

Cala Barrett

A designer in the digital age. I am an Australian multi-disciplinary designer focusing on Architecture, UX, and UI design based in Sydney, Australia. As a curiously creative person, I love to be involved in the design process of creating things people love. From the intricate realms of architecture to the captivating world of fashion, and now delving into the dynamic landscape of digital design, my passion is to adapt my learned skills to design products people need.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ernst & Young, Sydney – Digital Engineering Graduate

March 2026 - Present (Full-Time)

Ernst & Young, Sydney – Digital Engineering Vacationer

November 2024 - January 2025

- Worked as a UX/UI Designer within the Digital Engineering team, focusing on form styling, responsive design, and usability improvements.
- Designed and optimized user flows, responsive layouts, and authentication systems to enhance usability and accessibility.
- Managed Confluence and DevOps tickets, collaborating with developers and consultants to ensure seamless integration of design within technical constraints.
- Gained hands-on experience with corporate design workflows, refining Figma skills and adapting designs to align with existing systems and client requirements.
- Engaged in cross-functional collaboration, working closely with business teams, designers, and developers to create scalable digital solutions.

Vicious Cycle, Sydney – Senior Front of House

October 2023 - March 2026

- Guest-facing representative for a cycling studio with customer service skills. Managed receptionist responsibilities, overseeing check-in procedures and operating cash and EFTPOS transactions.
- Successfully resolved client conflicts and concerns, ensuring a positive experience for all patrons. Cultivated trusting and professional relationships with customers.

AVE Management, Singapore – Print and Commercial Model

August 2020 - Present (Casual)

- Developed client liaison skills and worked with clients, photographers and design team to fulfill shoot requirements.
- Required to interpret client briefs and design direction to achieve desired outcomes for the shoot, including moodboards, design guidelines, all within the constraints of clients timeline.

United World College of South East Asia, Singapore – Senior Gymnastic Coach

July 2019 - December 2019

- Coached and managed competitive level teams as well as recreational classes.
- Fast paced environment and ability to work and communicate with younger children, keeping class attentive and focused, and developed solutions for their individual needs.

WOHA Architects, Singapore – Student Intern

July 2017 - August 2017

- WOHA's design team Intern, predominantly involved in preparing graphics and website design for launch of the new furniture collection: Wohabeing.
- Opportunity to shadow industry professionals to observe and understand the architecture and design industry.

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AUSTRALIA

NATIONALITY

Australian Citizen

SOFTWARE

HTML, CSS, GitHub, Figma and FigJam, Adobe Suites (Photoshop, Illustrator, Indesign, Microsoft Copilot

AutoCAD, Rhinoceros 3D, Slack, Miro, Google Suites, Microsoft Suites,

EDUCATION

Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts

University of Sydney, Sydney
Graduating in early 2026

Certificate in UX/UI Design

Monash University, Melbourne
July 2023 - February 2024

Selected Projects: [Vagabond Club](#), [#Quitnic!](#), [Arômes](#)

Bachelor of Architecture and Environments

University of Sydney, Sydney
January 2020 - November 2022

Electives: Design Communication, Colour Theory, Design Innovation

International Baccalaureate, High School Diploma, Cambridge IGCSE

United World College of South East Asia, Singapore
Graduating Class: 2019

Extra Curricular: Sports Council, Competitive Gymnastics Squad (SEASAC representative), 1st Violin in Student Orchestra

AWARDS

NSW Government Architect Award, University of Sydney

November 2022

- Selected to participate in Open Jury Awards at the Graduate exhibition.
- Awarded best project in the Bachelor of Architecture and Environments graduating class.

SOCIETIES

Sydney University Experience Designers (SUEDE)

March 2025 - Present

- Social Media Specialist
- Crafting creative content and digital campaigns to connect the SUEDE community, spotlight student work, and drive meaningful engagement among emerging experience designers.
- Use tools like Canva and Adobe Illustrator to craft weekly posts, event promotions, and recap features.

INTERESTS

Photography
Personal Fitness
Travel
Film Noir

REFERENCES

Matthew Mindrup

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