Nikolaos (Niko) Xydakis
Creative Developer

Profile

I am a very highly motivated individual who always tries for the best result possible and am always learning new design and development techniques. My creativity never disappoints me and enables me to apply a fresh, unique look to any given project whilst meeting the needs of each client. I work well within a team and am not afraid to take lead if required, however, I will always give others the opportunity to display and develop their skills. Furthermore, my comprehensive experience of design and technology has given me the ability to produce visually striking designs whilst ensuring that they can be translated into a working product. I am able to work comfortably in a fast-paced environment and build good relationships with work colleagues and clients. I have an insatiable appetite to pursue a career that will not only utilise my skills but will create the biggest impact possible.

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Education

Bachelor of Science: Computing
University of Essex
2015-2018

Emergency First Aid at Work Certificate
University of Essex
2018

Computer Systems Support, Applications and Networks Diploma
1st Technical (Vocational) High School of Mykonos
2012-2015

Skills

Adobe Creative Cloud™	Teamwork
HTML, CSS, JS	Time Management
Typography	Organisational
Colour Psychology	Problem Solving
Android Development	Project Management
Python	Negotiation
G Suite	Bilingual

Experience

May 2018 / Present
Freelancer Designer/Developer
NX Designs

During my time as a freelance designer/developer I have completed several brand designs for clients from various fields such as hospitality, beauty and nonprofit. This has enabled me to use my knowledge and skills to transform someone's vision into artwork, whilst building a strong brand for their business. I have also been learning new skills and techniques to increase my ability.

May 2017 / June 2018
Designer
University of Essex Students' Union

Key responsibilities of this role included the creation of print and digital material for a range of clients, from internal departments to events organisations. The designs were produced for menus, posters, promotional materials and digital screens. This involved ensuring that brand guidelines were followed whilst meeting the creative briefs. The role was also an opportunity to design for a diverse student audience and develop good professional relationships.

Oct 2016 / June 2018
Project Leader / Session Leader
University of Essex Students' Union vTeam

During this creative journey the I was a session leader and the project leader of vTeam's Coding Club. Main duties included delivering coding lessons to children, lead and organize the volunteers and the committee and as an extra mile I made a logo specifically for the project which you can find in my portfolio above. This led to the team's success and in May we were awarded the Project of the Year Award 2018 as well as the Extra Mile Award 2018.

June 2016 / Sept 2016
Graphic Designer
Albatros Club Mykonos

Key responsibilities of this role included redesigning the company's logo as well as creating brand guidelines that were applied across all marketing materials including posters, business cards, staff uniforms, car stickers and other stationery. I was also tasked with redesigning, developing and maintaining the company's website to match the new brand and attract more clients.

Interests

Music | Travelling | Sketching | Photography | Swimming