

**DESIGN**  
INTERNSHIP  
OPPORTUNITY  
IN  
**MALAWI**  
AFRICA

PEOPLE OF THE SUN



People of the Sun is a unique social enterprise in Malawi, working to improve the livelihoods of local artisans by connecting them to design and worldwide home-deco markets. We search for the best artisans in the markets and villages of Southern Malawi and give them the opportunity to improve. We support them with production techniques and prepare them to face the market forces with innovation and perspective, whilst acquiring the basics of running an enterprise. We work with them to develop bespoke designs and connect them with customers around the world, through the People of the Sun platform.

We are small, unique, hands on and we love design!

In 2014, our products, Blantyre Jar and Cone Stool were selected among the most innovative products out of Africa, during the South African Design Week in Cape Town.

In 2015 we won the SEED AWARD for sustainable development in Africa.

Our workload is increasing and we are looking for a design intern to assist us with all aspects.

You will be working directly with urban and rural artisan enterprises on product and enterprise development assisting them on day to day challenges. The work will be hands on, creative and practical at the same time. You will use Design Thinking as a means to overcome daily challenges and design solutions to meet the artisans needs as well as the market demands.

As a person you need to have excellent problem solving skills and be a peoples' person. You need to come from a design background with proficiency in relevant software and excellent graphic skills. An understanding of the development sector in third world countries is an asset but not a must have.

The internship is for 3 months (or more), on a voluntary basis, that asks you to budget smartly so as to pay your own way during the term of service. There are no programme or administrative fees attached and People of the Sun will help you organise your trip and budget. As an intern in Malawi you will play an important role in helping to build up communities in need. The position will allow you to give back while exploring the amazing diversity and rich culture of Malawi.

If you are ready to embark on a life-changing experience, while helping artisans step out of poverty in Malawi, then email us your cv and portfolio, and tell us why you want to work with People of the Sun and why you feel you are a suitable candidate.

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We look forward to welcome you in Malawi !

