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# INTRODUCTION

The web has come a long way since the days of grey backgrounds filled with edge to edge text separated by rainbow colored rules. Today, artists and designers are transforming the face of the web; using their skills to make the web a visually stimulating and compelling place. Companies today recognize the importance of a visually attractive, well-designed web site and artists from the traditional worlds of design and illustration are finding that the web can be valuable both as a new art venue of its own and as a promotional tool for their traditional work.

In this book is gathered together a collection of some of the best, most creative and artistically designed web sites from design companies and artists from around the world. In the section on multimedia, web and design companies we introduce the web sites of some of the top design firms from the U.S., Japan, the U.K., Europe and even a South African firm. In the artists' homepage section we present the portfolio web sites of contemporary illustrators and designers with a focus on modern, pop-art, comic and 3D works. In the final sections we include a collection of miscellaneous web sites with innovative and visually attractive designs and a selection of web sites that will be of particular interest to readers active in web design and development.

An original feature of this book is the inclusion of a list of key words for each web site. These key words are intended to help readers who would like to find web sites using search engines and also to quickly give an idea of the content of each web site. We hope readers will find the addition of these key words useful in exploring web sites and that they will enjoy and be inspired by the images and designs presented here.

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## **NOTE:**

The images used in this book are mainly direct screen captures taken from each web site. As a result of the screen dimensions of web images, some images and art will have noticeable pixelization or artifacts. A number of included sites also employ dynamic animation and special effects which can only be hinted at in the pages of this book. For these reasons we encourage you to visit each site yourself to truly experience and appreciate each site as it was meant to be seen and enjoyed.

## **RECOMMENDED BROWSERS:**

Netscape 4.5 or higher  
Explorer 4.0 or higher



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# **Web, Multimedia & Design Companies**

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## Pixel : Industries

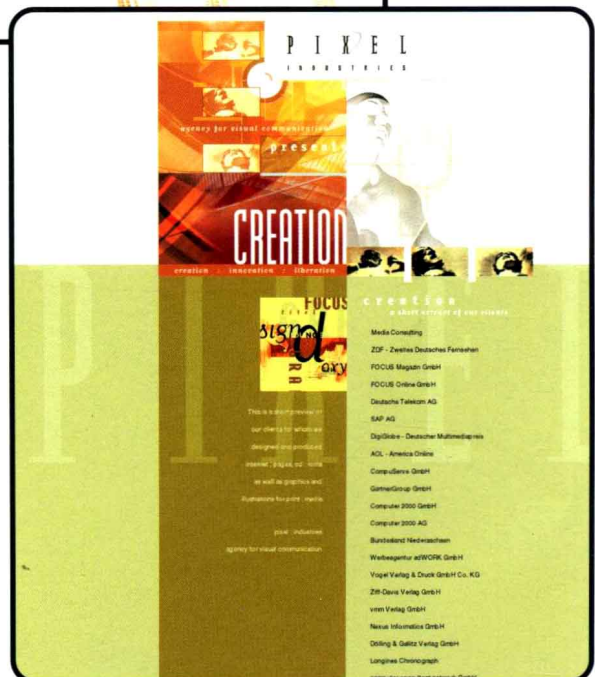
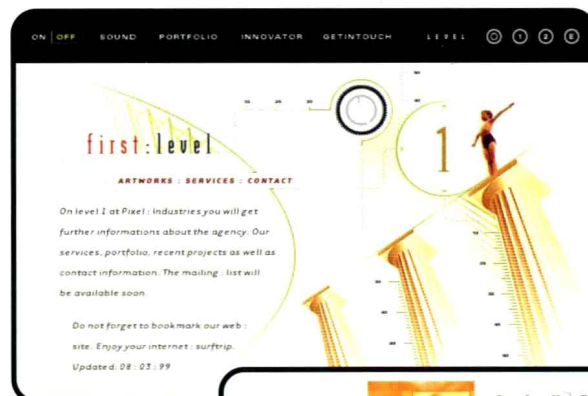
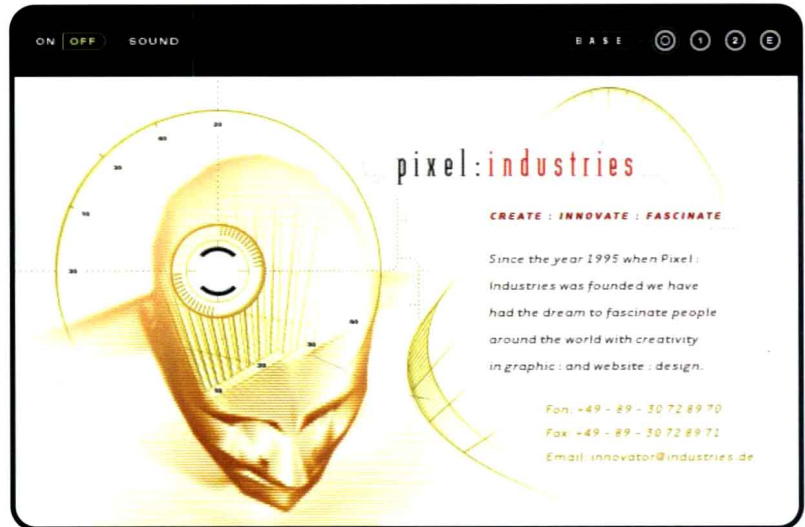
<<http://www.3.industries.de>>

create : innovate : fascinate—These are the results I have always wanted to achieve. Since founding Pixel : Industries in 1995, we have sought to provoke people to think in new ways and expand their horizons. Our mission is to heighten awareness and understanding on many levels. Effective web design must incorporate many criteria such as user behaviours and methodologies as well as more technical aspects. You need to find a good harmony and balance between design, technology and the audience you want to reach, while considering that each design project has a different “handicap” and requires an individual solution.

Before the World Wide Web was born, I experimented with different types of bulletin board systems (BBS). This precious time helped give me a fundamental knowledge and understanding of online media, and insight into the growing “online community” their behaviour, their way of thinking.

I spend a lot of time in contact with other web citizens. The possibility of expanding your circle of friendships, sharing ideas on design, architecture, photography, art and other forms of creative expressions is still one of the most fascinating sides of the web. It helps you to understand different cultures, different mentalities and different ways of thinking to achieve a sensitivity in typography and graphic design.

We would like to thank everyone for all the wonderful email messages they have sent. Our audience starts our days with sunshine every morning and keeps us on the right road. A special thanks goes to Barbara Steele for the refinement of this article.



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# the visionaries and daydreamers

*Web* designers, site developers, agencies, arts & design schools,  
Internet service providers, publishing houses and miscellaneous companies  
worldwide have already bookmarked our website. Internet users around the  
world are surfing by in order to get new ideas and inspirations in graphic  
and website design.

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## the skydivers and dreamers

Welcome to our homepage of

pixel : industries - the agency for visual

communication. We call ourselves

the visioners, the skydivers and

dreamers. Design is creation, innovation

and liberation. We are the poets in

graphic : design trying to find new ways

in expressing feelings and thoughts.

design is like the oxygen that surrounds me

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CREATION : INNOVATION : LIBERATION



**KEYWORDS:** FURIFURI CO, FURIFURI, CHARACTERS, ILLUSTRATIONS, DESIGN, GRAPHICS, TECHNO, ANIMATION, MANGA, GAME

## Furi Furi Company

<<http://www.furifuri.com>>

What is Furi Furi on the web? There is no other site as cute and cool as this one. Take a look inside and see the Furi Furi characters on parade. The navigators on the top page are Furi Furi-kun (Mr. Furi Furi) and Yoshida-kun (Mr. Yoshida). Our weekly comic "6B Leader" is probably the slowest comic series in the world. "Yamada's Diary" welcomes you with photographs that seem to change very little. If you see it once, you will want to see it again. The dynamic movement of the streaming web page that uses Flash and Real Video is fun and exciting to watch.

