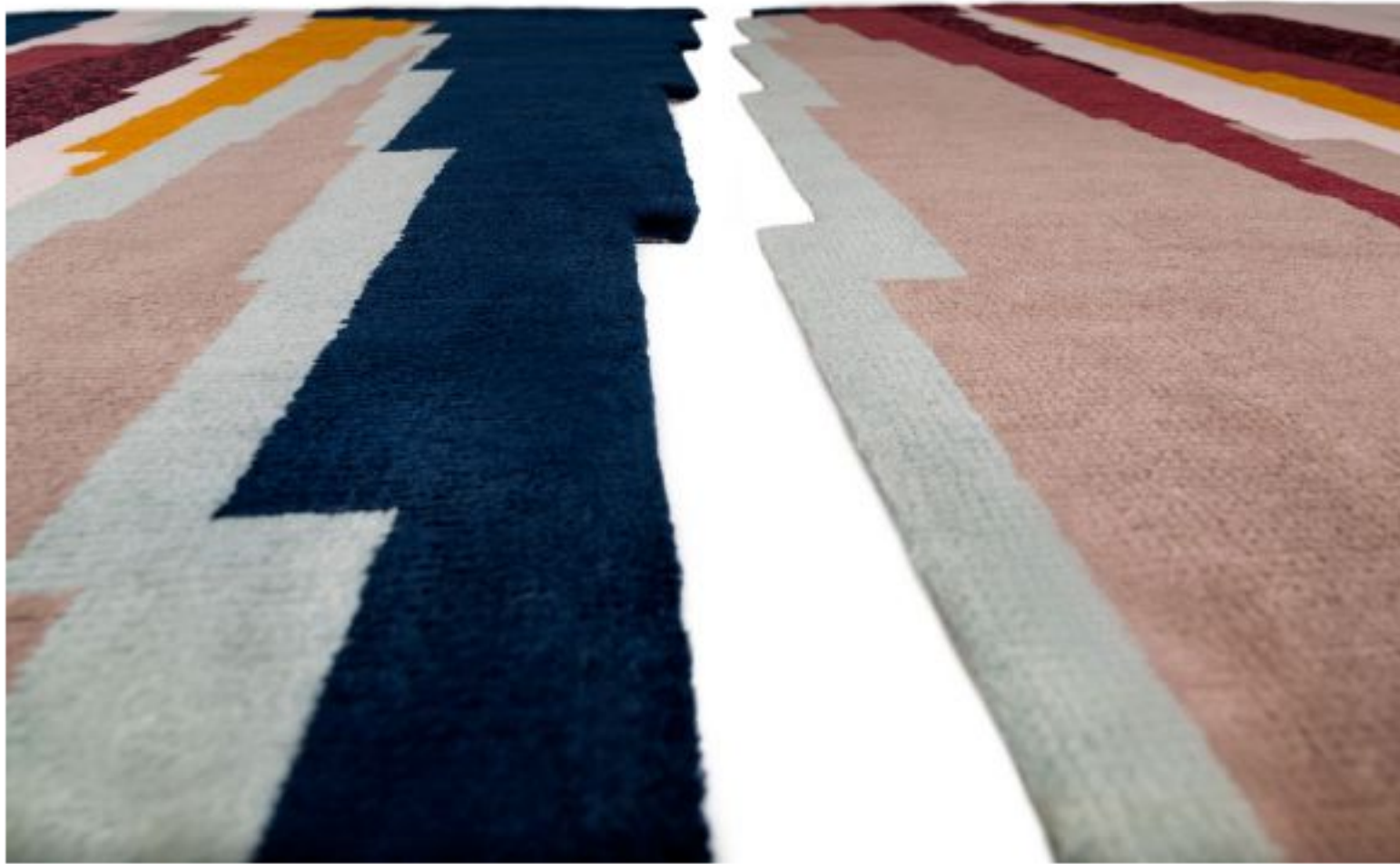


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creation of an aesthetic that is locally inspired and globally relevant.

Following a graduate business degree with a seven year stint in marketing and communications, it was in 2005 that Khalid entered the world of design with a Fine Arts - Interior Design course. But it was only by the end of 2009 that he left the corporate world to



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