For the past 20 years, Talking Tables have been creating great memories and getting people together with our fun products. Our founder, Clare Harris spotted a gap in the market in 1999 when she noticed that there were no design-led party products on offer for her millennium celebrations. From her kitchen table, Clare got to work designing, producing and selling her first products. Mark McCormack joined the company one year later, taking charge of our finance and logistic systems.

We now have offices in London, New York and Shanghai selling over 1000 products all over the world. We take pride in adding flair and style to every occasion. Whether it’s an afternoon tea with your grandma, an outdoor wedding or a good friend’s birthday; our aim is to help you celebrate with fun and laughter, engaging everyone equally. What inspires us here at Talking Tables to keep developing new products, is knowing that through our hard work we are making your occasions the most enjoyable and memorable.

We are looking for a **Designer** to join our vibrant in-house Design team… and of course to join us in our revelries!

**At a glance:**

* Salarydependent on experience + 25 days holidays, plus Bank Holidays.
* Full time position Monday to Friday with core working hours 9.00am-5.30pm.
* Position shall be reviewed at 8 weeks and 6 months. Further formal reviews take place every 12 months.

**Location:**

* Based in South West London (SW4)
* Nearest Stations: Clapham North & Stockwell, Clapham High Street Overground

**Key attributes needed:**

* 1-2 years experience in a similar role
* Fluent in Adobe Creative Suite, especially Illustrator as a primary platform
* An enthusiastic and talented creative
* Strong eye for trend-led design and awareness of market trends
* Commercial and adaptable handwriting
* Product and packaging background is essential
* Experience working with style guides and design assets
* Ability to work under pressure and to tight deadlines
* Team player with a positive, can-do attitude

Designer Role Specification

**Job Description:**

* Working closely with our Grocery Hub team to effectively translate ideas into design executions, ensuring a consistently high level of design quality
* Responding to a variety of customer trends and style guides, with a keen eye for commerciality and suitability to each individual customer
* Manipulating style guide assets and existing artwork to produce high quality visuals in a fresh and innovative way
* Able to work to customer specifications and cost restrictions when required
* Working at a fast pace to tight deadlines and self-managing workload in order to meet customer expectations
* Being reactive to customer demands and staying cool under pressure
* Must have an enthusiastic, positive and ‘willing to roll your sleeves up’ approach
* Occasionally customer facing, explaining and selling design ideas as well as the commercial implications
* Lend creative support where needed to the rest of the Studio team, as well as other members of the company

**Skills & Experience expected for this role:**

* 1-2 experience working in a Studio is preferable
* BA Hons degree or equivalent in Art & Design, Graphics, Illustrations or similar
* Experienced using a Mac computer
* Proficient in Adobe Creative Suite with a strong emphasis on Illustrator
* Be able to show examples of the above skills
* Firm understanding of UK Grocery retailers and their unique propositions and core customers
* Have an awareness for colour management and an aptitude for understanding manufacturing processes and their impact on design

**Characteristics required:**

* Creative flair, originality and a strong visual sense
* A keen eye for detail
* A team player, happy to be part of a small but growing team
* Friendly and sociable
* Comfortable in a fast paced environment
* Handles pressure well
* Calm and efficient
* Polite manner and a high level of literacy
* Great communication skills
* Extremely organised and able to deliver to a deadline
* A self-starter with initiative and a can-do, positive attitude
* Interest in party products and how customers use them

At Talking Tables there is always room for additional responsibilities and future progression.