



Application Pack: Freelance Furniture Maker

ABOUT GOLDFINGER

We are Goldfinger – we design for good.

Goldfinger crafts quality bespoke furniture and homewares from reclaimed and sustainable materials. We are an award-winning social enterprise working for the good of people and the planet. Our team's craftsmanship is proudly on display at some of the UK's leading names: John Lewis, Gail's Bakery, Tom Dixon, Whistles, Leon and Inhabit Hotels. Our excellent artisans and apprentices also design and craft for private residents and in collaboration with celebrated interior designers and architects.

Positive social impact

Every penny of profit supports our charitable programmes for marginalised individuals from our community through our Goldfinger Academy and People's Kitchen. We firmly believe in the positive mental health benefits of making and using one's hands. That's why Goldfinger Academy offers community craft courses, traineeships, workshops and corporate away-days. Goldfinger supports its community through its People's Kitchen, bringing the community around our tables for a delicious feast cooked with surplus food and made by our star chef Guiseppe as well as local volunteers..

Goldfinger is committed to promoting equal opportunities in employment. You and any job applicants will receive equal treatment regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, marital or civil partner status, pregnancy or maternity, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation.

For more information, please visit: <https://www.goldfinger.design/>

JOB DESCRIPTION

Overview:

We are looking for multiple experienced freelance furniture makers to join our small but mighty team of fifteen.

This role is a unique opportunity for a highly skilled and detail-oriented individual to be part of the design and production team at Goldfinger.

You will be involved in all aspects of our cabinet-making processes, along with our small team of Designer Makers, and will have the opportunity to engage in our Academy and Impact programmes to share your skills with future makers!

This role would suit candidates with a passion for high-end design and furniture-making, a creative thinker, who wants to deliver unrivalled quality in every aspect of their work, whilst making impact within a sustainable, values-led organisation.

Reports to: Design & Production Manager

Direct reports: n/a

Working pattern: Flexible

Salary: Freelance: £130-£150 day rate, depending on experience

Location: Goldfinger, W10 5NY

Roles and Responsibilities

Working alongside our small team of In-House Designer Makers, you will be involved in a wide range of tasks and projects including:

- Making bespoke fine furniture as well as small batch products
- Employing the safe use of our workshop machines: table and mitre saws as well as power and hand tools
- Reading, drawing and understanding production technical drawings using CAD
- Working alongside the workshop team to ensure effective project management from concept to delivery
- Maintaining accurate project details with updated developments within our project management and CRM database (Podio)
- Helping to maintain a tidy workshop and materials store
- Developing supplier relationships and new partnerships for our sustainably-sourced material library
- Presenting projects and promoting Goldfinger's services to clients on and off site
- Possibly being involved in our Academy / Impact programmes, sharing your skills and experience with budding designers and makers

Person specification

Essential

- Have at least three years of previous experience in a similar role
- Be familiar with all woodworking tools and machines. Some training will be provided but general competency and an understanding of safe working practices are necessary.
- A thorough understanding of wood and its material characteristics (mostly hardwood)
- Technical knowledge of furniture / product making processes
- Veneering and laminating experience
- On site fitting experience
- CAD experience for costing and technical construction drawings
- Ability to manage a varied work-load with competing priorities
- Strong communication skills
- Attention to detail
- A confident independent worker as well as a team player across the business, providing support in other areas as and when needed. We have a small team and a collaborative work ethic!

Desirable

- Upholstery experience
- Line management experience
- Sales experience within the design / architecture industries
- Shares our passion for contemporary furniture/product design, traditional and modern woodworking techniques
- A relationship-builder with good communication and presentation skills (written and oral)

The perks of working at Goldfinger

- Become part of a personable, visionary team creating [huge positive impact](#) on a daily basis
- Professional development opportunities including our monthly digital learning programme
- Sustainability and design-thinking learning opportunities
- Staff discount across our sustainable design shop and Academy classes
- Staff discount in our on-site Sicilian cafe, [Panella](#), known for its excellent coffee, delicious Sicilian dishes and vibrant community spirit
- Unique working environment, based at the foot of the iconic Trellick Tower on Golborne Road and a stone's throw from Portobello Road.
- Competitive salaries with room for growth
- Flexible working
- Regular social events
- Volunteer opportunities including delivering meals for our community via [People's Kitchen: To Your Door](#)

TO APPLY

Please email admin@goldfinger.design

- Your **CV**
- Your **portfolio**
- A brief **cover letter** outlining how you meet the person specification, and including where you heard about the role

Start Date: ASAP- interviews arranged as they come in so early applications are advised