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UP AND COMING EVENTS

Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour is generating more activity than ever before, dedicated to inspire, inform and deliver the best in design. From events and talks with influential global names, unique platforms to meet like-minded people to unforgettable visitor experiences, installations, tours and access to the latest news and developments, Europe's leading design centre has an undisputed momentum.

Save the Date: Focus/18

Focus/18 (16 – 21 September) will bring together thousands of tastemakers from the worlds of interior design, architecture and style to Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour. This year, a confident vision will celebrate the positive power of colour with a dynamic programme of 100+ experiential events, plus imaginative pop-ups, an extraordinary installation and tempting food and drink. Visitors will be able to explore the best of the new season at launches, demonstrations and workshops. On the main stage, a stellar line-up will share their knowledge at the acclaimed Conversations in Design series. Keep up to date and follow the informative social media channels @designcentrech for the latest updates. Don't forget to register your place too, as there is a great prize to win.

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THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS

Meeting of Maritime Minds

Delegates from around the globe descended on Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour for The Superyacht Design Forum. In partnership with The Superyacht Group, thirty interactive workshops took place in the unique setting of the showrooms. This year's mantra 'Action, not words' set the agenda, providing the perfect opportunity for delegates to not only explore what the future holds, but to exchange and debate ideas. Over two days, five sessions were held simultaneously on five key themes of business technology, creativity, sustainability and style & interior.



The event also saw the launch of *Superyacht25*, a new book celebrating prominent icons, innovations and images from the last 25 years. In the Design Club, the official Superyacht Design Forum party was a convivial evening on the theme of futurism, offering cutting-edge cocktails and forward-thinking conversation. Superyachts represent a significant business opportunity for the interior design industry. The past 25 years have been the most formative for this ever-evolving sector. In 1992, 1,500 30m+ yachts were delivered; today that number has more than tripled, approaching 5,500 yachts, including those currently in build.



Design Directions of the Future

Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour invited key media to explore the new season's products at the Focus/18 press preview. The show is put together with enormous speed and offers a dynamic snapshot of what's to come. The latest designs come from far and wide – straight from the printers, artisan workshops and factory floors – literally hot off the press. Reflecting the mood of the moment, the event is hugely influential as editors and stylists are able to get an overview of the season ahead and plan their features and shoots accordingly. What can we expect at Focus/18? There will be plenty of upbeat patterns and palettes. Look out for the new design directions in the autumn issues.

Editors' Supper

The Editors' Supper was as good as its word when noted design editors and media tastemakers came together for a memorable evening at Design Centre, Chelsea Harbour. They enjoyed cocktails at the Focus/18 press preview before moving to a specially curated, softly-lit space for an exquisite dinner. Against a dramatic backdrop, guests marvelled at the flower-filled table. Journalists are hugely important to the design industry, using their platforms to reach audiences, both in print and online. This ability to listen to the world of design and then translate that into something tangible cannot be underestimated.



Design Discovery Tour

Details like impeccable finishes are at their best close up, so joining a Design Discovery Tour is a unique opportunity to get behind-the-scenes and to see how designs are conceived and made. To coincide with The Superyacht Design Forum, a tour visited showrooms to see how some of their products meet the exacting standards demanded by a discerning clientele. Suitable for both inside and out, visitors learnt how they often need to be high performance – whether that means colour-fast fabrics or materials that are resistant to chlorine and sea water, all without compromising on a sophisticated, luxury finish. Whether you are a first time or seasoned visitor, join a Design Discovery Tour and hear more about the latest compelling design narratives. Free of charge but with limited spaces, the next one will take place on [Tuesday 10 July 2018. Book here](#)

Summer Fun

The summer season has arrived and with it comes a whirl of convivial events in the showrooms. Legendary Venetian textile company Rubelli/Donghia held its annual, much anticipated summer drinks party in Design Centre East. This year, it was held in partnership with Roja Dove who presented the latest Pour Maison collection of candles and diffusers. Porta Romana celebrated the launch of 'Chronicle Part I' with a glass of bubbled, attended by a fun-loving design crowd; Marc de Bery invited customers to enjoy a relaxing drink while browsing the exquisite furniture.



Drum Roll Please...

Villeroy & Boch's bathroom and wellness division has won two gongs in the prestigious international Red Dot Award for the Antheus premium collection and ViClean i-100. Widely known for their timeless elegance and outstanding quality, both winning items showcase the brands' passion for innovation. Davidson's 'Rosebery' table has been shortlisted for the best table at for The International Design & Architecture Awards by leading design magazine *Design et Al*.

