

Introduction to Conceptual Design Thinking.

Demonstrated through Logos, Posters and Editorial Illustrations.









5-Step Process.

Define the problem

Identify Two Unique Points of Differences (POD's)

Develop a Comprehensive List of Your POD's

Identify the Tension Points (Start design thinking)

Develop the Idea and Design Solution



Define the Problem.

Example Logo Assignment:

Pine Knob Music Theater

Create a logo for an outdoor music venue that is located among beautiful Pine Trees in Michigan. The venue is open from May to September and features a full summer list of music concerts in all music genres. Depending on the music group playing, the target audience is everyone from teens to adults who can sit out on the beautiful rolling grass, listen to music and bring picnics and drinks.



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Look at the name of the organization or what it does or is.

Do the research on your subject.

Pine Knob Music Theater



Develop a Comprehensive List of Your POD's.

Pine (Trees)

Surrounded by the outdoors
Pine trees
Rolling hills to sit on
Grass
Nature
Blankets
Summer nights
Romantic
Under the moon
Stars in sky
Bring a Picnic
Be with friends

Music

Saxophone
Drums
Guitar
Guitar pick, strings, knobs
Piano
Microphone
Music notes
Speakers
Drum sticks
Trumpet



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Example Poster Assignment:

UCLA Summer Series Sessions

Create a poster announcing the summer session of classes at UCLA.

UCLA is higher learning institution that is well recognized and respected. It offers undergraduate and graduate school studies throughout the year, including summer sessions. The main campus is located in Los Angeles, with additional campuses located throughout California.



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UCLA Summer Series Enrollment of Classes



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Classes

Pencils
Books
paper
Tests
Student life
Studying/Learning
Different types of tests
Grades

UCLA (The school)

Key buildings on campus
School logo/seal
The bear mascot
Los Angeles
Hollywood
Beach
Palm Trees
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Example Logo Assignment:

Writing Strands

Create a logo for a nationally recognized home school educational program, specializing in Writing Curriculums.



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Writing Strands

Also explored tension pints like **Home** & **school**, and **Home** & **writing**



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Education

Teachers apple
Text Books
Book Spines
Chalk board
Chalk
School desk
Graffiti on text books

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Pens
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Dictionary
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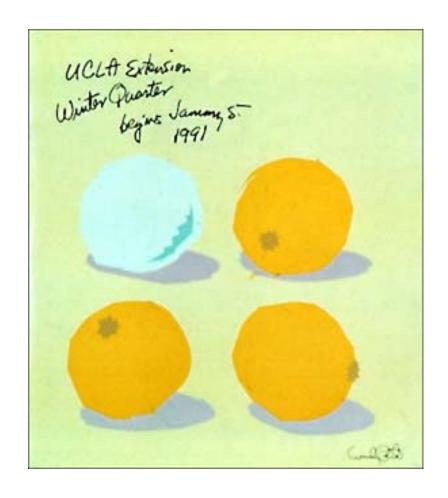


Create Your Idea and Design Solution.





Other Conceptual Design Examples



Program cover for the winter series session of classes at UCLA.



Poster announcing Wood Pirtle of Pentagram Design will be speaking at The Art Directors Club of Iowa.



Amnesty International poster.









Knoll International poster announcing a special chili cook-off commemorating the introduction of a new collection of chairs by Bill Stephens.



Poster commemorating the 10th Anniversary Shakespeare Festival.





Expresso Rescue



Aubrey Hair Salon



Editorial Illustration Examples.





Illustration for an article on the best credit cards to get you into the top airport lounges.



Illustration for an article on the cheapest ways to beat hot summer weather.



Illustration for an article on Designing a sustainable diet.



Illustration for an article on Improving cash flow.



Cover illustration on questions over Mavericks charter schools' quest for profits.



Illustration for an article on the pros and cons of legalizing marijuana.



Illustration for an article on Christmas vs Hanukkah.



Your Assignment to Solve.

OFF THE RECORD

Create a logo for Off the Record, a Stylish Craft Beer and Vinyl Shop in Deep Ellum.

