a typical take-out menu,  
or a catering / information brochure.  
If you plan to offer such pieces.



since you like my icons,  
we could still use them for decoration  
on the OTHER side of the business card.

It will cost a bit more,  
but the effect would be nice and powerful,  
just using the red ink.



If black ink is cheaper,  
and you need to save money,  
this is an example.

but i like red better =)



the final logo

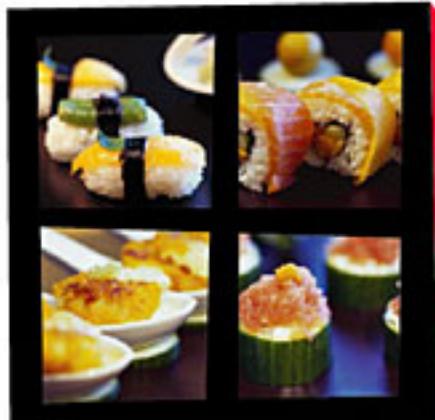
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please make sure that  
all kanji are fine with you.  
let me know if you see  
need for any adjustments.

i cleaned up many details  
in and between the letters,  
to make it more consistent.

this was the original font,  
"Gadger".  
i marked the problem areas  
which i corrected.



# mari's catering

food with heart and art



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this grid is shaped out of katakana fitted tightly

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EdOrNoName: Hi Ann!

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## fashion



### Today in Harajuku

The Tokyo neighborhood of Harajuku on a Sunday afternoon.

## art



### If Picasso were alive today...

...he'd be cranking espressos and decorating \$4 lattes. Squigles, women with 3 breasts and two ears on the same... [more >](#)

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June 4th, 2008 by Fred Jardin

35 years after their debut as the world's weirdest band, the Residents are still making great art, and every once in a while, they accidentally make some good music too... This video isn't one of those times.

another paparazzi website  
by cool guy hiro

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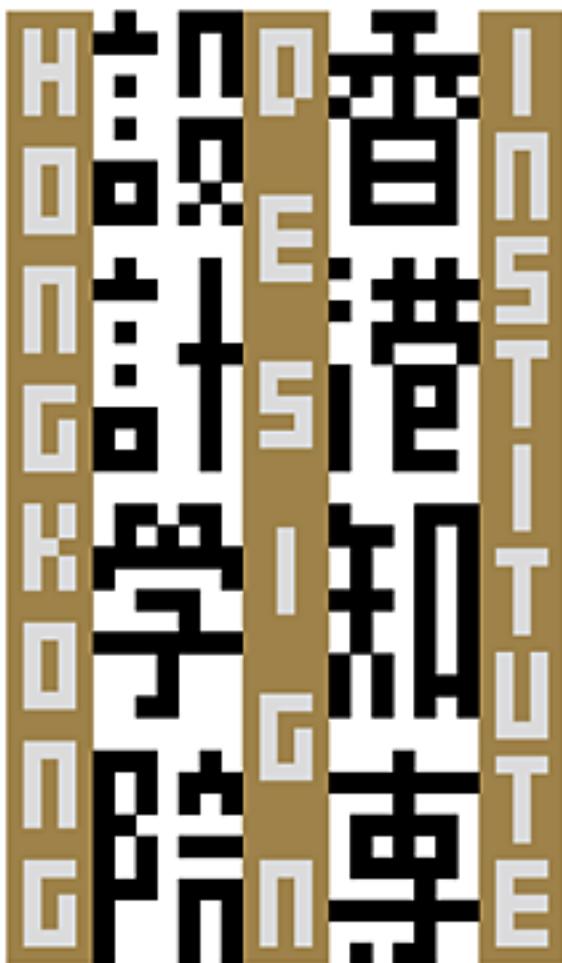
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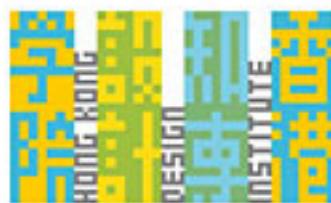
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