Ovidio Hinojosa

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Senior brand strategist with 13+ years of experience transforming complex data into clear, compelling insights that drive communications strategy across the customer journey. Skilled at framing the right problems, identifying whitespace opportunities, and translating behavior, cultural signals, and business goals into creative strategies that fuel growth. Adept at collaborating with creative, analytics, and client teams to build brand equity, optimize campaign performance, and bring customer-centric narratives to life.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mustache & Edible, Inc. (Edelman Network)

Associate Strategy Director

Aug 2022 – Dec 2024 Portland, OR/Remote

- Led full-funnel strategy and insight development for Perdue's Beer Can Chicken Beer, generating 3.34B+ impressions and a 7% sales lift; awarded Gold at the 2024 WARC Effectiveness Awards.
- Delivered primary research, journey mapping, and cultural insight synthesis for Taco Bell's "Project Auténtico," influencing long-term Gen Z Latino engagement strategy.
- Developed brand architecture and identity for Eli Lilly across mental health, corp comms, and healthcare access initiatives.
- Ongoing market/category research, competitive analysis, audience segmentation, insight mining, and creative brief development for LEGO, Splenda, 7-Eleven, El Pollo Loco, Google Cloud, and various new business pitches.
- Developed communications strategies and plans (including digital, traditional, and influencer tactics) for Perdue Farms, Boursin cheese, and Google's sustainability efforts.

<u>DNA</u> May 2021 – Jun 2022

Senior Brand Strategist

Seattle, WA

- Designed and led insight-to-execution strategy for Seattle Sounders FC's 50th anniversary rebrand, aligning fan sentiment with modern brand positioning.
- Developed brand architecture and messaging for Pillar Properties, crafting a verbal and visual identity system to differentiate in a competitive real estate market.
- Responded to a brand crisis at Pabst Blue Ribbon with a revised content strategy, voice reset, and social playbook that stabilized public sentiment.
- Ongoing market/category research, competitive analysis, audience segmentation, insight mining, and creative brief development for TacoTime NW, Swerve Sweetener, AAA of Washington, and Chess24.com.
- Piloted experimental uses of blockchain and generative AI in client engagement activations.

<u>GMMB</u> Jul 2019 – May 2021

Senior Digital Strategist

Seattle, WA

- Partnered with cross-functional teams on UX, digital strategy, and brand strategy for nonprofits, public health, and philanthropic
 organizations including the Washington State Department of Health, Gates Foundation, and ASAP Parkinson's.
- Spearheaded website development projects for the BUILD Initiative, including client leadership, primary research, persona creation, user journeys, and card sorts.
- Delivered brand performance dashboards and campaign measurement for Google and Alameda County, emphasizing brand health and digital impact.
- Led internal brand strategy upskilling sessions on SEO, audience research, and brand positioning.

<u>LERMA</u> Mar 2016 – Jul 2019

Digital & Social Media Strategist

Dallas, TX

 Directed ongoing digital and social media strategy – including three Super Bowl campaigns – for Avocados From Mexico, securing brand visibility and consumer engagement through web experiences, augmented reality, generative AI, and innovative social and influencer integrations.

- Managed multicultural brand voice and positioning for Avocados From Mexico's Hispanic audiences, translating brand
 positioning and equity into culturally authentic digital expressions.
- Unified Cinemark's digital brand presence across 15 Latin American markets while preserving regional nuance.

Splash Media Apr 2014 – Mar 2016

Senior Regional Community Manager

Addison, TX

- Directed global social operations for Facebook's consumer and business platforms across 30+ international accounts.
- Developed content and media strategy for Terminix and TruGreen, translating performance data into optimization recommendations.
- Produced reporting frameworks that translated performance into clear insights for client stakeholders.

<u>Golin</u> Feb 2013 – Feb 2014

Community Manager

Dallas, TX

- Managed content planning, community management, and real-time activations for Metro by T-Mobile and Texas Instruments' social media presences.
- Activated real-time social war rooms during UFC events, leveraging Metro's sponsorship to drive engagement and brand mentions
- Led content planning and stakeholder education on community management best practices.

Splash Media Mar 2012 – Feb 2013

Social Media Specialist

Addison, TX

- Managed social strategy and content for brands including Takis, RAM Trucks, Drobo, and Mrs. Baird's Bread.
- Supported SEO, PPC, blog content, and web development across Splash's full client roster.

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Dallas

Dec 2014

MS, Marketing - Advertising and Branding

Richardson, TX

University of North Texas

Aug 2010

BA, English – Creative Writing

Denton, TX

Core Capabilities

Customer Journey Mapping • Insight Mining & Synthesis • Brand Strategy • Campaign Planning • Data-Driven Storytelling Integrated Marketing Strategy • Messaging Frameworks • Research Design • Stakeholder Alignment • Creative Brief Development B2C + B2B Experience • Telco, Tech, Health, CPG, QSR, Finance • Executive Communication • Agency Collaboration