Head of Design Studio

We have an exciting opportunity for a Head of Design Studio to join us at Anstey Wallpaper Company; the home of beautiful, quality wallcoverings (part of the iconic Sanderson Design Group PLC). As Head of Design Studio, you will be responsible for overseeing and managing the operations of the design studio by leading the team and ensuring the successful execution of design projects while meeting business objectives.

With a proud history stretching back more than 100 years, Anstey Wallpaper Company has achieved an enviable reputation as one of the most versatile, professional and capable wallcovering printers in the world.

We cover the full spectrum of printing technologies, old and new alike with machines including Surface & Surflex, Flexographic, Gravure, Rotary/Gravure Hybrid, Rotary Screen, Digital, Flat Screen, a Scattering Line, Converting machinery as well as Hand Block Printing.

Responsibilities

- Collaborate with cross-functional teams, clients, and stakeholders to deliver high-quality design and support the marketing of products and capabilities
- Provide leadership, guidance, and mentorship to a team of Designers, fostering a collaborative and creative work environment
- Assign and delegate design projects to team members based on their skills and expertise
- Conduct regular performance evaluations, provide feedback, and identify opportunities for professional development
- Promote a culture of innovation, continuous learning, and excellence in design execution
- Oversee the end-to-end project management process, ensuring timely delivery of design projects while adhering to quality standards
- Collaborate with clients, stakeholders, and internal teams to gather project requirements, establish project scopes, and manage expectations
- Develop project timelines, allocate resources, and monitor project progress to ensure ontime and within-budget delivery
- Anticipate and mitigate potential project risks and issues, making necessary adjustments to meet project goals
- Work to create a timeline aligned with business requirements for marketing all exhibitions, products and capabilities
- Collaborate with stakeholders to define design strategies, aligning them with business objectives and brand guidelines
- Lead the conceptualization and creation of design solutions, ensuring they are visually appealing, user-centric, and align with project requirements
- Review and provide constructive feedback on design concepts, ensuring they meet quality standards and brand consistency
- Stay updated with industry trends, emerging design technologies, and best practices to drive innovation and elevate the quality of design deliverables
- Build and maintain strong relationships with clients, understanding their design needs, and providing exceptional customer service
- Collaborate with cross-functional teams, such as marketing, product management, and development, to align design efforts with overall business objectives

- Communicate design concepts, project updates, and recommendations effectively to clients, stakeholders, and team members
- Ensure our Health and Safety policy is adhered to within your teams and the broader organisation, exhibiting such behaviour yourself

Skills & Experience

- Bachelor's degree in Design, Fine Arts, or a related field and/or equivalent
- Proven experience (10 years) in managing a design studio or team
- Experienced Designer
- Knowledge of trends & fabrics
- Commercial experience of the Interior Fabrics market UK & Export
- Excellent technical knowledge of print & woven textiles
- Strong project management skills with the ability to handle multiple projects simultaneously
- Proficient in design software and tools such as Adobe Creative Suite/AVA/CAD
- Excellent understanding of design principles, visual aesthetics, and user-centred design methodologies
- Strong leadership and team management skills, with the ability to inspire and motivate a creative team
- Exceptional communication, presentation, and interpersonal skills
- Attention to detail, with a focus on delivering high-quality design solutions
- Ability to adapt to changing priorities and work in a fast-paced environment

If you wish to apply, please send your CV to jobs@sandersondesigngroup.com

About us

Sanderson Design Group is an international luxury interior furnishings company that designs, manufactures and markets wallpapers and fabrics together with a wide range of ancillary interior products.

In 2020, we brought our portfolio of brands home to Sanderson Design Group, evoking the combined longevity and prodigious creative history of our brands. Sanderson Design Group describes the ebullience of our past endeavours. It sketches the outline of our future. A collective of quintessentially British luxury interior brands and 2 manufacturing brands, at Sanderson Design Group we are Sanderson, Morris & Co., Zoffany, Harlequin, Clarke & Clarke, Scion, Anstey Wallpaper Company and Standfast & Barracks.

Our purpose is "To bring the Beautiful into People's Homes and Lives". This has defined and shaped our brands since our very earliest days. The oldest brand in our arsenal, from where we derive the namesake of our group, begun life in 1860, as an importer of fine French wallpapers to London. Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd played a pivotal role in defining English interior decoration tastes and its early success led to displaying designs at London's finest showroom, at Berners Street. Around this time in 1924, Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd were awarded The Royal Warrant, becoming "purveyors of wallpaper and paint" to the court of George V.

We recognise that each one of our brands contributes a unique chapter to our story. It is why we represent the full spectrum of British interior design, catering from cutting-edge sleek modern styles, to the hearty warmth of traditional forms. Our decision to rebrand as Sanderson Design

Group in 2020 is our way of paying homage to our rich history, as well as marking our path towards a new future. As custodians of over 160 years of design experience, we are proud to Bring the Beautiful into People's Homes and Lives. We are Sanderson Design Group.