



Senior Designer – Rugs and Textiles

Company Description

Knots Rugs is a London-based luxury rug company founded by MD Bonnie Sutton, with its roots spanning three generations. Recognised internationally for its distinctive aesthetic, innovative colouration, and commitment to high-art design, Knots creates both bold statement pieces and timeless classic collections. Working at the intersection of craftsmanship, contemporary design, and fine art, Knots continues to set a benchmark within the global rug industry.

Role Description

Knots Rugs is seeking a **Senior Designer** to work closely with the Creative Director on high-end luxury projects across the UK and internationally. This role involves designing collections, collaborating with artists, customising existing pieces, and developing bespoke rugs for major interior design houses.

Candidates **must** have experience within the **hand-knotted rug industry**, with an exceptional understanding of colour, composition, and design development.

This is a full-time, on-site position. As Senior Designer, you will drive innovation, lead design projects from concept through production, and ensure all work is delivered to the highest standards. You will also act as a brand ambassador, building strong client relationships and representing Knots Rugs at key industry events.

Experience & Qualifications

- Demonstrated experience designing and developing rugs and/or textiles.
 - Deep knowledge of colour theory, design principles, and current trends.
 - Strong attention to detail with the ability to work confidently in repeat, scale, and complex colour layouts.
 - Proven ability to lead projects from inception to delivery.
 - Excellent creative problem-solving skills.
 - Strong presentation, communication, and interpersonal skills.
 - Ability to thrive under pressure in a fast-paced environment.
 - Bachelor's degree in Design, Textiles, or related field.
 - **5+ years in a senior design role**, ideally within rugs or textiles.
 - A portfolio demonstrating previous work, concepts, and design methodology.
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Key Responsibilities

- Creating custom and bespoke rug designs for client projects.
 - Collaborating with artists and translating their artwork into hand-knotted rug designs.
 - Developing new in-house designs and full collections.
 - Experimenting with materials, textures, and weaving techniques.
 - Working directly with interior designers, retail clients, and international partners to bring projects to life.
 - Supporting US dealers on custom design projects.
 - Assisting with UK and international trade shows, including presentation preparation and stand design.
 - Supporting photoshoots and contributing to the ongoing development of the Knots Rugs visual identity.
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Additional Expectations

As part of a small, close-knit team, the role includes a broad range of responsibilities. You must be comfortable contributing across the business, overseeing design-led projects, and helping identify commercial opportunities. Strong organisational skills and the ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously are essential.

Technical Skills

- Excellent proficiency in Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, and InDesign.
 - Highly proficient in Microsoft Office, especially Excel.
 - Photo-editing skills preferred.
 - Experience with AutoCAD is an advantage.
 - Strong command of written and spoken English.
 - Familiarity with social media is a bonus.
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Role Details

Hours: Monday–Friday, 10am–6pm

Salary: Competitive / TBD

Location: On-site, London

If you are interested in this role, please send a covering letter and portfolio to contact@knotsrugs.co.uk.