



**Josh Kirby**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

**About**

*I am enthusiastic, driven and passionate towards what I genuinely enjoy doing. I am always keen to meet new people, expand on my current skills & knowledge and thrive from new challenges. I have a hands-on, innovative approach to design and aim to provide thoughtful, high quality solutions.*

*I graduated from the BA (hons) Graphic Design course at the University of Hertfordshire with First Class Honours in the summer of 2012. I initially gained experience of the creative industry as an Intern and a Freelance Designer, before gaining full time employment at RF design, London. After working for 18 months at RF design I moved to my current position as a Graphic Designer at D2 Creative.*

*In 2014, as a part of my continuous effort to improve my professional practice, I entered the D&AD New Blood awards with a packaging concept for PURDEY's (soft drink), which was awarded an 'In Book'. This was a personal project, created outside of my employment commitments.*

*In my spare time, I have a keen interest in playing rugby and mountain biking, alongside my latest hobby; rock climbing.*

**Professional Work Experience**

- Designer – D2 Creative (February 2014 – Ongoing)  
*In my current position, I am involved in a wide range of projects, which include client & project management, packaging design, POS design, branding, environmental & wayfinding design, website design and 3D rendering. I currently work with a diverse range of clients which include the third largest law firm in the world, a market leading Electronic Cigarette retailer and a national specialist insurance brand.*
- Junior Designer – RF design (October 2012 – February 2014)  
*During my time at RF design I was involved in the development of ideas and design executions for a variety of clients, which included working with a leading publisher in the Civil Society Sector, a renowned housing association and London's leading architectural antiques company. Although specialising in print, I had a range of responsibilities which included branding, editorial design, event design, interactive design, web design and client management.*
- Freelance Designer – Glenn Wills (September 2012 – January 2013)  
*While at Glenn Wills my responsibilities included creative thinking, brand creation, interface design and environment design, for a vast range of high profile international brands, including the leading British online fashion and beauty store.*
- Freelance Designer – Creative Action Design (September 2012)  
*During my time working for Creative Action Design I was responsible for the conceptualisation and design of a wide range of materials, including branding and corporate literature, required by a variety of clients, based both in the UK and Middle East.*

**Educational Qualifications**

University of Hertfordshire (2009 – 2012)  
*BA(hons) Graphic Design (First Class)*  
» Awarded Best in Show

Oaklands College (2008 – 2009)  
*BTEC Foundation Diploma in Art & Design (Distinction)*  
» City & Guilds in Life Drawing  
» Oaklands College Art and Design Award for dedication

Onslow St. Audrey's (2001 – 2008)  
*10 G.C.S.E's (all A-C)*  
*3 A-Levels (all A-C)*

**Skills**

*I have an extensive knowledge of the latest Adobe Creative Suite; I am adept with Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign. I also have a strong understanding of web and interactive design, and I have recently begun working with Cinema 4D. I am happy to create solutions using both print and digital design.*



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