

For the love of design

A celebration of our community's most inspirational work.



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To our community
of designers
competing together,
creating together
and growing together.

— *And the clients who inspire them!*



by miridi

Design is incredibly powerful.



It solves problems, changes attitudes, builds businesses and shapes markets. By creating a platform for talented designers to connect with clients, we're on a mission to build a better, more well-designed world. Which is why we champion one idea above all else: the power of design.

To accelerate the careers of our designers.

To support our customers' businesses.

To solve problems through creativity and give everyone's ideas a voice.

We couldn't be more excited to share some of the most inspirational ways our community has harnessed the power of design.

Our goal is to help people
around the world create
and grow.

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- 1 by Freshinnet for Avery Schwenk
- 2 by gelaptakgulita for Palmer Dean
- 3 by *sabrina* for Kayla Phillips
- 4 by Nixonlam for Stephen Aarstol
- 5 by The gonz for Max Porritt
- 6 by Emanuela for Ryan Horsnail & Tasha Hacker
- 7 by -Leslie- for Nancy Roe

Our community consists of more than 1 million designers from 192 countries.

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- 1 PattyAnne
- 2 Terry Bogard
- 3 by ilustreishon
- 4 by Widakk
- 5 Carlos Afonso
- 6 Kseka
- 7 by Martis Lupus
- 8 by kazoe
- 9 Giulio Rossi
- 10 99Spy
- 11 by dinuty

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Design can't be bothered with borders.

Or time zones. That's why we're never surprised when a designer in Indonesia delivers exactly what a customer in Ireland was looking for, or vice versa.

Inspiration has never needed a passport. And great ideas have never stopped at borders.



by LittleFox



Logo & Identity

Logo designers are storytellers. They carry a mighty responsibility: to create a commanding visual brand that sets the tone for everything else to come.

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- 1 by PrštiPerje
- 2 by Brandsational
- 3 by Abrakadabra
- 4 by TheLogoist
- 5 by Matt W
- 6 by indra kh

artsigma is one of the most prolific and respected designers on 99designs. Working daily on the platform, he's built out an international portfolio of clients enthralled with his minimalist approach to identity design. Thanks to his success, he's been able to fulfill many of his dreams.

I am passionate about what I do and always try to create the best design – not only to please the client, but to show myself that I can be better every day.



Tell us a little about yourself.

My name is Eduardo. I am 25 years old, Brazilian and have a degree in graphic design. I've worked as a graphic designer for approximately eight years and have spent four years doing creative competitions.

How does 99designs fit into your life? Do you work on the site full-time?

99designs opened a large door for me and has helped me realize many of my dreams. I work almost every day. Of course there is a need to work, but I do it mostly out of pleasure.

[The platform] connected me with many designers and clients internationally and has given me a lot of opportunity to show my work further. I managed to buy a house, a car and I'm about to get married. If I was just working at my last job, it would have taken 12 years or more to happen. For this I am eternally grateful.

You've become very prolific on our site. How do you stay so motivated?

The love for this profession. Obviously there is a need to make money, but I do it more out of love. I am passionate about what I do and always try to create the best design – not only to please the client, but to show myself that I can be better every day.



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Widakk

Name

Srdjan Vidakovic

Location

Serbia

The first contest Widakk ever entered, he won. As a self-taught beginner, it was just the affirmation he needed. Today, he's improved his skills tremendously and grown into a skilled professional designer, boasting a beautiful vintage style and winning 2014's Ultimate Top 9 competition.

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You need to be patient and not be afraid to make mistakes. If you are ready to work hard, eventually you will succeed.



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- 1 Deep Brewing Co.
- 2 Adstronaut
- 3 Lake Wilcox Brewing
- 4 Oregon Grain Growers

Brand Identity Pack

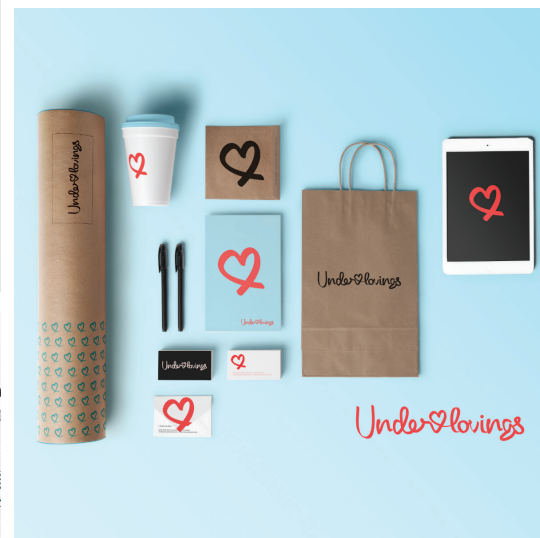
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- 1 by pixelshifter
- 2 by goopanic for nibbla
- 3 by CogitoDesigns for Simple Soil
- 4 by nnorth
- 5 by Project 4 for VoCo Fresh
- 6 by Agi Amri

Web & App

Tech-savvy and future thinking, web and app designers thrive on the cutting edge. They've got a pulse on constantly changing platforms and mastery across online media.



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- 1 by Issigonis for sound recorder
- 2 by Omar Aly for FusionSquared
- 3 by Igor Vensko for ROAST
- 4 by bound for Blacktie

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UndoRedo

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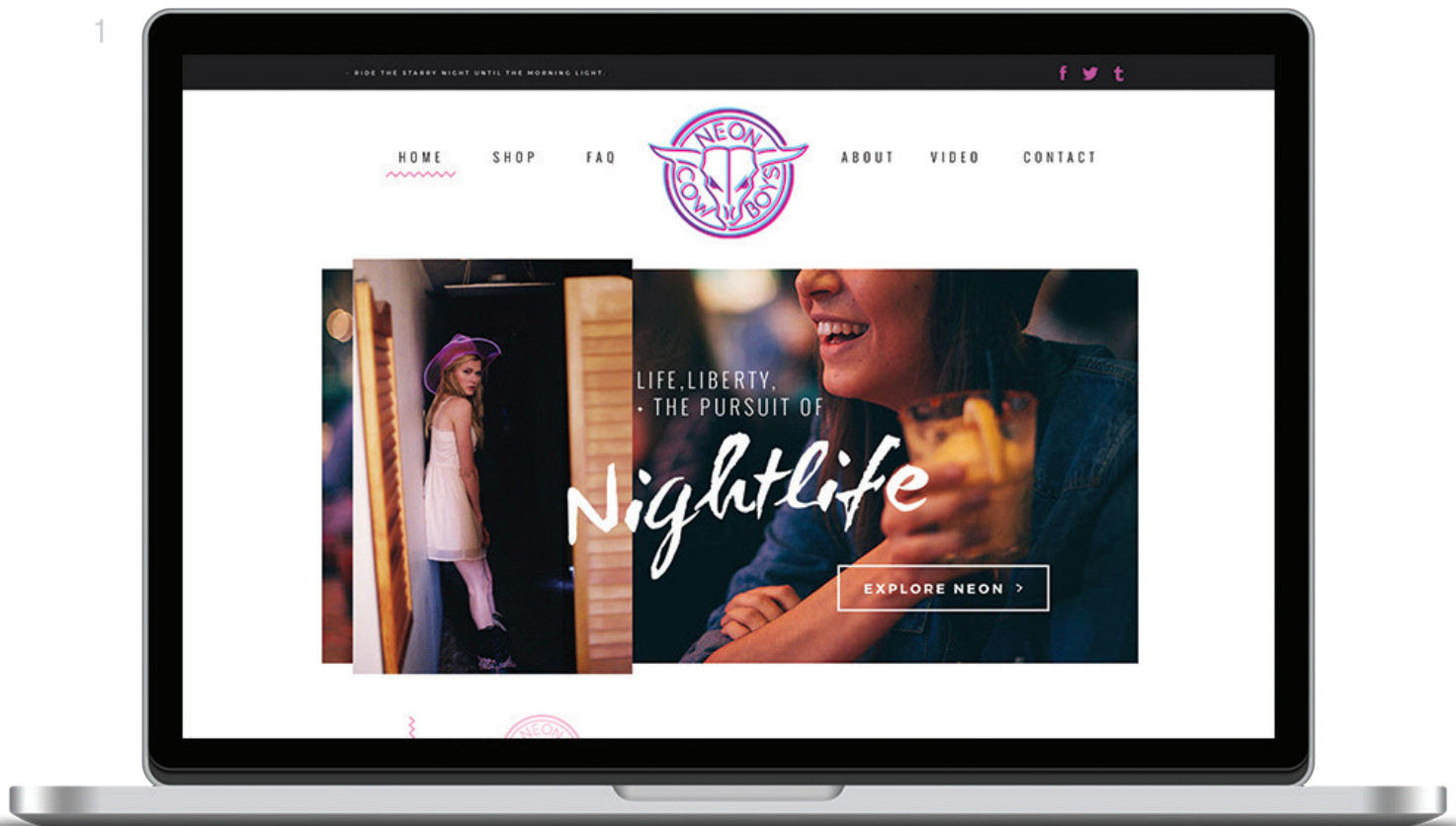
Tiffany Tannone

Location

USA

While UndoRedo always considered herself a “hobby artist”, her introduction to 99designs proved to be a life-changer. Over the past few years, she’s been able to test out her creative profession, build out her skill set and solidify her signature illustrative style. Today, she’s fully prepared to pursue a professional career in web design – as we’re sure you’ll see with a quick glance at her portfolio.

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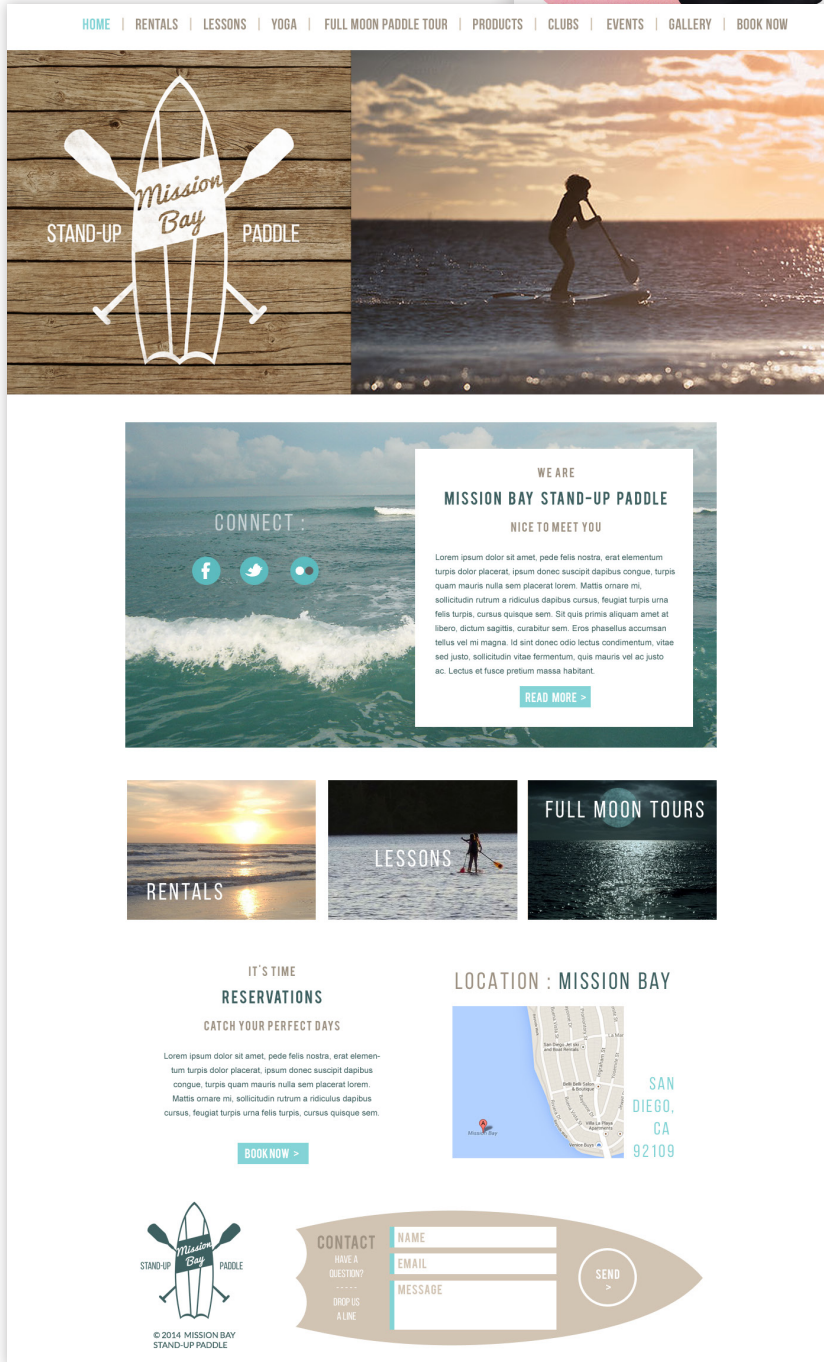


- 1 for Neon Cowboys
- 2 for Mission Bay
- 3 for Lovers' Yoga

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A great art style can distinguish a business from it's competition – and convey personality in a way a lot of stock photography fails to do.

Mike Kirby

Name

Michael Kirby

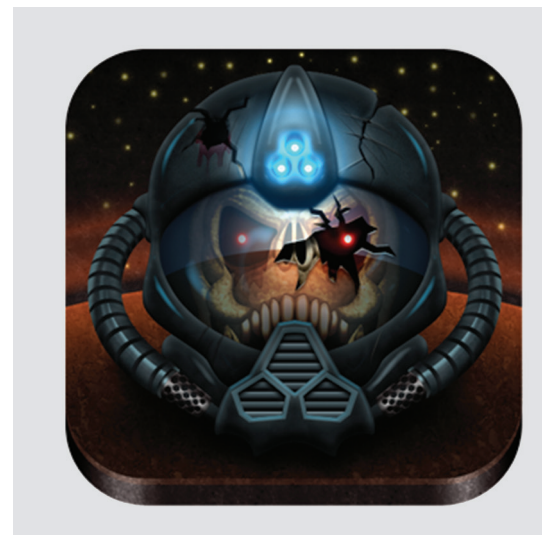
Location

United Kingdom



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Mike Kirby spent years working as a creative director at a small design studio. But when he moved on to pursue his own projects during the recession, 99designs helped him source clients outside his local network. With a steady stream of flexible work coming in through the platform, Mike was free to finish and launch his gaming app in the Apple Store.



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- 1 for Coffee Club (mockup)
- 2 for DoomKnight
- 3 for Henning
- 4 for NYC Bike

The fast payouts and potential for quick client generation [on 99designs] afforded me the ability to rapidly scale up or scale down my client base and paid work, leaving me free to continue to pursue the game development.



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Button & Icon

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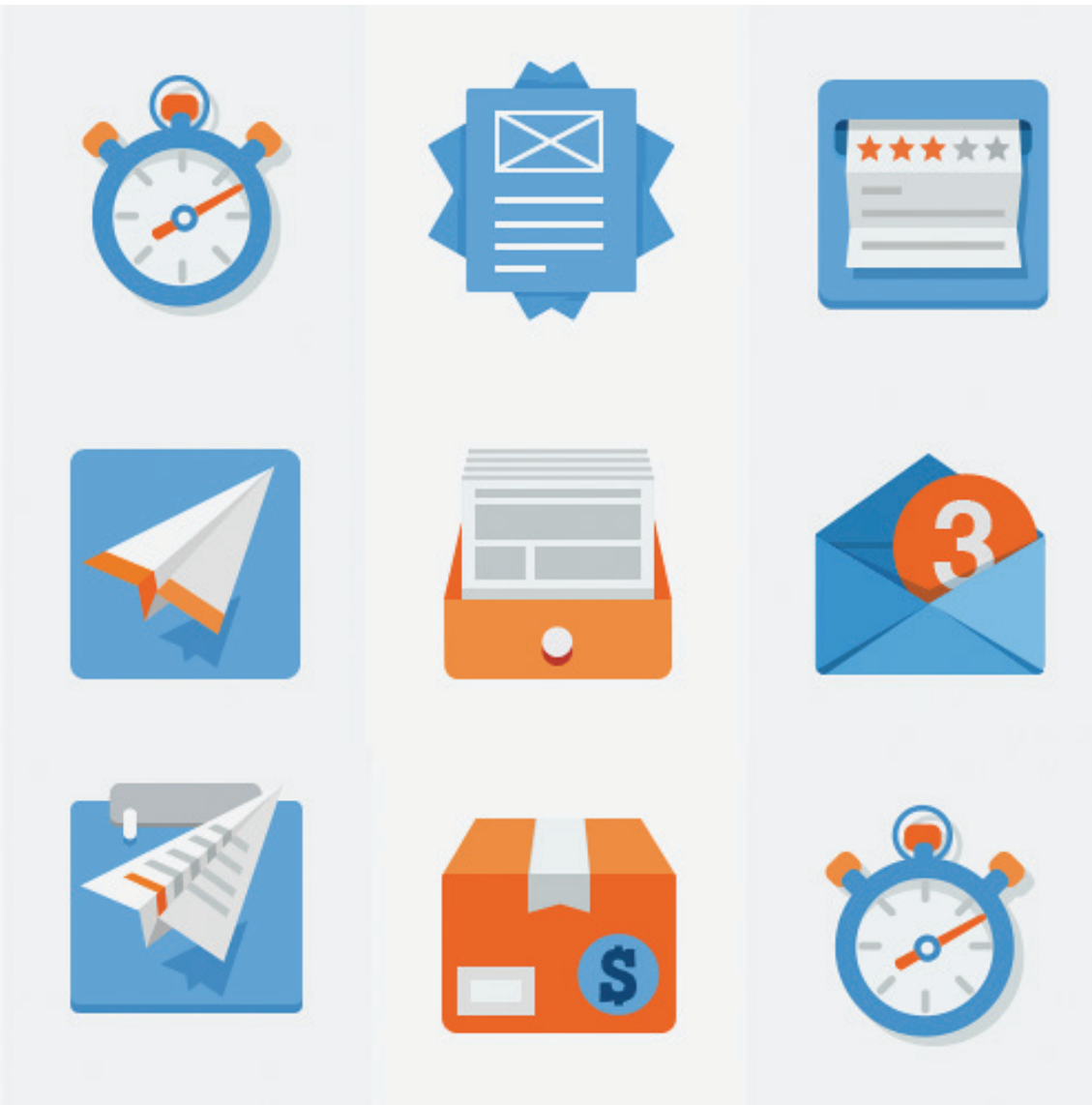
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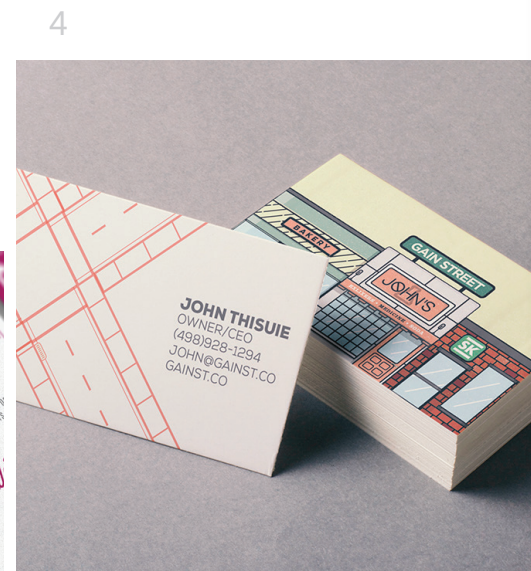


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- 1 by weirdeetz for 3DBall
- 2 by boomBox for Spaceship Alpha
- 3 by Joekirei for Poster Boy
- 4 by RaidenDesign for CircleFox
- 5 by ozonostudio for ScanShare
- 6 by Northwood for 99designs

Business & Advertising

With a keen eye for visual hierarchy, these designers are a breed all their own. They tackle a blink-and-you'll-miss-it audience with eye-catching creative.





Sam Walton, Walmart
STARTUPVITAMINS

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- 1 by Ferret&Sheep for Samojó
- 2 by sheva™ for Makeup Geek
- 3 by nevergohungry
- 4 by Nick Terry for Gain Street
- 5 by MattDyckStudios
- 6 by DhoBee for StartupVitamins

smashingbug

Name

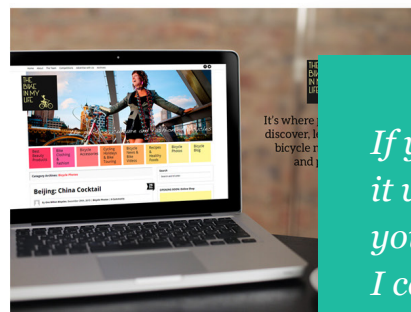
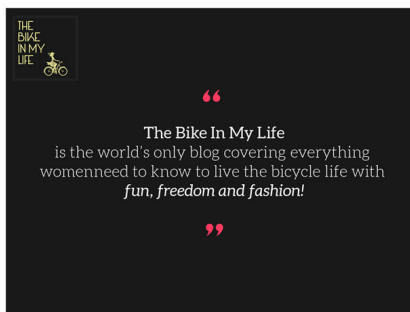
Didem Dönmez

Location

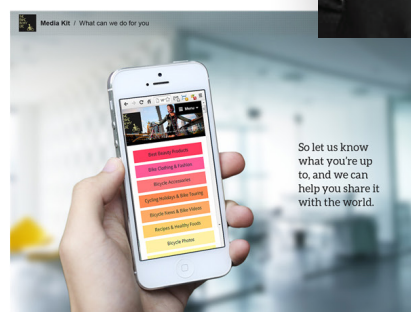
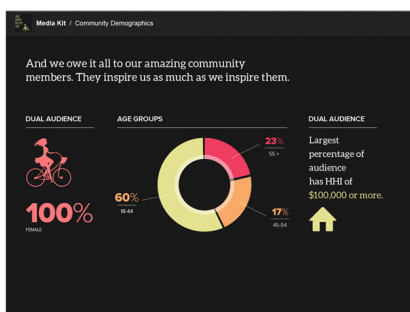
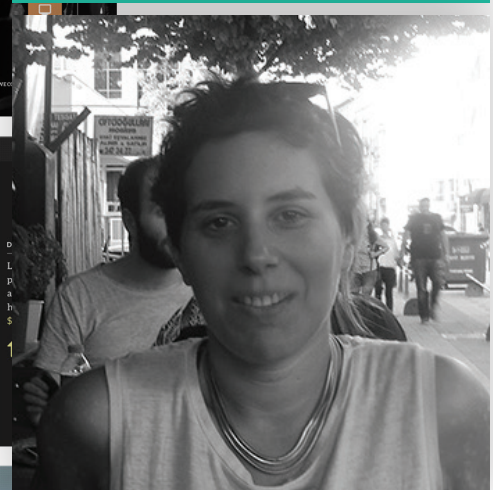
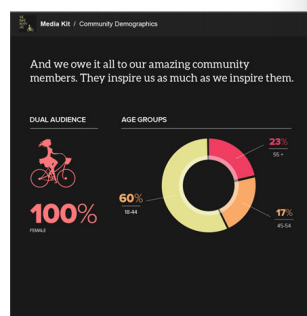
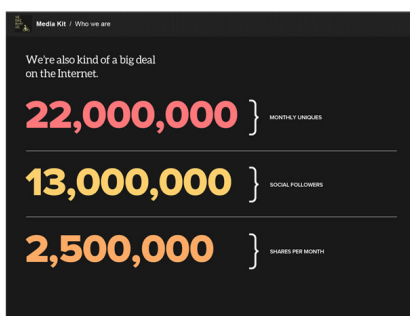
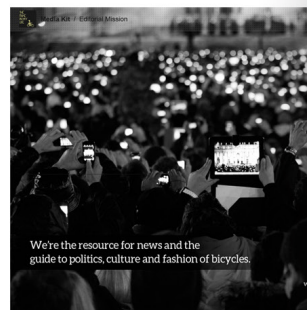
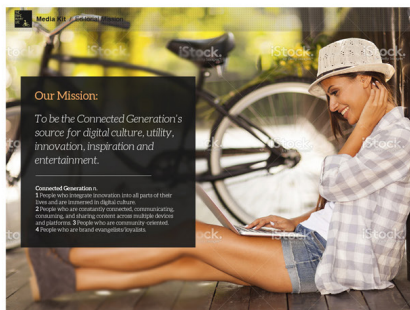
Turkey

smashingbug always wanted to become a freelance designer. Her dream was realized after quitting her job as a dental assistant and learning Illustrator with the help of her husband. One of our earliest designers, she's developed a clean style and branding savvy that's proven perfect for PowerPoint.

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If you love your job, then it will never be a job for you. Design is my life. I can't breathe if I stop designing. It is in my blood. It is more than a job for me.



www.soundstation.com

NEW MUSIC. EVERYDAY.

SHAUN NEWSUM

Born and raised in Brooklyn, NY, my career began at the age of 14 where I learned to code. By time I was 18 years old I already started businesses, PCPlanet a computer reseller, IPOWatchdog.com, a financial alert service. Subsequently, I enrolled at Rochester Institute of Technology and graduated in 2005.

From then, I went on to start my own company specializing in developing Adobe Flex applications for a wide range of clients. Most notably, **Wei Adobe Consulting, NFL, MLB.com** and **Twitter**.

I currently reside in Santa Monica, CA with my wife and two children.

MARKET SIZE

Today we have **28 million** paying subscribers or more, up from **8 million** just 12 months ago. I don't see any reason why this won't be **100 million** in the near future.

EDGAR BERGER
President & CEO - CEO International, Sony Music Entertainment

MARKET ADOPTION

100K
mobile app users to date

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FOLLOW US ON

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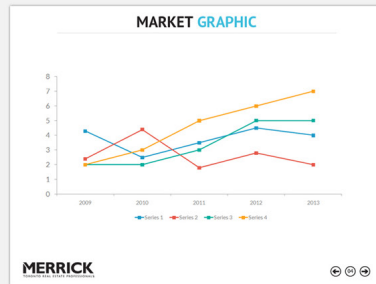
- 1 for The Bike in My Life
- 2 for Soundstation
- 3 for Merrick

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WHERE WE GO, GROW AND INVEST

TORONTO IN DEMAND

- Multicultural + education + resources
- Continuing immigration
- Short supply of houses



MERRICK MATTERS

- Industry depth
- Reach across Greater Toronto Area
- Broad team expertise
- Different client areas:

FIRST TIME BUYERS

EXECUTIVES

RELOCATION

FAMILY PROPERTIES

MERRICK

WE BRING KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE & PROFESSIONALISM TO ALL OUR CLIENT ACTIVITIES.

Benefiting from over 30 years of housing industry experience, we know the properties and locations of Toronto's real estate. Our multi-expert team works in neighbourhoods across Central Toronto, providing professional advice on real estate sales and marketing, design, development and investing.

MERRICK

OUR TEAM

Our team of expert consultants brings a total of 100 years of experience in the industry, and 50 years in consulting across the country to your facility to address needs.

SAUL MERRICK, CEO
and President

SARAH MERRICK
and Vice President

ROBERT MERRICK
and Vice President

MERRICK

"Our goal is to make buying and selling real estate a comfortable and rewarding experience for clients."

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REFERRALS ARE APPRECIATED

- Always welcome
- Please think of us

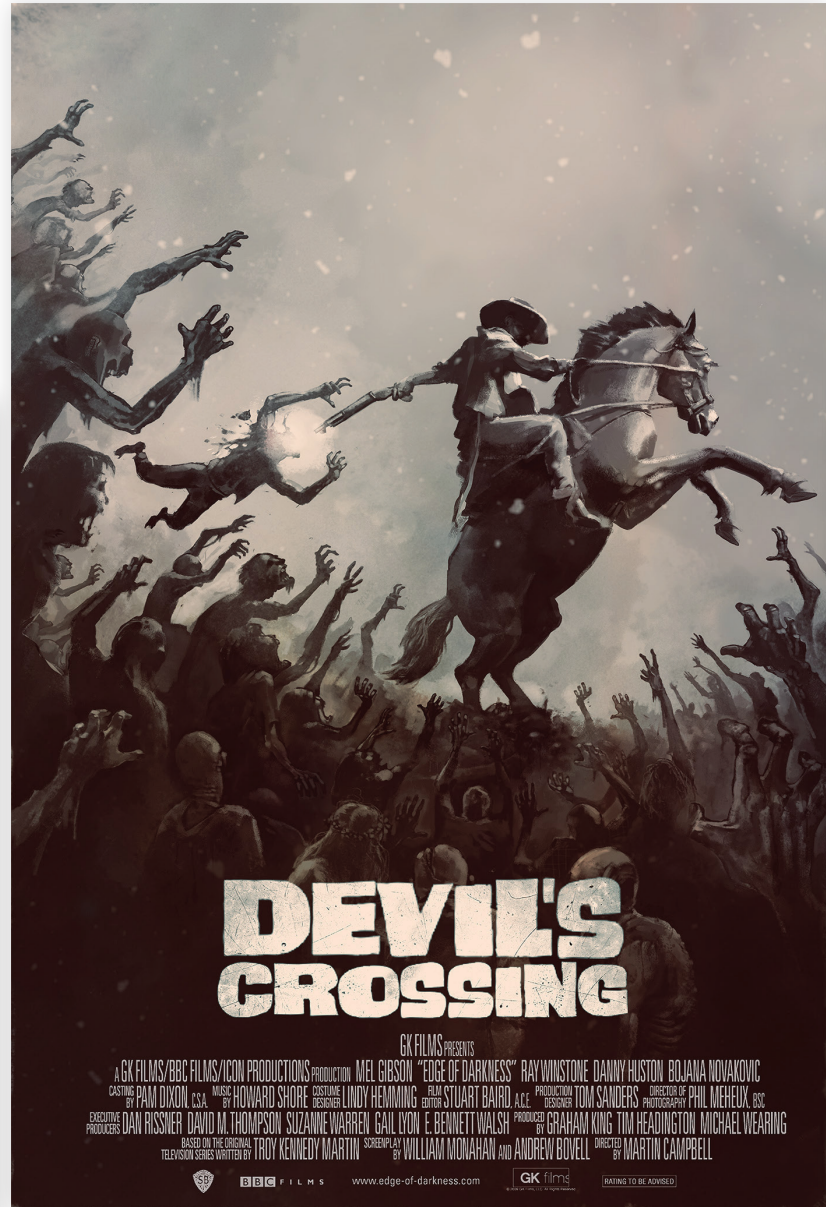
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- 1 by .adihb for Palmer Vintage
- 2 by ilustreishon
- 3 by BATHI for 99designsCup
- 4 by subsiststudios

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FILM MOVEMENT PRESENTS



Sali Designs

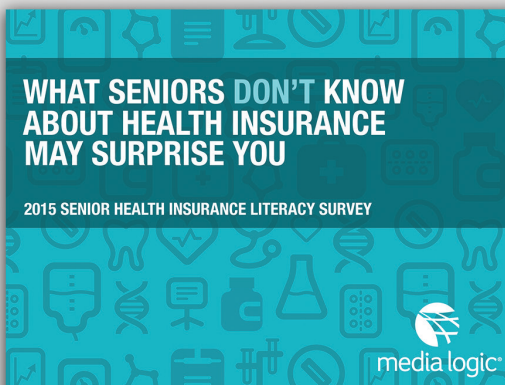
Name

Salima Lamiri

Location

Morocco

Sali Designs is a model designer for 99designs' continuous educational efforts. Not only has she been consistently good at PowerPoint template design, but she's been diligently involved in webinars and discussions on the Forum to continuously improve and upskill. In September, she was awarded Platinum designer status. Shortly after, she was named the winner in our PowerPoint Most-Shortlisted competition! Some call it a lucky streak, but we believe it's her genuine passion and her willingness to learn.



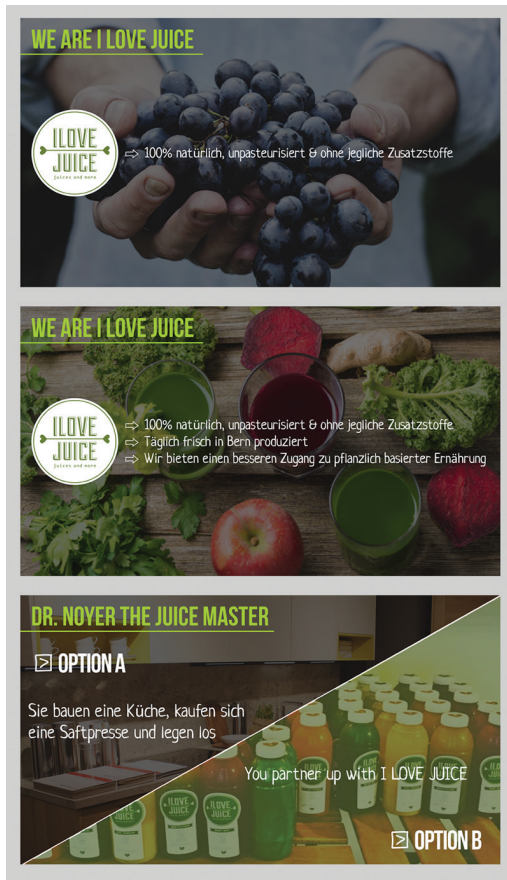
MEDIA LOGIC RECENTLY SURVEYED MORE THAN 400 MEN AND WOMEN OVER THE AGE OF 65 ON ISSUES SURROUNDING HEALTH INSURANCE LITERACY.

We wanted to know what today's seniors understand about how their Medicare health insurance works, and what they don't. Where they needed help, and whether they felt they were getting that help from their insurance companies.

- ▶ Are seniors confident about their knowledge of how health insurance works?
- ▶ Do they know common terminology?
- ▶ Can they calculate costs factoring in co-insurance and deductibles?
- ▶ How do they feel about the support they get?



- 1 for Media Logic
- 2 for I Love Juice
- 3 for Star Coders



How did you first get into design?

I decided to refresh my web developing skills before sending out my resume, so I watched a video tutorial about web design and one of the sites used as an example was 99designs. I paused the video to take a look and came across [my first contest]. I wasn't even aware of the existence of the PowerPoint Design category. I was so inspired by the brief that I started working on the slide designs instantly.

For the first time in a very long time, I was so excited and enjoyed the rush of the competition that I gave myself a month to try and see if I could make it by designing PowerPoint slides. Suffice to say, I never finished that tutorial video!

What do you think you'd be doing if you weren't on 99designs?

It would be too boring for words! But thankfully that's not the case. I'm so grateful for the opportunity that 99designs gave me – to be able to work from home with clients from all over the world; to have less worries financially; to wake up every day, energized and enjoying the work so much that I have to sometimes get reminded to sleep!

Car, Truck & Van Wrap

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- 1 by Levi.
- 2 by rangerstudio for The Broken Fork
- 3 by Sebastian P
- 4 by green in blue
- 5 by Mr. Ozz
- 6 by eslopez23



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Infographic & Menu

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912.876.7622
ouruncommongrounds.coffee
facebook: uncommon grounds

TO - GO

CAPPUCCINO - 3.75
An Italian coffee drink which is traditionally prepared with espresso, hot milk, and steamed-milk foam

LATTE - 3.75
A coffee drink made with espresso and steamed milk

BREVE - 4.75
An American variation of a latte : a milk-based espresso drink using steamed half-and-half mixture of milk and cream instead of milk

AMERICANO - 2.75
This drink consists of a single or double-shot of espresso combined with up to four or five ounces of hot water

UNCOMMON LATTE - 4.50

UN-COFFEE

CHAI LATTE - 4.00
A blend of black tea and herbs and spices with steamed-milk. Available in spiced, raspberry or vanilla flavors

HOT TEA - 2.75
A variety of teas steeped in hot water

HOT CHOCOLATE - 3.25
Piping hot and creamy milk chocolate

FRUIT SMOOTHIE - 4.75
KIDZ KREAMZ - 4.50
A child's personalized frozen beverage. Ice, blended with milk and your choice of bubble gum or cotton candy flavor

ITALIAN SODA - 3.50
A sparkling beverage consisting of your favorite flavor and carbonated water (only one size available)

THE UNCOMMONS

CLUB - 8.95
Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef, Bacon, Swiss & Provolone served between three slices of toasted white bread, topped with lettuce, tomato, and mayonnaise

MIDNIGHT - 6.99
Roast Beef and Turkey with Swiss cheese griddled on Rye bread and topped with our house Italian Blend and pickles

JUDGE - 6.99
Turkey and Coleslaw topped with Thousand Island and Swiss cheese. Served griddled on wheat bread

SQUEALER - 6.95
Ham and bacon served griddled on white bread with

THE BASICS

BLT - 6.99
Your traditional BLT with the tomato, lettuce, and bacon 'squared'. Served on toasted white bread with mayo

REUBEN - 6.95
Corned beef and sauerkraut with thousand island dressing and swiss cheese. Served griddled on rye bread

TRIPLE CHEESY - 4.25
American cheese and white bread griddled to perfection. Great combination with our soup or chili

KI.S.S.S - 4.95
Build your own sandwich! Price is adjusted based on meats and cheeses. Meats: Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef, or Corned Beef. Cheese: American, Provolone, or Swiss

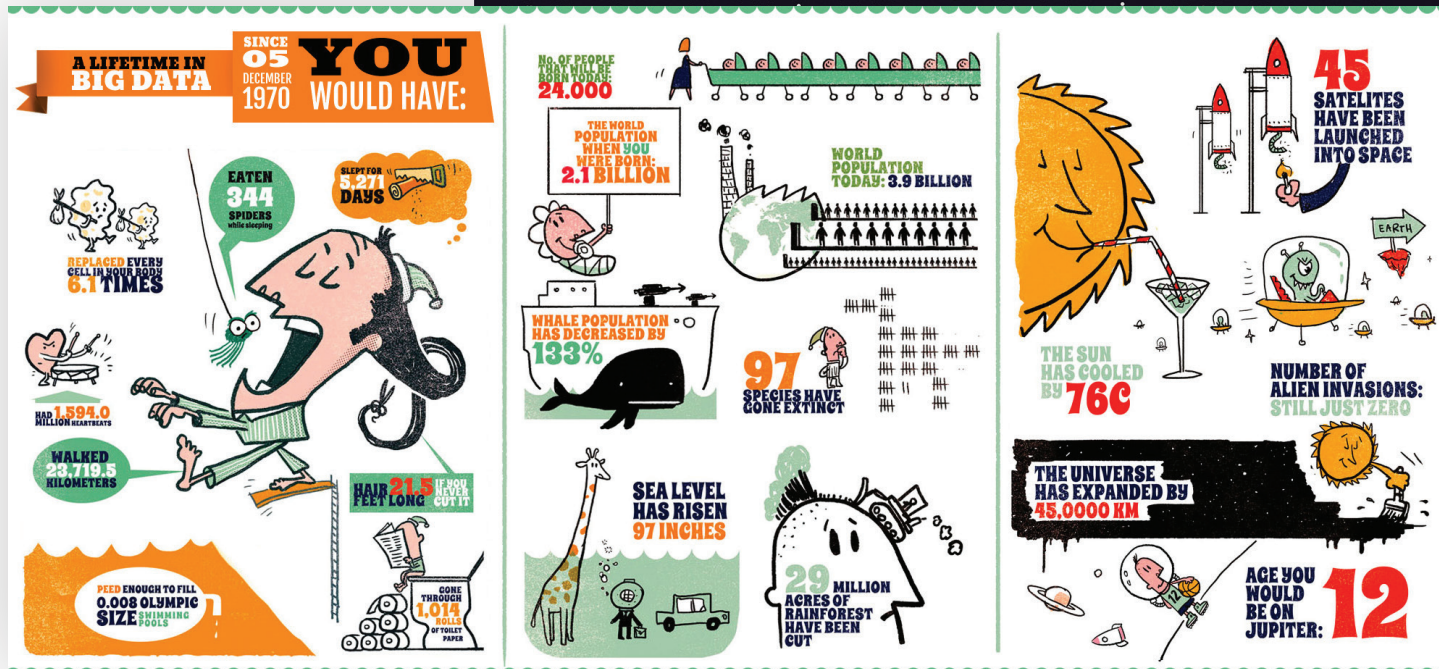
SALADS AND SOUPS

CAESAR SALAD - 4.59
Fresh green leaf lettuce served with grated parmesan cheese, croutons, and caesar dressing

CHEF SALAD - 6.99
Fresh green leaf lettuce served with sliced ham and turkey, tomatoes, cucumber, croutons, cheddar cheese, and your choice of dressing

HOUSE SALAD - 4.59
Fresh green leaf lettuce served with tomatoes, cucumber, onions, croutons, cheddar cheese, and your choice of dressing

CHICKEN SALAD - 6.95
A homemade favorite served on wheat bread or on



- 1 by Pinch Studio for A Lifetime in Big Data
- 2 by sonics.lab for Uncommon Grounds
- 3 by sundayrain
- 4 by Miss Rose
- 5 by Frau Fabissina for company values

seven easy steps to...

BARE FOOT

A GUIDE TO RUNNING BAREFOOT

START HERE!

TIPS

- ☐ Watch toddlers run and imitate them!
- ☐ Don't land on your midfoot, or the ball of your foot!
- ☐ Don't land on your heel! Land on your midfoot, or the ball of your foot, and you can let your heel touch the ground lightly after that.
- ☐ Increase your stride rate. Move your feet about 30% faster than what feels "normal" [this will be about 160-190 steps per minute]
- ☐ Think about getting your feet off the ground as fast as possible!
- ☐ Be a taught spring: Keep your abs engaged
- ☐ Making your arms "shorter" helps keep your stride rate up
- ☐ Experiment with your gait. With every step, wonder, "How can I make this feel light, easy, and take less effort?" Then try something and see if it works.
- ☐ Don't run "further than your feet"... if it hurts, even a little, STOP! You're done for the day.

COMMON ISSUES

BLISTERS

When your feet touch the ground, you're either pulling them toward you, pushing them behind you, or both. Instead, **PLACE** your feet underneath you more, and **LIFT** your feet off the ground.

ACHILLES PAIN

Don't stay on your toes. Don't push with your feet.

SORE MUSCLES

After you rest and recover, on your next run wonder, "How can I run with less effort?"

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BAREFOOT IS BAREFOOT!

Fingertoes are not barefoot. Nike Free are not barefoot. Xero Shoes are the closest, but even those aren't the same as when you Feel The World™ with your feet.

2

FIND A SMOOTH, HARD SURFACE

Bike path, sidewalk, certain streets. Hard and smooth gives you the feedback you need to know how well you're doing.



Running on grass is like taking the cushion from your shoes and putting it in the ground. **DON'T DO IT AT FIRST.**

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RUN FOR ONLY 200 YARDS

(or meters, depending on where you live)



SEE THE BAREFOOT RUNNING TIPS

4

STOP!



Which part of "Only 200 yards" did you think I was kidding about?

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BECOME YOUR OWN COACH

WAIT FOR 24 HOURS AND SEE HOW YOU FEEL

I FEEL FINE!

WAIT AT LEAST ANOTHER DAY.

ADD 100 YARDS TO YOUR NEXT RUN.

24 HOURS

VERY SORE.

USED YOUR MUSCLE TOO MUCH

REST UNTIL YOU FEEL FINE. THEN REST ONE MORE DAY.

GO BACK TO 3

DID SOMETHING WRONG (SOF BLISTERS OR MORE...)

NEXT TIME, CHANGE YOUR GAIT.

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EXPAND AND INTEGRATE



SEE SEPARATE CHARTS.

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HAVE FUN!!

If you're not having fun, do something different until you are!

EXPAND

ONCE YOU CAN COMFORTABLY RUN A DISTANCE YOU LIKE

RUN ON OTHER SURFACES (TRAILS, ROADS, GRASS, AND EVEN GRASS!)



INTEGRATE

ADD MORE BAREFOOT DAYS TO YOUR SCHEDULE

START WITH ONE DAY A WEEK

ADD A SECOND DAY AT LEAST 2 DAYS LATER (TRY THIS FOR 2 WEEKS)

SORE/TIRED/HURT

BACK OFF TO 1 DAY

STICK WITH 2 DAYS A WEEK

ADD A THIRD DAY WITH AT LEAST ONE DAY REST IN BETWEEN (TRY THIS FOR 2 WEEKS)

SORE/TIRED/HURT

FEELS GREAT!

FEELS GOOD

FEELS GREAT!

YOU CAN

OUR VALUES

START AND END WITH WHY?



Keep a close focus on the purpose, and the end result

DELIVER CUSTOMER IMPACT



Help people

BRING YOURSELF TO WORK



Find ways to showcase the best parts of who you are

EVOLVE



Promote change for the better

COLLABORATE WITH HEART



Seek to make a difference



Extend yourself beyond the familiar



Have truthful interactions and seek meaningful connections



Learn from your mistakes



Take time to contribute to a shared vision



Be responsive to changing needs



Take time to give positive feedback



Find opportunities to keep learning and to teach others



Treat everyone that you engage with as a precious commodity



JUICE BAR AND CAFÉ

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WHAT IS COLD PRESS JUICING?



Cold press juicing is a slow & meticulous process of **pressing fruits & vegetables** between two stainless steel metal plates at high pressures.

There is relatively **little heat** involved in the process.



The fruits & vegetables maintain up to **5 times more nutritional integrity** and maintain more enzymes than traditional juicing methods.

There is **no pasteurisation** in the process, making our juice effectively 'fresh & raw'.



Cold press juices have a **shelf life of up to 72 hours**, but **we sell ours within 48 hours** to be extra sure you are getting the best from us.

Each of our 500ml juices holds almost **1kg of vegetables & fruits**.



Clothing & Merchandise

Obsessed with fashion fads, gallant graphics and powerful patterns, these apparel designers know how to make their clients look good.

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Horror Rudey

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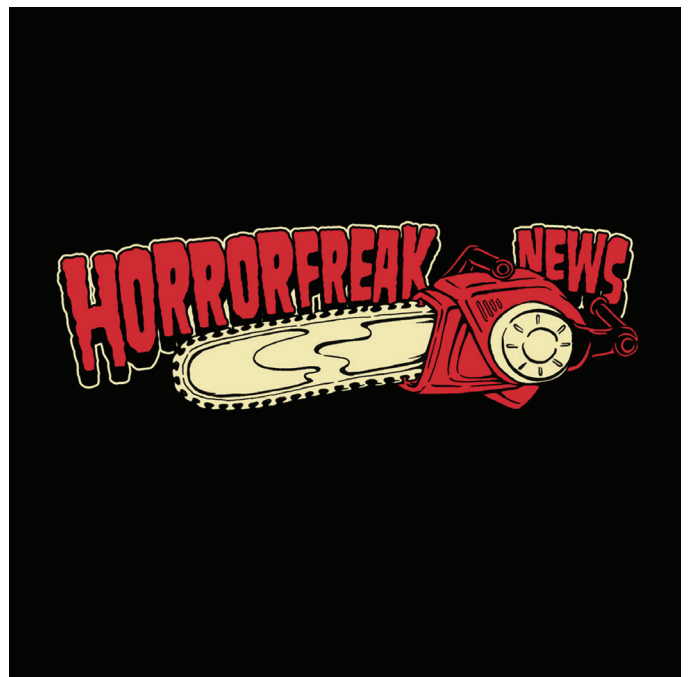
Edo Kautsar Ma'ruf

Location

Indonesia

What do you get when you mash up the visual equivalents of Rockabilly and '80s horror punk? We didn't know it could be done, but the answer is Horror Rudey—a truly distinctive and expertly skilled illustrator, specializing in t-shirt designs on 99designs.

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- 1 for Horror Freak News
- 2 for mens humor tee
- 3 for Hollywood Horror
- 4 for Head Hunter from Outerspace

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HEAD HUNTER
FROM OUTERSPACE



I see myself as making old school art in a modern style, and vice versa. The result is that people feel familiar with my art, even if it is something they have never seen before. That's what keeps it "weird".

T-shirt



- 1 by stevenmink for dog-themed tee
- 2 by _ELM_
- 3 by dinuty
- 4 by Dudeowl for quirky tee
- 5 by kazoe for Yooralla/Dangerfield

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Other Clothing & Merchandise

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- 1 by Krisren28 for phone case
- 2 by methlop39 for phone case
- 3 by yulianzone for phone case
- 4 by Executor for Gameizm
- 5 by borsuczysko for mug

Art & Illustration

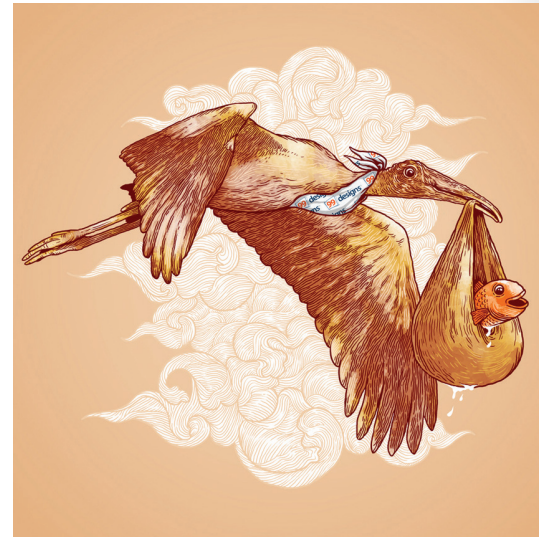
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Rare and remarkable, these designers bring a bold mix of creativity, beauty and personal style to the drawing board.

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- 1 by anglorya for MTG playmat
- 2 by BATHI for 99designs
- 3 by kuyanami for Swiss Fairytale
- 4 by Robots In Love for skate deck
- 5 by gOrange for The Silent Roads
- 6 by miridi for Townes the Cat



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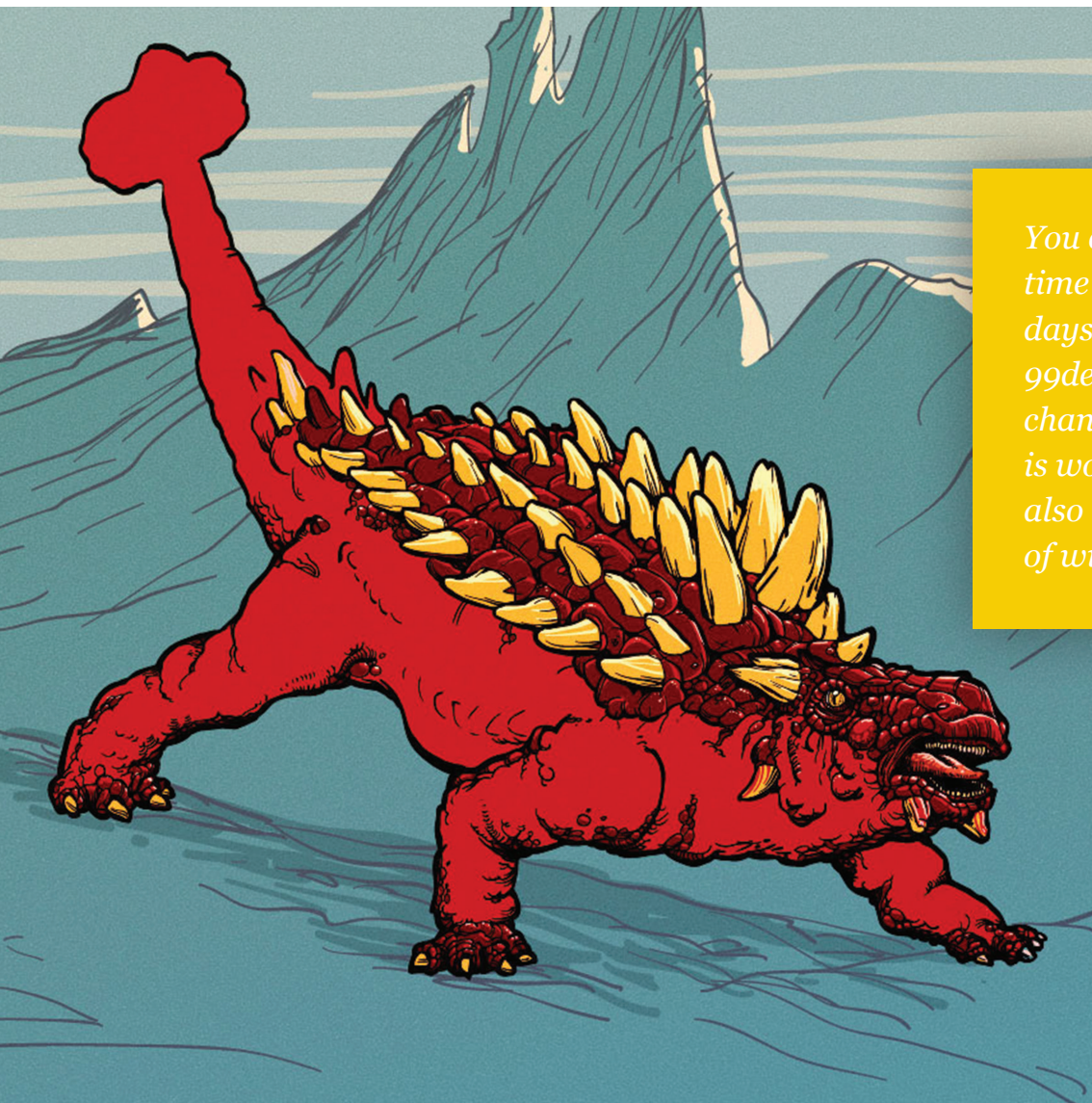
Drawing was always a natural form of expression for ilustreishon. While his illustrative style may shift from project to project, his work often delves deep into human-like characters and surrealist worlds we could never have imagined – yet absolutely adore.

- 1 for Quiznos
- 2 for Chop Shop
- 3 for Rap Crusader
- 4 for Ankylosaurus poster

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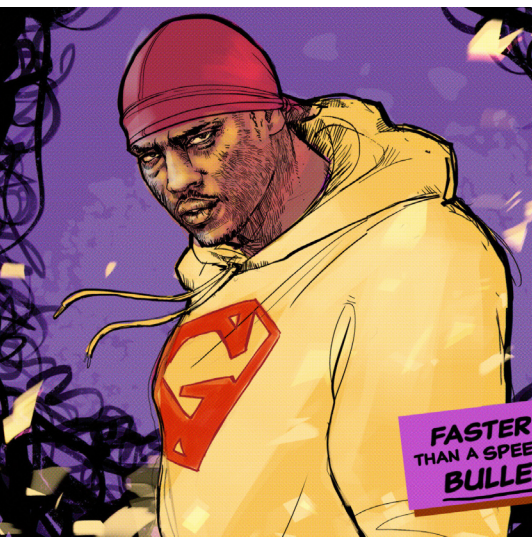


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You can manage your time and not spend 5 days on spec work at 99designs. I know my chances and if the project is worthy of my time. I also like the kick I get out of winning a contest.

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Tattoo

- 1 by _Trickster_
- 2 by Wintrygrey
- 3 by simbe
- 4 by Fiero
- 5 by Giulio Rossi

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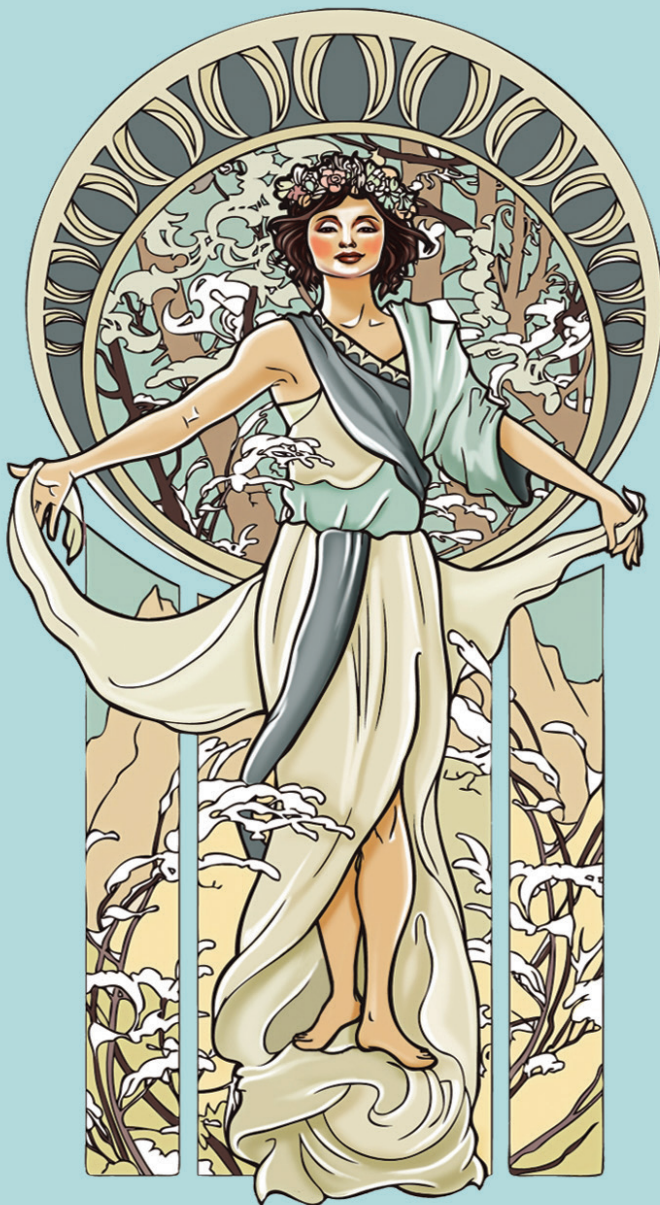
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After graduating from design school, MirkoAndricDesign™ turned to 99designs to build out his professional portfolio before starting the job search. But after two months he quickly found full-time success on our platform and now regularly brings architecture, interior design and products to life.

I gained most of my skills working in a wide variety of 99designs contests, where I learned new things about all types of design. Eventually I became really good at a few categories, especially 3D.



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- 1 for BBQ tool set
- 2 for rooftop terrace
- 3 for geotech
- 4 for urban art park



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Character & Mascot

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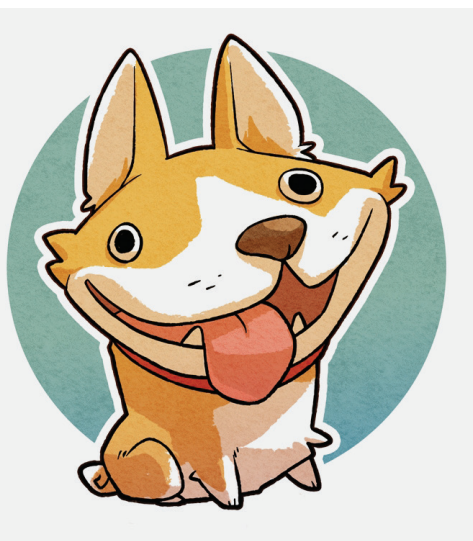
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- 1 by Groenendijk95 for Jack the Yak
- 2 by Angela Cuellar for Tourist Outfitters
- 3 by Ashur for The Beast
- 4 by Lucadia for Muxy
- 5 by Hazel Anne for Ballyhoo

Packaging & Label

Some designers just know how to think outside the box. Literally. Meet some of the creative minds serving up stand-out packaging designs.

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- 1 by Khramova for Colossimo French Post
- 2 by g ideas for Maker's
- 3 by green in blue for Art of Preserves
- 4 by 20139gph for Coffee Drop Co.
- 5 by Mj.vass for Guggenheimer

Bence Balaton

Name

Bence Balaton

Location

United Kingdom

Bence Balaton's intricate illustrations cover many facets of graphic design, from logos and packaging to infographics and flyers. But with each project he brings an eye for detail, a personal style and an innate ability to find simple ways to display large amounts of visual information.

I was a guy with no experience, no portfolio, no equipment. In 1 year I became a Platinum Designer, I was in Top 9. 99designs helped me start my career, really.





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- 1 for Panther Piss
- 2 for Holsbergen
- 3 for Valhalla
- 4 for Tapstone

Martis Lupus

Name

Martis Lupus

Location

Planet Earth

Martis Lupus has been a longtime member of 99designs, building out her portfolio and gaining real client experience during her time at art school. Now a recent graduate, her distinct style is turning heads and she's working full time on 99designs' platform crafting whimsical book covers, packaging designs and branding for companies around the world.

The most important thing that my teachers insisted on was to be original, regardless of outside influences. That stuck with me and I am working towards that constantly.

- 1 for Fabryka Piwa
- 2 for B3 Serum
- 3 for Monsoon
- 4 for Ol' Major
- 5 for Llama Sutra



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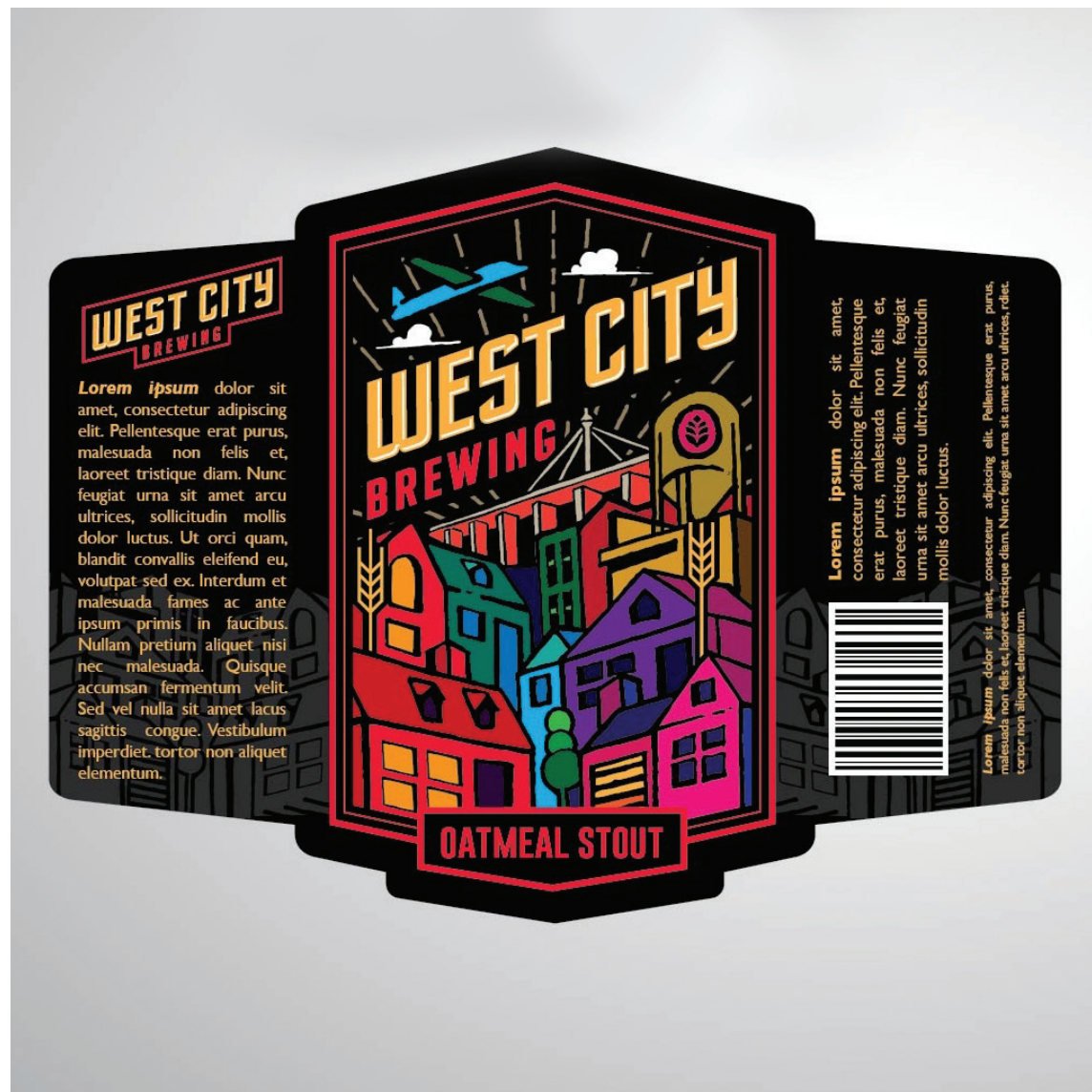
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Beer & Wine

- 1 by MANTSA®
- 2 by 20139gph for Four Leaf Spirits
- 3 by Zotty
- 4 by RedLogo for Glacial Till Vineyard
- 5 by Calinutz for Côtes du Rhône

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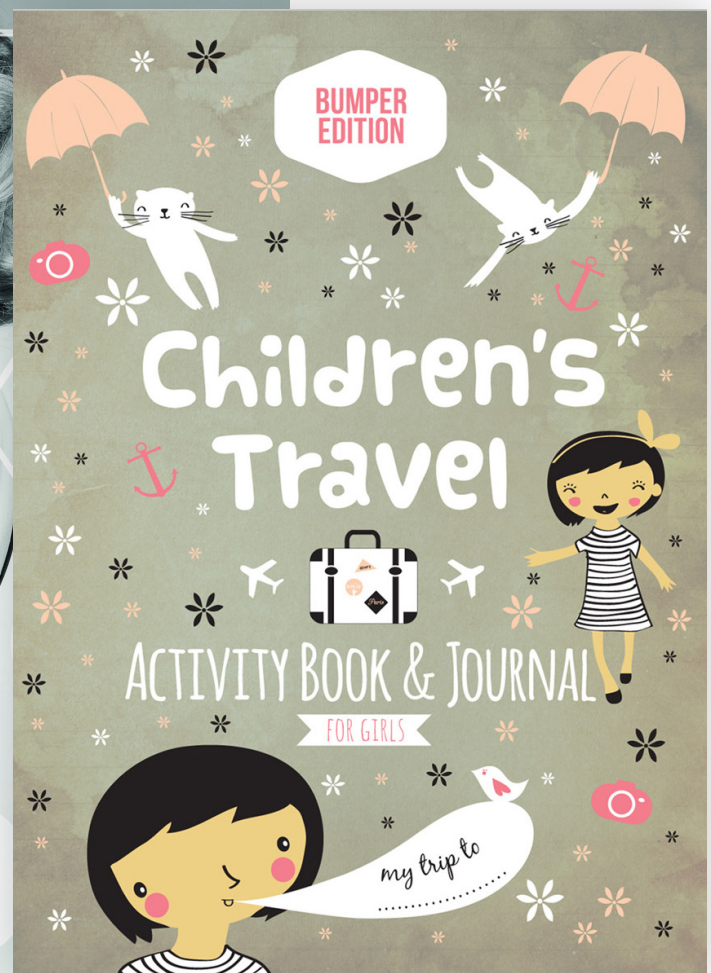
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Book & Magazine

First impressions count, even on the bookshelf. When it comes to engaging graphics that lure readers closer, these designers have it covered.

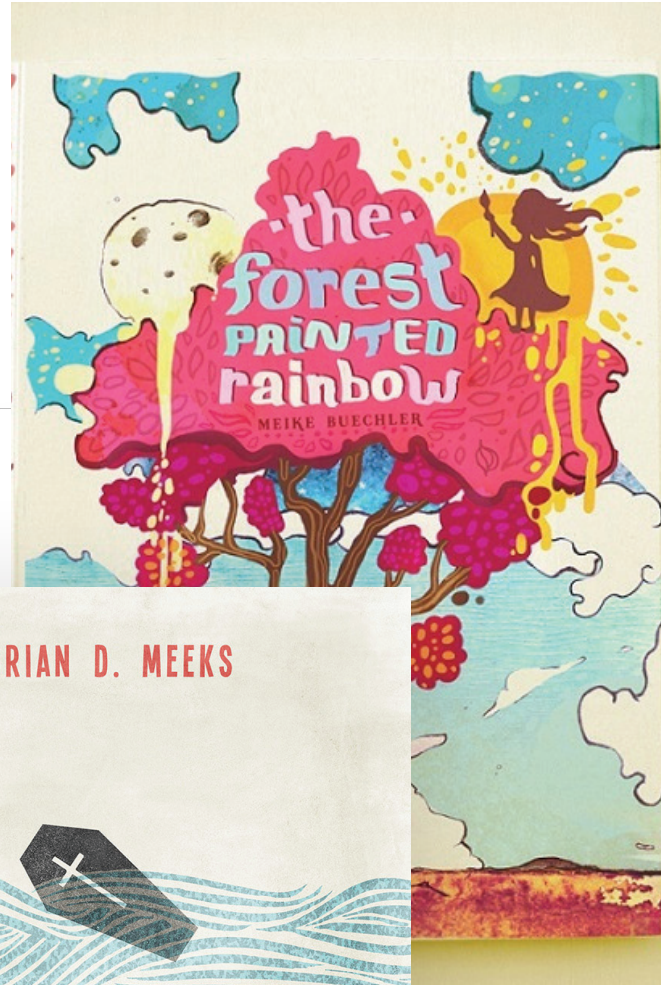
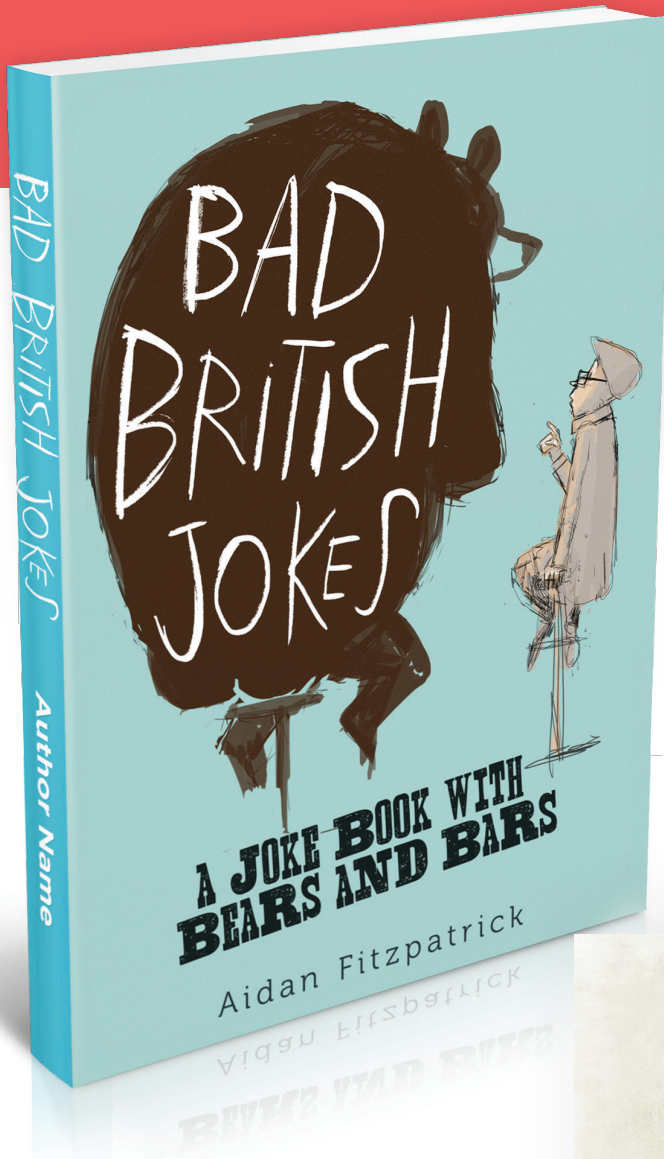


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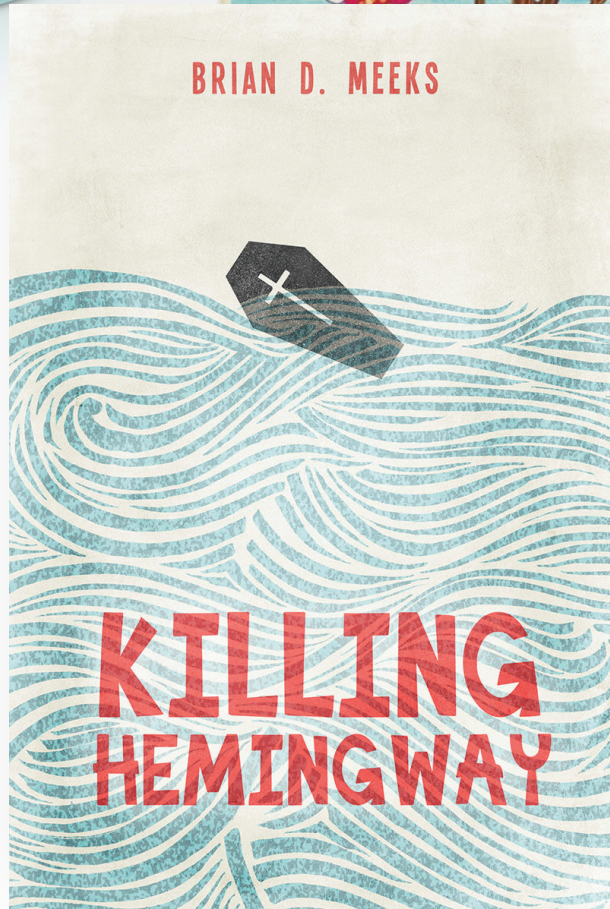


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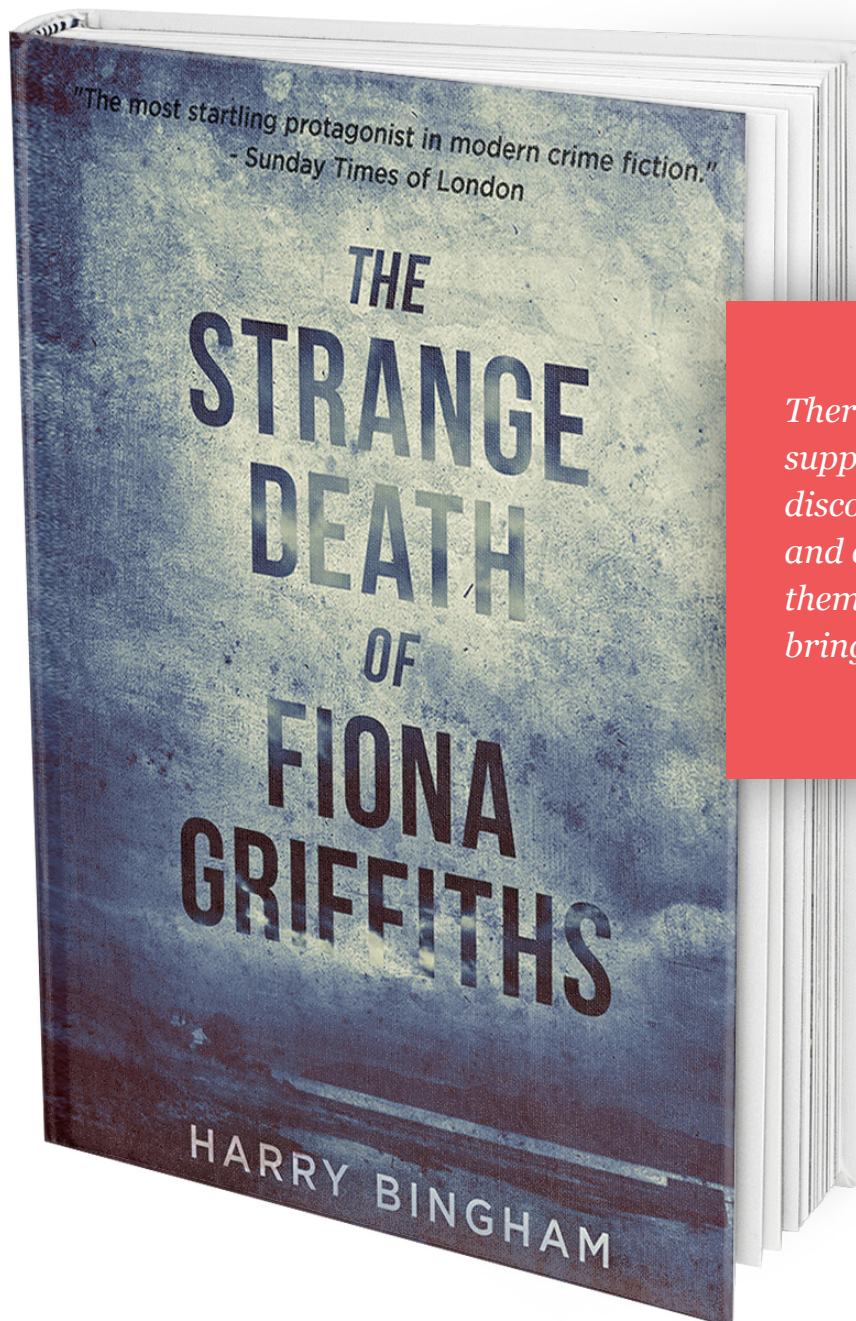


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- 1 by MajaRegula for Never.Exposed
- 2 by Shkike
- 3 by ilustreishon
- 4 by KPGS
- 5 by Martis Lupus

Llywellyn may have a full-time day job, but her passion lies in the book covers she creates in her free time. She's become one of our most prolific designers with inspired covers ranging in style from Saul Bass to Celtic Classicism. When she's not designing, she's teaching our webinars and helping beginner 99designers improve their skills.

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There's such an endless supply of stories. I love discovering new worlds and characters through them, then trying to bring them to life.

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NOW A SHORT FILM BY CHASE MICHAEL WILSON

"Sary succeeds in portraying teen angst without melodrama, in depicting compassion without sentimentality, and in creating a world of characters on the margins of society whose depth and complexity combine any Hollywood hero."
—Chanticleer Book Reviews

"Few novelists can so interestingly channel the voice of a neglected fourteen-year-old boy, half street urchin, half spiritual shaman, and emerge with an engaging first person narrative that doesn't degenerate into sentimentality or paranoiac teen culture. Candi Sary can."
—Foreword Reviews Magazine

Young Carson Galley has a rare and magical gift of healing, a gift which both defines him and threatens to betray him. He lives in Hollywood motels with his alcoholic, fortunetelling mother, Juliette. She nurtures his gift, but her ways are deceptive. Determined to convince him he is destined to greatness, she feeds the boy fantastical stories about his past and his future. It works for a

BLACK CROW WHITE LIE

"This is a praiseworthy, poignant work." —Publishers Weekly
from the Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award Contest

CANDI SARY

BLACK
CROW
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DON'T
BELIEVE



Everything



YOU

JESSIE

- 1 The Strange Death of Fiona Griffiths
- 2 Black Crow
- 3 Don't Believe Everything You Eat
- 4 Gondola Maker

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the
Gondola
Maker

Venice, 1581

Luca Vianello is the heir to the city's most esteemed gondola boatyard. It's his life's calling, his duty to his father and the generations that came before him.

But when his mother dies in childbirth, a lifetime of resentment boils to the surface. In an argument with his father, Luca accidentally sets fire to the boatyard. In an instant, his life, his destiny, goes up in flames.

Alone for the first time, Luca secures a job as a private gondolier to a busy portrait painter. He discovers a dilapidated gondola in the shadows of the artist's boathouse. He recognizes it as an antique made in his own family boatyard—by his own grandfather's hands.

Luca finds himself drawn to restore the old gondola with the dream of taking a beautiful girl for a ride. What he doesn't know is that the girl, the daughter of a rich banker who has come to the artist's studio to sit for a portrait, has a plan of her own.

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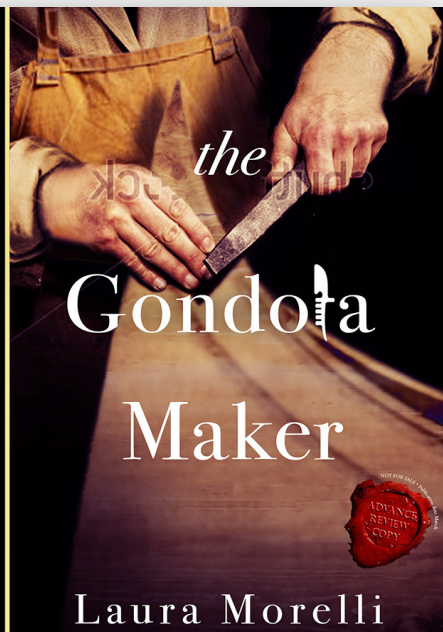
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