

# Design + Invent

# Resume: Stephen P. Chininis

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### Qualifications

- . Over twenty years as owner and principal of a profitable design firm with an emphasis on product development for royalty
- Over twenty years experience teaching university level Industrial Design studio courses
- Six years experience as a Design Manager for a leading Industrial Design Consulting firm
- Six years experience as a corporate Industrial Designer
- · Extensive knowledge of materials and processes for a wide variety of consumer products
- Strong background in concept generation and new product development
- Skilled in working with design, marketing, sales, manufacturing and engineering professionals to produce creative high quality designs from concept to production

#### **Recent Inventions**

- Griffin Technology: Crayola Color Studio HD for iPad, Crayola Trace & Draw for iPad
- · Hasbro: Easy Bake Oven Ultimate Decorating Pen Set
- Playskool: Shake, Rattle & Roll Teether
- Tomy: Lamaze Pond Symphony Gym, Winnie the Pooh Magic Motion Play Gym
- Little Tikes Toys: Littlest Bead Chaser, Froggy Friend, Magic Lights Rattle, Tumble & Shine Rattle
- · Goody Products (Newel-Rubbermaid): Oval Comfort Gel Barrettes, 1-2-3 ClawClip, FitClip No Slide Headband

#### Work Experience

Design Principal of Chininis Design & Owner of Chininis Product Development Group L.L.C., Atlanta Georgia

Clients include: Griffin Technology, Conair, Playskool, Kids II, Fisher-Price Toys, Mattel Toys, Hasbro Toys, The Coca-Cola Company, etc. Product conception, visualization, and development for various manufacturers in juvenile products, toys, computer accessories, housewares, as well as other consumer products. Invention and Design is done on a royalty basis. Over 50 products brought to market with more than 20 patents.

• 1992 to present

Adjunct Professor: Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta Georgia. Part time instructor for various studio courses in the Industrial Design program, school of Architecture.

Fall 1989 to 2002

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Design Manager: McCalla-Lackey Associates, Atlanta Georgia. Responsible for client liaison, project quotes and budgets, presentations to clients, creative control, and management of project design teams. Partial client list under my responsibility: Arkla Products Company, The Coca-Cola Company, Dow Brands, Hasbro, S.C. Johnson Wax, SSI (A Hillenbrand Industry), Today's Kids, Tupperware, and Tyco, etc. • Fall 1986 to Winter 1991

Senior Designer: Diversified Products Corporation (DP),Opelika, Alabama. Conceived and developed various sporting goods products. Design Manager for the Kathy Smith, "In'tone" product line. • Fall 1984 to Fall 1986

Instructor: Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama. Taught "Design Workshop" studio course, part time. • Spring 1985, Spring 1986

Industrial Designer, Advanced Studio: Murray Ohio Manufacturing, Nashville Tennessee. Part of two person team set aside to develop new product concepts. Initiated development of full line of exercise bikes with patented mechanisms using fan resistance. • Spring 1983 to Fall 1984

Industrial Designer: Murray Ohio Manufacturing, Nashville Tennessee. Responsible for updating bicycle, lawn mower, and tractor lines. • Fall 1981 to Spring 1983

## Education

- Cleveland Institute of Art: Bachelor of Fine Arts, Spring 1981. Major in Industrial Design, minors in Graphic Design and Painting.
- Georgia Institute of Technology: Masters of Science, School of Architecture, Winter 1996, Industrial Design emphasis.

#### **Related Interests**

- Industrial Designers Society of America, Member 1979 to present.
- Accomplished as a fine artist in painting and photography
- · Collecting and restoring iconic vintage products