Using Canva for social media

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Coordinated social media posts and messaging over a period of time



Designed to achieve a specific goal or purpose

What is a social media campaign?

Preparing for communication: SMART Goals

SPECIFIC: What will you achieve? What will you do?

MEASUREABLE: How will you know whether you've met the goal?

ACHEIVABLE: Is this possible? Do we have the skills and resources?

RELEVANT: Does the goal align with the goals of your team or organization? How will the result matter?

TIME BOUND: What is the deadline for accomplishing the goal?



What do you want to achieve?

Visibility/awareness, action?



Who is your audience?



Why is it important?

Planning a social media campaign

Before you jump into social media

Unpredictable – don't feel discouraged!

Focus on the feelings – this is what the audience will remember most!

Make it something worth sharing—would you share this with your family/friends?





Accounts with big and small followings





Influencers, trends

Find inspiration

Think about the messages

"I want to spark awareness and provoke a discussion on the Global Plastic Treaty"

We need to talk about the elephant in the room. (Key imagery for the campaign)

Plastic pollution is a global problem.

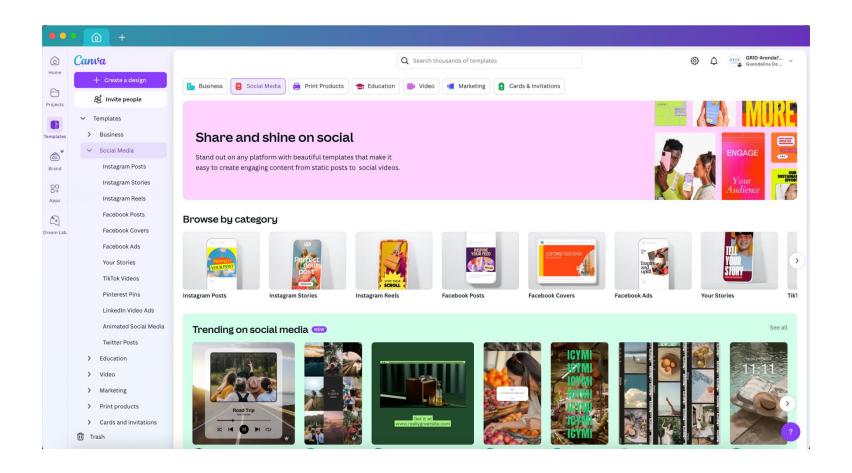
We already know how to end plastic pollution.

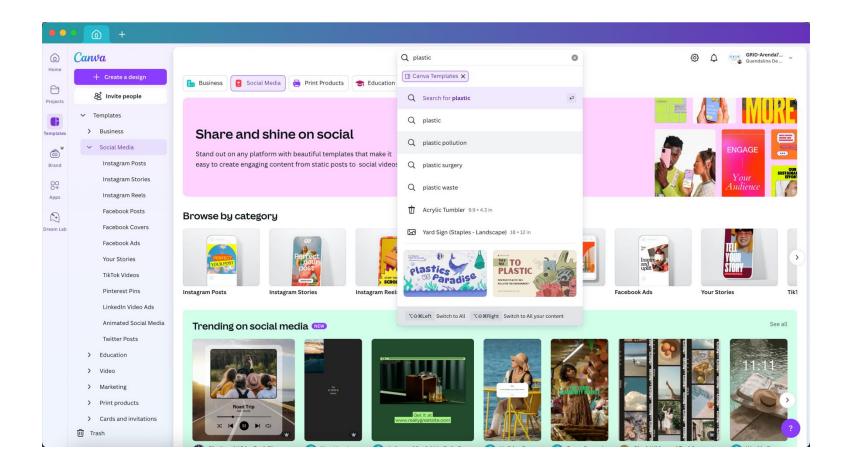
We need a global plastics treaty now.

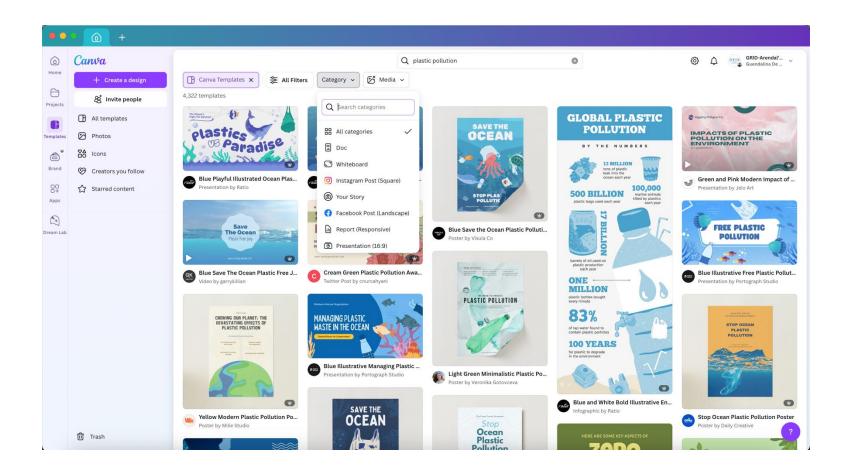


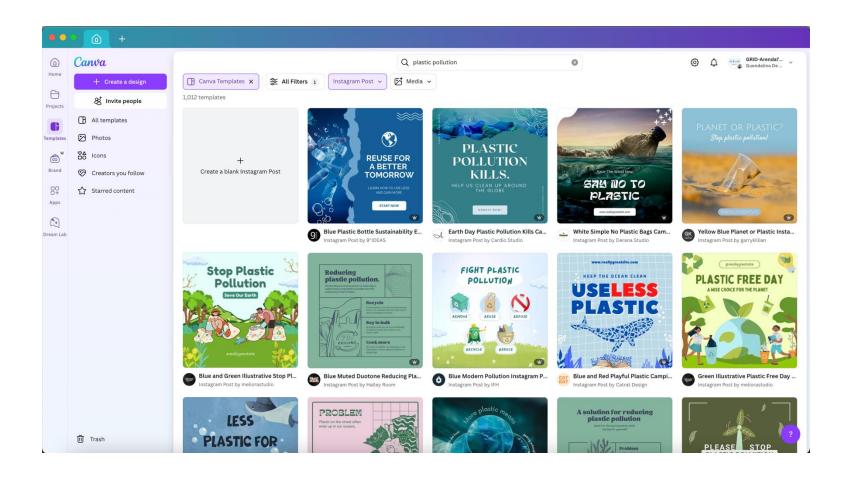
Can people take action? How do I empower my audience?

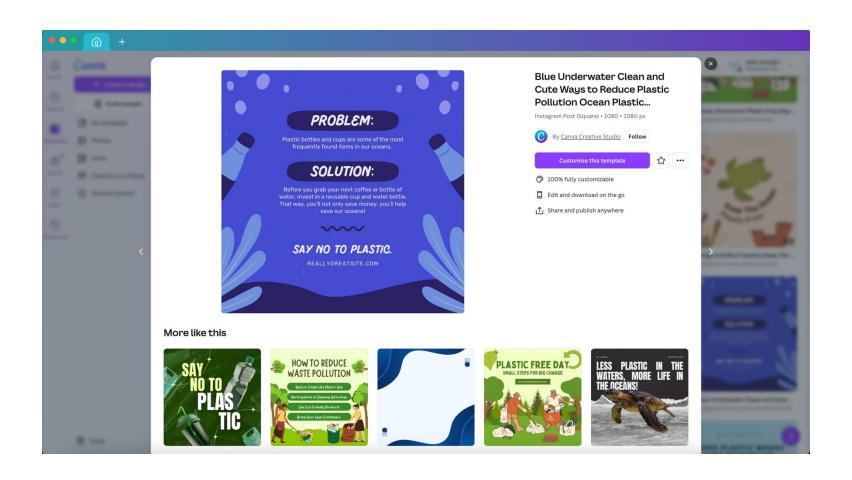
Layout that you can adapt for different image/text types.



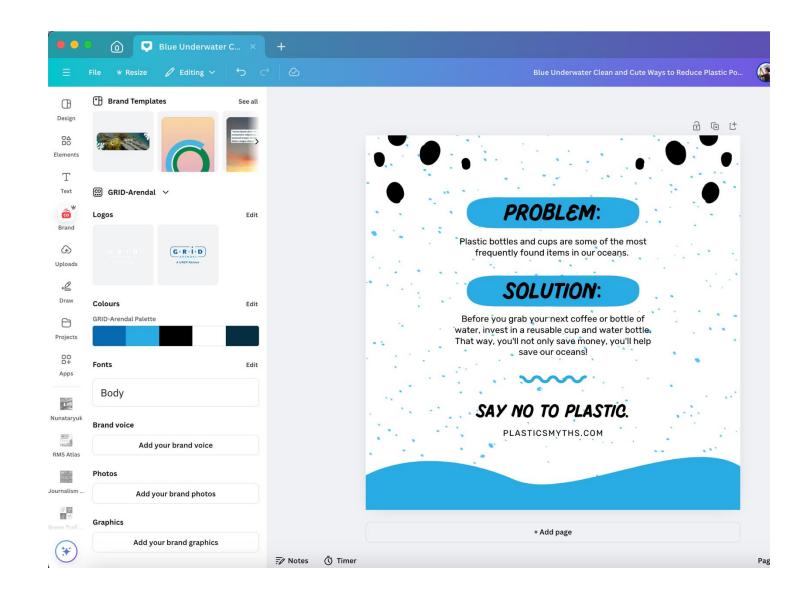




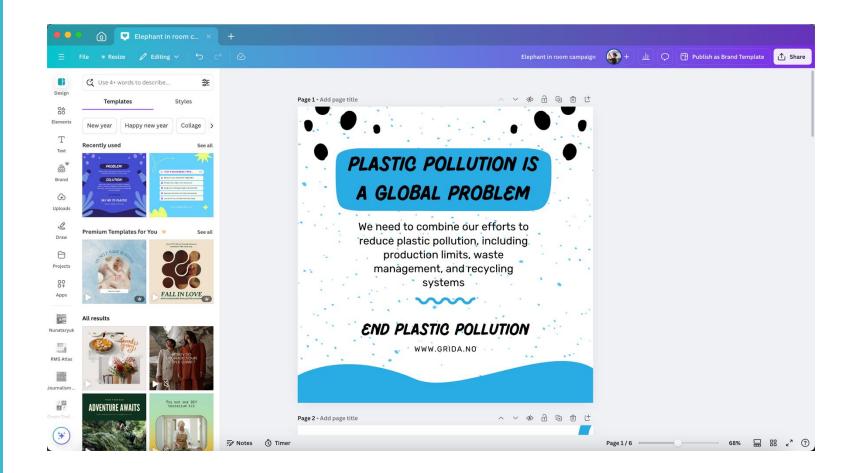




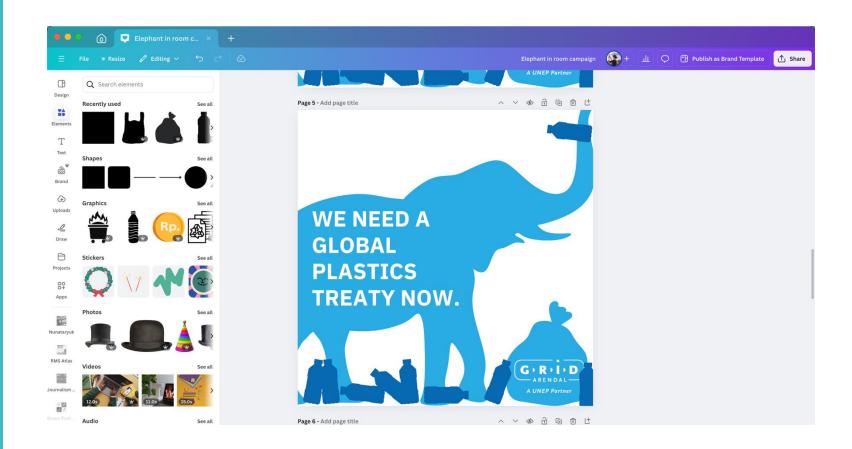
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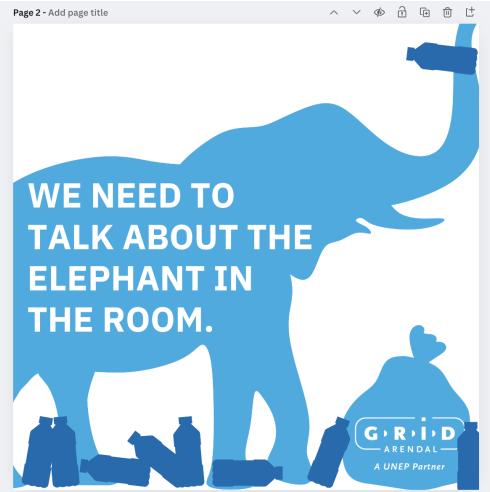
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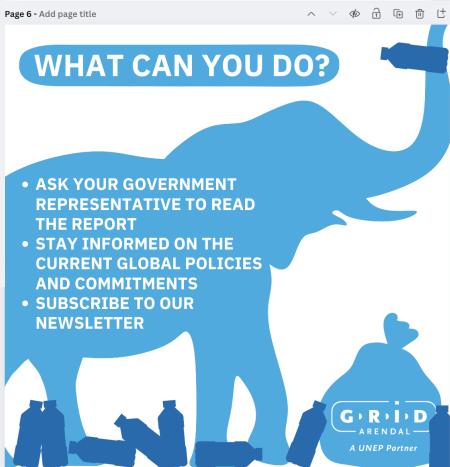


Canva – elements that define your campaign

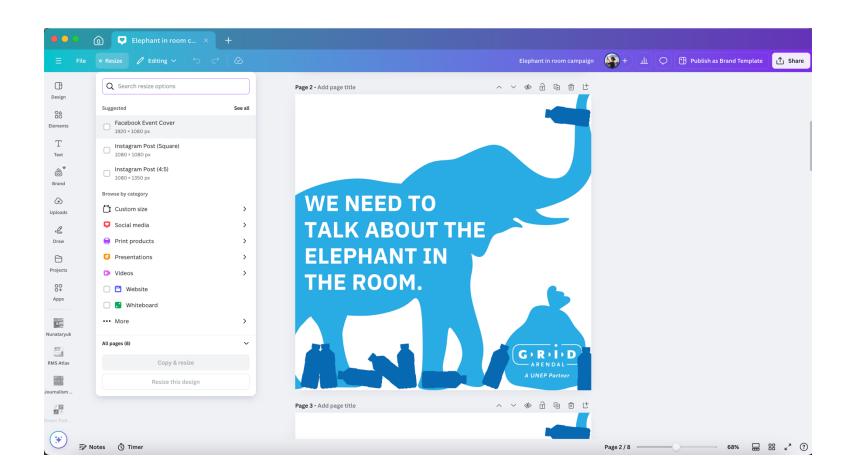


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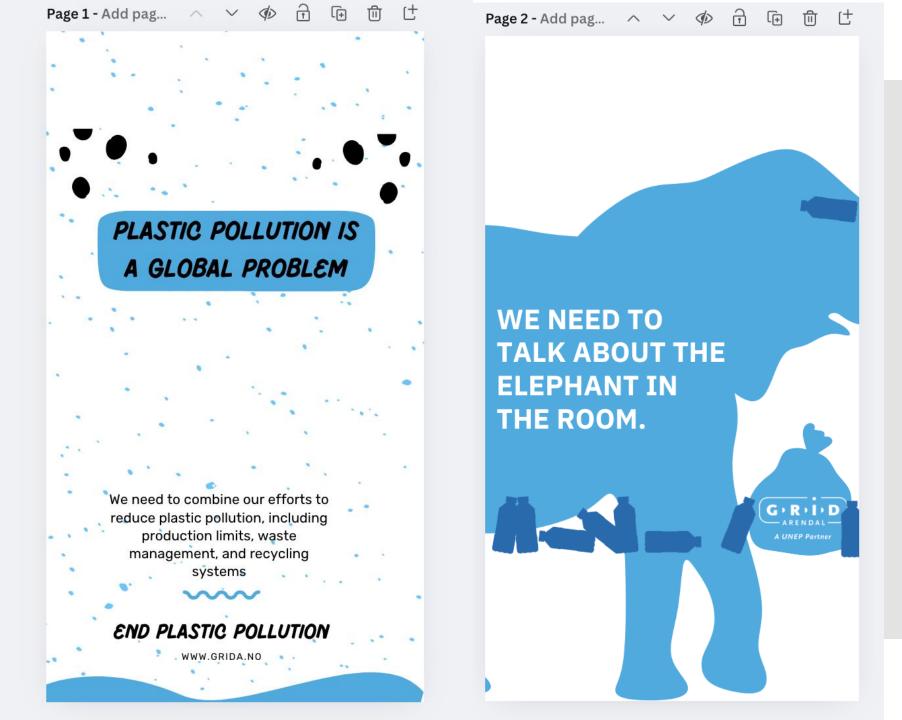




Canva – multiple platforms



Canva resizing – doesn't always work ©



Key points

Decide	Decide on a goal you want to achieve - SMART
Pick	Pick a medium/platform
Plan	Plan the campaign
Write	Write out key messages
Prepare	Prepare the visuals
Schedule	Schedule the posts
Evaluate	Evaluate the campaign

Homework

- Create a social media campaign for a topic/product/publication you're working on and matters to you
 - o 2-5 social media cards
 - o 2-5 social media messages
 - What channel(s) will you use?
 - Who is your audience?
 - What actions/outcomes do you expect?