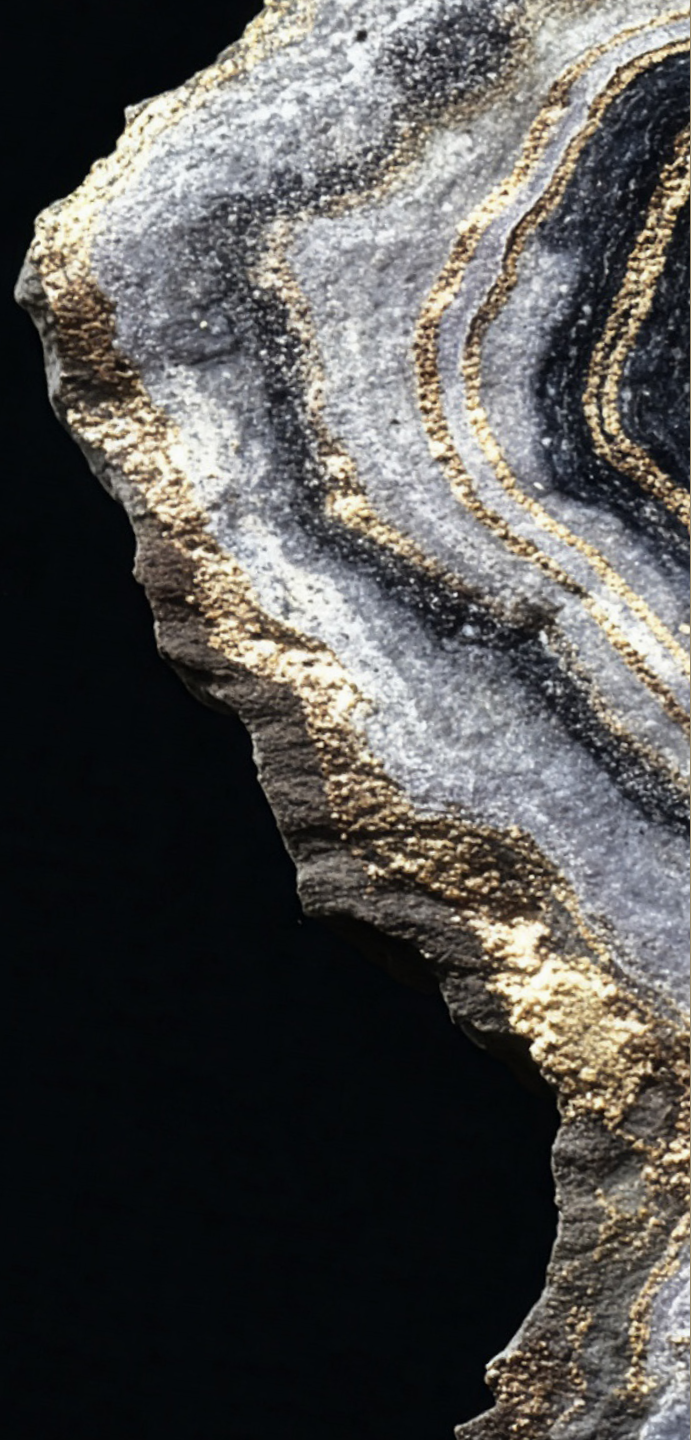


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Creative Leadership in Design, Strategy, & AI



THE ARCHITECTURE OF RESONANCE

Integrating Behavioral Psychology, Design, and AI to Scale High-Value Brands.

Without an understanding of behavioral or consumer psychology, design fails to stand out, and AI-generated brand imagery is just more annoying “slop.”

Having studied symbolism, culture, archetypes, and psychology (as well as design, strategy, and GenAI), I work to unearth and articulate the essence of brands, and to formulate branding strategies around it.

STRATEGIC IMPACT & SCALE

Driving Growth through Creative Direction and Consumer Psychology.

FROM NICHE TO GLOBAL CONTENDER

- Scaled ORTTU from a niche startup to a global fashion contender through community-centric branding.

HERITAGE REINVENTED

- Redefined **Waterford** and **Perry Ellis Home** for the modern luxury market, aligning legacy DNA with contemporary consumer psychology
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The Core Competencies:

- **LEADERSHIP:** Steering cross-functional teams in design, packaging, PR, and AI integration.
- **AI STRATEGY:** Creating brand direction and workflows to keep, and enhance, the “soul” of the brand.
- **CULTURAL SEMIOTICS:** Considering “archetypes” and implicit brand symbolism to identify and dominate market white space.



SCALING IDENTITY & ECOSYSTEM

ORTTU: Engineering High-Velocity Growth

The Challenge: Transitioning an avant-garde aesthetic into a scalable, high-performance global brand without diluting its core DNA.

The Solution: Applied the Archetypal Engine to the customer journey, shifting the brand from a product seller to an exemplar of the customer's lifestyle.

Content as Currency: Developed a PR-driven editorial strategy that turned customers into a "tribe."

Operational Scale: Oversaw the creative-to-commerce pipeline, ensuring visual consistency across all touchpoints from PR to copywriting, email marketing campaigns, and the ORTTU magazine.

EXECUTIVE OUTCOME: > Shifting the brand from a product seller to a cultural exemplar, we achieved exponential growth in customer lifetime value (LTV) and established a dominant presence for ORTTU as a global leader in forward-looking, inclusive fashion.

[Left: a photo in **OPEN**: More than a magazine; a customer retention ecosystem.]

REDEFINING LEGACY HOME BRANDS

Translating Heritage DNA for the Contemporary Luxury Home Market.



Brand DNA

Identifying the soul of the brand to ensure modernization feels like evolution, not a departure.

Market Alignment

Repositioning legacy products to appeal to the luxury-conscious professional for continued growth in an evolving market.

Creative Governance

Directing design, packaging, and photography teams to ensure a unified visual language across home furnishing categories.



AI-DRIVEN BRAND EVOLUTION

Synthesizing AI, behavioral psychology:

AI & TECHNOLOGY: Introduced GenAI into design and packaging team workflows, ensuring consistency in product shots, and enabling photography to be created even before product sampling.

BEHAVIORAL PSYCHOLOGY: Using AI as a tool to unearth emerging trends and analyze brands and their competitors.

DESIGN & AESTHETICS: Directing design in relation to trends, while elevating brands for customer loyalty.

[Left: an editorial photo of a model wearing a knit dress.
Both the model and dress were designed using Adobe software and made photoreal with AI.]

GROUNDED STRATEGY

CULTURAL ARCHETYPES & SEMIOTICS: Rather than relying on the standard 12 brand “archetypes,” I have explored symbolism, art, and mythology to understand human nature, desire, and motivation. I understand cultural symbolism deeply and bring that to design and branding.

EVOLUTIONARY PSYCHOLOGY: In my work, I have explored the biological and psychological impulses that drive consumer behavior.

DEEP STRATEGY: I have explored creativity and the future of brands, in a time of AI, in my book Transcend the Chaos (Inner Traditions, 2025). In the same work I explore persuasion, leadership, and the forces that really govern societies.

My work on cultural symbolism has been cited in books published by **OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS** and **DE GRUYTER**.



Team Leadership & AI

Weaving Human Genius and AI Precision into a High-Performance Brand Fabric.

Creative Direction:

- **Focus:** Stewardship of brand DNA across all departments.
- **The Lead:** Directing design, product, packaging, and marketing teams to ensure a unified ethos and brand aesthetic.

Human-Centric AI Orchestration:

- **Focus:** Bridging the gap between technology and human creativity; understanding the limits and strengths of both.
- **The Lead:** Leading AI-integrated workflows that empower human talent, and enable designers to do more with less, rather than automating design into mediocrity.



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