Alu David, Experiential Manager

Experienced Creative Director with a proven track record in leading immersive brand experiences that merge storytelling, cutting-edge technology, and impactful visuals to create memorable engagements. Skilled in managing cross-functional teams and bringing large-scale physical and virtual events to life, with a unique eye for detail and innovation

Core Skills and Technical Expertise

- Creative Direction & Strategy: Expert in developing cohesive event identities, overseeing full creative processes, and crafting strategies that amplify brand visibility through storytelling and audience engagement.
- Technical Skills: Adobe Creative Cloud (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign), Lumion, SketchUp, Chaos V-Ray, Projection Mapping (Heavy M). Familiar with 3D software such as Blender and Cinema4D.
- Event Design & Execution: Skilled in conceptualizing 2D/3D renderings, virtual experiences, and large-scale installations, with meticulous attention to layout, materials, and production processes.
- Project Leadership: Extensive experience leading teams in agile and non-linear projects, from ideation to delivery, with a focus on mentoring designers and refining concepts to meet exceptional standards

Experience

Creative Director | Head Of Creative

EXP MARKETING AFRICA , Nigeria, Ghana, Zambia, South Africa, Kenya

(Nov 2022 - Present)

- Led a team of creatives to design and execute high-impact experiential events, from concept to
 production, focusing on creating differentiated, tech-enhanced experiences that captivate diverse
 audiences.
- Strategized and delivered branded event identities for clients in tech and consumer industries, using storytelling and visual elements to ensure brand alignment across virtual and physical platforms.
- Collaborated with designers, copywriters, and 3D artists to deliver a cohesive narrative across various formats, such as large booths, interactive installations, and virtual showcases.
- Managed vendor relationships, budgets, and timelines, consistently delivering projects within scope while integrating emerging trends like interactive 3D and projection mapping.

Designer, Design Lead, Group Creative Director

EVENTECTURE, Lagos, Nigeria

(Sept. 2015 - Oct. 2022)

- Built and led a team of nine designers, providing mentorship and managing performance to foster a high standard of creative output and innovation.
- Developed event concepts and design systems for a range of clients, transforming complex client objectives into compelling experiential designs, balancing aesthetic impact with functionality.
- Played a critical role in EVENTECTURE's Strategy Team, driving innovation by applying design thinking principles to meet market changes during COVID-19.
- Conducted client presentations and led discussions to refine ideas, consistently recognized for ability to simplify and communicate complex design ideas to a broad audience

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Experience

Project Architect

BEAUTIFUL BUILDINGS, Lagos, Nigeria

(Mar. 2015 - Aug. 2017)

- · Producing detailed drawings working drawing, presentation drawings and specifications.
- Controlling of projects from start to finish site monitoring and development.
- Assisted in conducting preliminary studies of proposed projects to obtain information as to space and design requirements while obtaining measurements and making sketches preliminary to the preparation of drawing

Education

University of Lagos, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria.

Master of Environmental Design; (Architecture)

(Jan 2016 - Dec. 2017)

University of Lagos, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria.

(Sep 2011 - June 2015)

Licenses and Certification

Design Thinking for Innovation

Bachelor of Science: (Architecture)

University of Virginia, USA (Mar 2022)

Experiential Strategy Course

The barefoot strategist (June 2023)

Brand Strategy

Section School (July 2024)

Advanced Brand Management

BMA institute (in view)

Soft Skills

- Exceptional Communication: Skilled in presenting concepts and storytelling across varied formats, with the ability to explain complex ideas to designers, stakeholders, and non-technical audiences.
- Adaptability and Agility: Proven success in agile, non-linear workflows, effectively integrating live feedback to refine creative ideas in real-time
- Attention to Detail: Deep focus on quality and design integrity, obsessing over colors, materials, and execution to produce polished, engaging work.
- Curiosity and Tech-Savvy: Keen on exploring generative AI, 3D modeling, and emerging tech to enhance design experiences.

Portfolio and References

<u>behance.net/Kayode_</u> (online portfolio), <u>alukayode.com</u> (Personal Website)

· references available upon request.