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Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour is a renowned hub for designers, architects, decision-makers and the media. Bringing together the design world, it champions creativity and excellence.

THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS

On The Sale Trail

More than 40 showrooms took part in January's six-day Ultimate Interior Design Sale, as well as raft of house guests occupying the palatial Design Avenue. Two after-hours evenings and a Saturday opening meant that there was plenty of time to unearth exceptional products at heavily discounted prices, from prestigious international brands such as Porada, Gallotti&Radice and Tai Ping.



The Bright Side

The sale was given a boost by the addition of a number of specially commissioned installations in the domes and the Design Avenue. Against a backdrop of big, bold red and white stripes that were a refreshing antidote to the January blues, these eye-catching



vignettes showed off some of the sale's most tempting offerings.

Design Honours

Congratulations are due to Jenny Gibbs, founder principal of the KLC School of Design, who has been awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List 2020, for services to higher education and the interior design industry. Her 40-year career coincides with a significant shift in the industry's status and level of professionalism. Launched in the 1980s, the school is based at Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour and the two share strong ties: its ever-growing list of highly regarded alumni include Nicola Burt, Hollie Bowden and Turner Pocock's Emma Pocock.

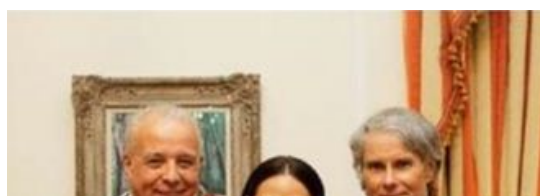


Paper Prowess

Hiro Tomita, owner of Japanese wallpaper brand Tomita, visited Lizzo's showroom to present its new collections. The brand was founded in 1923, and many of its papers are based on ancient techniques and materials, including silk and gold leaf: one of Tomita's papers is made from 0.1mm-thick slivers of paulownia wood, shaved from the tree and left to dry. Tomita is available exclusively in the UK from Lizzo.

Worthy Winner

New-York-based designer Daun Curry has won the 2019 Andrew Martin International Designer of the Year



International Designer of the Year Award. Her work is bold, sophisticated and liveable, and recent projects include glamorous suites at The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas and a home in Rye, New York State. Andrew Martin, whose showroom opened in November at Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour, launched the awards in 1996: eminent names including Martyn Lawrence Bullard and Nicholas Haslam are among the previous recipients.



Stars Align for Chinese New Year

To mark the Chinese New Year – the Year of the Rat – Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour's personal shopper Gabrielle Grubanovich has curated a themed area in the Centre Dome that celebrates East Asian influences. Against a glowing backdrop of hand-applied brass leaf on rice paper from Altfield, products included a Chinese silk rug by Kinnasand from Kvadrat at Home, a ceramic table lamp from Porta Romana, bronze vases by Alexander Lamont at Miles x Bookshop and an 18th-century altar table, also from Altfield.

COMING UP...

London Design Week 2020

Registration is open for spring's biggest design event (8 – 13 March 2020). Celebrating 'masters of design' the show explores what it means to be the best of the best – from hand-crafted objects to painstakingly researched materials or exciting new ways to reinvent time-honoured traditions. Connect with lauded industry names and delve deeper into the stories behind the designs with a curated programme of 100+ events.



With talks, tours, workshops and installations, as well as a galaxy of new launches, expect an immersive experience that, like Design Centre Chelsea Harbour itself, is much more than the sum of its parts.

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Rooms at The Top

The Design Club is playing host to a special exhibition of interior designer Nicky Haslam's drawings and watercolours of his schemes, created for clients from the 1980s until the present day. In a world driven by computer-aided design, they are both a glimpse into the creative industry practices of the recent past, and a celebration of Haslam's artistic talents. The show, titled **Roomscapes**, is a collaboration with the Tristan Hoare gallery, and runs from 2 – 28 February; the Design Club will be open to non-members who want to see the show.



Win A Stay With Firmdale Hotels + a VIP package

Register today to secure a place at London Design Week 2020 and for the chance to win an exclusive prize comprising of a one night's stay including dinner and breakfast with Firmdale Hotels; one year's membership to the Design Club; a lunch for two in the pop-up restaurant at London Design Week 2020; two VIP tickets to a 'Conversations in Design' all while enjoying courtesy VIP parking for two days.

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MOVERS & SHAKERS

Yarn Collective

New to Design Centre East, Yarn Collective's portfolio includes textiles, leathers, furniture and lighting. With a focus on craft techniques, it works mainly with brands that have a strong affinity to weaving, including Lance Wovens, which specialises in hand-woven leather, and Dutch textile art from Fault Lines. Look out for its furniture collaboration with designer David Girelli, launching at London Design Week 2020. Visit the showroom on the Fourth Floor, Design Centre East.



SIX OF THE BEST

Colour specialist Pantone has pronounced that the calm and confident Classic Blue is its colour of 2020. Instilling confidence in an unstable world, this shade is easily relatable, bringing a relaxed ambience to interiors.





Credits from far left to right: 'Amiata' bath, Victoria + Albert Baths. 'Dodo Pavone' wallcovering, Moooi at Arte. 'Calla' braid, Houllés. 'Pascal' Louis XVI inspired desk, Oficina Inglesa. 'Urchin' artwork, Andrew Martin. 'Yacht Blue' paint, Sanderson

STYLE SPY



PERSONAL SHOPPING PICK OF THE MONTH

We all need to bring a little hygge into our lives in cold, damp January. Alongside all the beautiful fabrics, furniture, lighting, rugs and carpets on offer at Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour, there are also some winter-friendly accessories to create that cosy feeling, from cashmere blankets to these stunning Baobab scented candles from Tollgård, available at a 20% discount when you email personalshopping@dcch.co.uk. Stocks are limited and available for collection only at the Tollgård showroom.

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