ANDREW MWANGI

Senior Graphic Designer | CorelDRAW Expert | Frontend Enthusiast

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Creative and tech-savvy Graphic Designer with over 3 years of experience specializing in vector-based design, brand identity, packaging, and front-end integration. CorelDRAW certified with a proven track record of delivering production-ready, developer-friendly assets. Skilled in creating visually compelling designs that scale seamlessly across print and digital platforms.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- **Design Excellence:** CorelDRAW (Advanced), Vector Illustration & SVG Systems, Brand Identity & Packaging
- **Technical Skills:** Print Production & Prepress, CMYK separations, Spot varnish applications
- Web Development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, UI/Frontend Development, Responsive Design Systems
- Software Proficiency: Adobe Creative Suite, Figma, Advanced typography and color theory

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance Graphic Designer — Visual Systems

Bungoma, Kenya | January 2021 – Present

- Designed and delivered 150+ completed projects across branding, packaging, illustration, and UI/web categories
- Led design for award-winning packaging for a regional beverage brand, achieving industry recognition (2023)
- Built reusable SVG icon systems for startup clients, improving design-to-development handoff efficiency by 40%
- Developed responsive marketing microsites integrating clean, scalable visuals with seamless user experience
- Maintained 98% client satisfaction rate through consistent delivery of high-quality, production-ready assets

Lead Graphic Designer — Kisima Coffee Brand Refresh

Contract Project | 2023

- Directed complete brand identity refresh, including custom vector logotype and comprehensive packaging system
- Collaborated with marketing team to align visual strategy with business objectives
- Increased product shelf appeal, resulting in 25% higher customer engagement and measurable sales growth
- Delivered all brand assets on time and within budget constraints

UI/Visual Designer — PulseApp

Contract Project | 2022

- Created pixel-perfect SVGs and UI assets optimized for seamless integration by development teams
- Designed responsive landing pages featuring interactive hero illustrations and micro-animations
- Established design system and component library, reducing development time by 30%
- Collaborated with developers to ensure design fidelity across all platforms and devices

SELECT PROJECTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Award-Winning Projects:

- Savanna Juice Limited Edition Packaging: Seasonal packaging with CMYK-optimized artwork,
 won Regional Design Excellence Award
- Highland Tea Tin Series: Metallic-treated vector patterns for premium product lines, featured in Design Kenya Magazine
- Festival Poster Series: Vibrant cultural festival illustrations showcased at Nairobi Design Week

Digital Innovation:

- Dashboard UI Kit: Developer-ready vector components with design tokens, adopted by 3 tech startups
- E-commerce Integration: Custom SVG icons and graphics for online retail platforms

Industry Recognition:

- 12 Industry Awards for outstanding design and production quality
- CorelDRAW Certified: Advanced Vector Workflows

- Recognized by PrintWorks Kenya for immaculate prepress files, reducing production errors by 30%
- Featured designer profile in Kenya Design Monthly (2023)

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Design Tools: CorelDRAW (Expert Level), Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, Figma, Sketch **Web Technologies:** HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Responsive Design, CSS Grid & Flexbox **Production Mastery:**CMYK color separations, Dieline creation, Spot varnish applications, Large format printing **Workflow Management:** Research → Sketch → Vector Prototype → Responsive Specification → Export & Developer Handoff

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Diploma in Graphic Design & Multimedia Nairobi Design Institute | 2019 – 2021 *Graduated with Distinction*

Professional Certifications:

- CorelDRAW Certified Expert (2022)
- Adobe Certified Associate in Visual Design (2021)
- Google UX Design Certificate (In Progress 2024)

CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

"Andrew translated our brand story into a timeless identity that resonates with our customers. The packaging design not only looked exceptional but performed brilliantly on shelf, leading to increased sales after launch." — Sofia Njoroge, Marketing Lead, Kisima Coffee

"Working with Andrew was an absolute pleasure. His thoughtful UI concepts, pixel-perfect SVGs, and excellent developer handoff process made our project seamless from design to deployment." — **Tom Asare, Founder, PulseApp**

"Andrew's attention to detail and technical expertise in print production saved us countless hours and costs. His prepress files are consistently flawless." — Mary Kiprotich, Production Manager, Elite Print Solutions

LANGUAGES & PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Languages: English (Fluent), Kiswahili (Fluent), Basic French

Key Strengths:

- Detail-oriented with exceptional organizational skills
- Strong visual communication and presentation abilities
- Innovative problem-solving approach to design challenges
- Collaborative team player with excellent client relationship management
- Adaptable to new technologies and design trends
- Strong project management and deadline adherence

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Jane Wambui Creative Director — Nairobi Creative Hub <u>ioi jane.wambui@creativehub.co.ke</u> | ■ +254 710 222 334 *Professional relationship: 2+ years, collaborated on multiple branding projects*

Lydia Mugo Project Manager — PixelForge Studios <u>| lydia.mugo@pixelforge.com | </u> +254 728 987 654 *Professional relationship: 2+ years, digital design and UI projects*

References available upon request. Portfolio samples and additional work examples can be provided during interview process.