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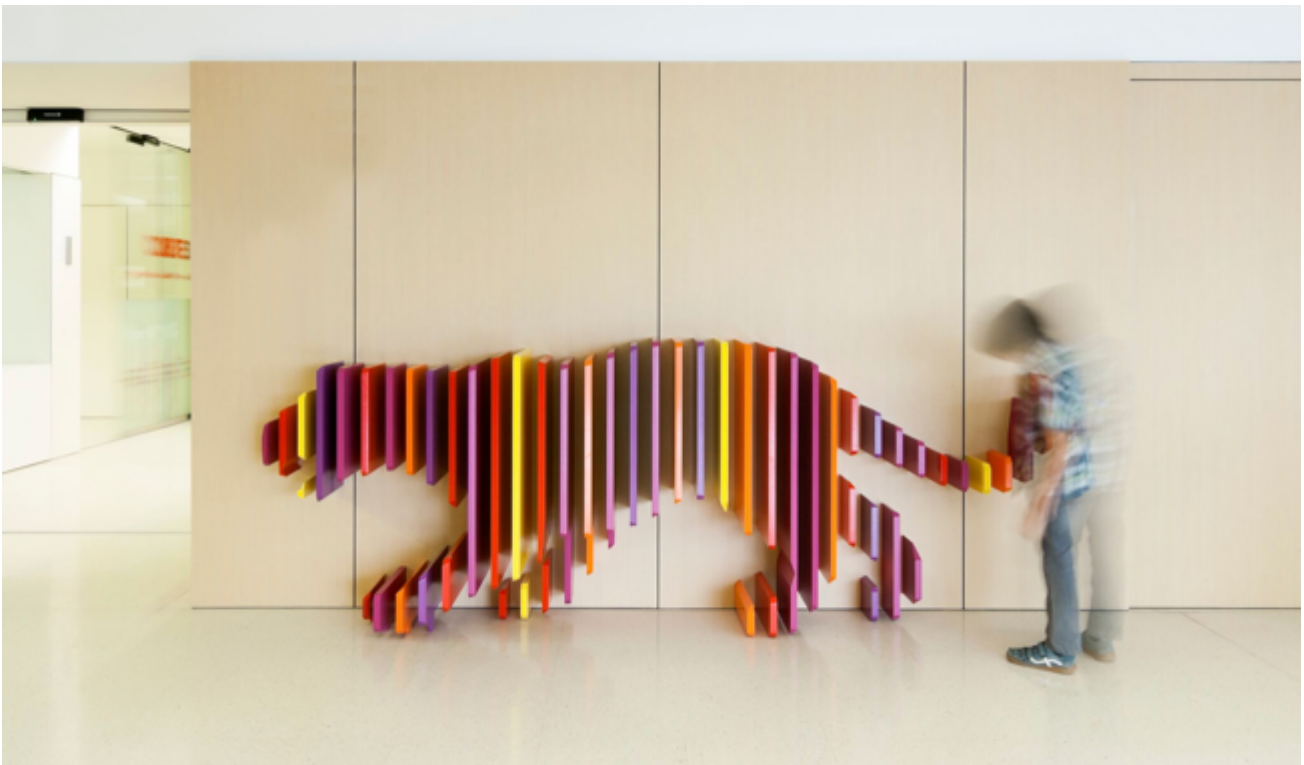
London 21–24 September 2017

designjunction celebrates design, culture and creativity with the return of the King's Cross Creative Quarter

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Above: 'Can Graphic Design Save Your Life?' exhibition at Wellcome Collection presents Tiger, Hospital Sant Joan de Déu, Barcelona © Rubio Arauna Studio, Rai Pinto Studio, picture by Victòria Gil

designjunction (21- 24 September) is delighted to present King's Cross Creative Quarter (KXCQ), a celebration of cultural, culinary and creative activities during the London Design Festival (LDF).

Now in its second year, KXCQ brings together a vibrant collection of pop-up design events, exhibitions and stunning architectural installations as well as all the best places to eat, drink, shop and stay at King's Cross during the LDF.

Will Sorrell, Event Director of designjunction added, "Following the success of the King's Cross Creative Quarter during last year's show, we're thrilled that the celebration returns this September, bringing together visitors from all over the globe.

With the plethora of inspiring design, architecture, culinary delights and retail hot spots that are on offer it's a great location to be, and even better that it's all situated within just a one-mile radius of King's Cross."

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

KXCQ offers something for everyone from design enthusiasts to those on a family day out, with a host of special events for visitors to enjoy. Taking place over four days in tandem with designjunction, the KXCQ is supported by King's Cross Development and the Wellcome Collection plus headline media partner LondonCalling.com. Highlights of the KXCQ include:

DESIGN AND CULTURE

Since its recent regeneration, King's Cross has firmly established itself as London's premier design hub. KXCQ showcases an exciting array of exhibitions, installations and events to appeal to all those with an interest in design.



Above: Turkishceramics

designjunction

Granary Square, N1C 4AA

thedesignjunction.co.uk

Located in five industrial spaces around Granary Square, this cutting-edge interior design show presents 200 of the world's leading furniture, lighting and accessory brands alongside tempting pop-up shops and installations.

Ticket offer: 50% off on advanced tickets to designjunction.

Visit www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/tickets and enter promotional code 'KXCQ' to redeem.

Gateways

Granary Square, N1C 4AA

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This immersive ceramic installation is a series of four, colourful tiled gates created by designer Adam Nathaniel Furman for Turkishceramics. The 4-metre-high creation is a celebration of Turkey's rich artisanal history.



Conran + Partners x Studio Appétit presents The Food Religion

bloomon

Granary Square, N1C 4AA

thedesignjunction.co.uk/kxcq

Flower delivery service bloomon is creating a whimsical walkway covered inside and out with a canopy of fresh Dutch flowers. The bloom-laden passage leads towards a secret hidden door opening into a flower-filled room.

The Food Religion

German Gymnasium, King's Blvd, N1C4BU

thefoodreligion.com

Conran + Partners and Studio Appétit challenge the boundaries between architecture, design, food and faith. Introducing rituals of culinary tribute around a monumental shrine within the powerful interior of the German Gymnasium.

Renault – Life Designed

Granary Square, N1C 4AA

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Renault presents its award-winning concept car TreZor for the first time in the UK, housed inside a bespoke interactive structure. It is also exhibiting the results of a collaboration with Central Saint Martins industrial design students to design a car for the future.

Can Graphic Design Save Your Life?

Wellcome Collection: 7 September 2017 - 14 January 2018

183 Euston Road, London NW1 2BE

wellcomecollection.org

Headline partner Wellcome Collection presents Can Graphic Design Save Your Life? Consider the role of graphic design in constructing and communicating healthcare messages around the world and discover how graphic design has been used to persuade, to inform and to empower.

House of Illustration

2 Granary Square, N1C 4BH

houseofillustration.org.uk

The UK's only public gallery dedicated to illustration, with a diverse programme of exhibitions, talks, family workshops, masterclasses and short courses.

ARCHITECTURE

King's Cross has recently been transformed as one of the largest and most exciting regeneration projects in London. The 67-acre site is home to a lively blend of historic architectural gems and exciting contemporary architecture.

Explore these with New London Architecture's self-guided tour, which can be found on the reverse of the map available for download here: thedesignjunction.co.uk/kxcg



Above: King's Cross Gasholders

Coal Drops Yard – coming soon

Stable Street, N1C 4AB
coaldropsyard.com

Award-winning designer Thomas Heatherwick is converting a former Victorian coalstore into King's Cross's newest retail destination opening in Autumn 2018. Expect the best views of Coal Drops Yard from Bagley Walk, the beautifully landscaped link from Granary Square to the Regent's Canal.

Gasholders

Gasholders Sales Gallery, Goods Way, N1C 4UR
gasholderslondon.co.uk

Built in the 19th Century, these famous gasholders have been relocated to beside the Regent's Canal and are being restored and converted into residential use.

One Pancras Square

1 Pancras Square, N1C 4AG

Award-winning practice David Chipperfield Architects created this elegant, eight storey office building, which features 396 cast iron columns.

German Gymnasium

King's Blvd, N1C 4BU
germangymnasium.com

Designed as the first purpose-built gym in England, this Grade II listed building has been converted by architect Allies + Morrison into a grand European-style café.

SHOPPING

King's Cross is a fast-growing shopping destination for both independent boutique brands and respected labels. These will soon be supplemented by further retail at Coal Drops Yard, near Granary Square.



Above: The Canopy 2016

The Canopy

Granary Square, N1C 4AA

thedesignjunction.co.uk

This temporary pop-up venue brings together more than 70 premium retail brands under an impressive wrought iron structure. Visit The Canopy to shop everything from designed fashion accessories through to technology, textiles and stationery.

18montrose

6-8 Stable Street, N1C 4AB

18montrose.com

Newly-opened fashion and lifestyle store 18montrose features clothing and accessories for men and women and includes space for catwalk shows, product launches and musical performances.



Above: 18montrose

Frame

1 York Way, N1C 4AS

moveyourframe.com

From activewear and spikey balls to fitness nutrition and skincare, Frame gym caters for all fitness needs at its in-house shop.

Nike Central

2 Pancras Square, King's Blvd, N1C 4AG

nike.com

Nike Central King's Cross features 800sqm of the very best Nike products. Drop in to receive expert advice on the best products for your running technique and training style.



Above: Frame

FOOD AND DRINK

KXCQ is a treat for the tastebuds as well as the eyes, from elegant fine dining to the latest street food trends and pop-ups.



Above: German Gymnasium

Campari Creates

Granary Square Steps

19-24 September

campari.com

Milan's iconic bittersweet apéritif Campari® is hosting Campari Creates, a two-week residency of masterclasses and events exploring the brand's long history of creativity and design.

Ruby Violet

3 Wharf Rd, N1C 4BZ

rubyviolet.co.uk

This ice cream and sorbet parlour opened last year in the Midland Goods shed within the canal quarter of King's Cross. Ruby Violet's frozen delights are created using organic milk, free range eggs and seasonal fresh fruits.

Caravan

1 Granary Square, N1C 4AA

caravanrestaurants.co.uk

Housed within a Grade II listed Victorian grain store, Caravan offers eclectic global cooking amid industrial chic décor.



Above: Dishoom

Tala Mini Bar

Granary Square

thedesignjunction.co.uk/kxcq

Lighting manufacturer Tala is serving white ports and tonics from a refurbished vintage car in Granary Square, adorned with a canopy of its forest-inspired Voronoi bulbs.

German Gymnasium

King's Blvd, N1C 4BU

germangymnasium.com

This tribute to classic European grand cafes serves great Mittel-European food all day in a historic listed setting.

Dishoom

5 Stable Street, N1C 4AB

dishoom.com

A Bombay café in London and Edinburgh serving Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Chai, Dinner and Tipples

Lighterman

3 Granary Square, N1C 4BH

theligherman.co.uk

Arranged over three floors, this modern pub, dining room and bar is open for all-day dining and drinking.

HOTELS

Travellers are spoilt for choice with design-led hotels in King's Cross. Located close to both St Pancras International and the King's Cross and St Pancras domestic railway stations, the King's Cross district is the ideal place to stay whilst visiting London from the Continent or elsewhere in the UK.



Above: Pullman London St Pancras – designjunction's headline hotel partner

Pullman London St Pancras

100-110 Euston Road, NW1 2AJ

pullmanhotels.com

Conveniently located between King's Cross and Euston stations, this stylish hotel is popular with both business and leisure travellers. A stylish hotspot where business meets pleasure, Pullman London offers 312 contemporary rooms plus 17 meeting spaces that can be configured for any business function.

Hotel Megaro

Belgrove Street, WC1H 8AB

sphg.co.uk/the-megaro

Hotel Megaro is located next to St Pancras International and caters for both business and leisure clientele. The hotel's Karpo Grill showcases the best in regional British produce.

Hotel California

4-8 Belgrove Street, WC1H 8AB

sphg.co.uk/the-california

This family-friendly, city guest house is owned - like Hotel Megaro - by the St Pancras Hotel Group. The townhouse's facilities include a private terrace for al fresco drinking and a cosy lounge bar.

St Pancras Renaissance Hotel & Spa

Euston Road, NW1 2AR

stpancraslondon.com

Victorian Gothic splendour meets contemporary style at this luxurious five-star hotel, housed in the Sir George Gilbert Scott-designed Midland Grand Hotel at St Pancras. As well as sumptuous suites and a subterranean spa, the hotel boasts a range of restaurants that make the most of the building's grand interior.



Above: St Pancras Renaissance Hotel & Spa

Great Northern Hotel

Pancras Road, N1C 4TB

gnhlondon.com

This luxury boutique hotel is just 25 metres from the Eurostar terminus at King's cross St Pancras. Designed by Lewis Cubitt in 1854, the Great Northern Hotel has been beautifully renovated into a cossetting sanctuary for the discerning traveller.

For more information about designjunction, and to find out more about King's Cross Creative Quarter and the relevant events and offers and to download the map, visit:

thedesignjunction.co.uk/kxcq

For further information about designjunction please visit:

www.thedesignjunction.co.uk

designjunction London 2017

Thursday 21 – Sunday 24 September 2017

1 Granary Square | King's Cross | London | N1C 4AA

For tickets visit: www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/register

Public ticket prices:

£12 standard advance (online booking)

£15 on the door

Trade registration:

Free in advance (online booking)

£15 on the door

Press registration:

Free entry (online booking)

Press preview:

Thursday 21 September 9:30 - 11:00, RSVP here: <https://goo.gl/g2ZuSn>

Opening times:

Thursday 21 September 11:00 – 20:00

Friday 22 September 11:00 – 19:00

Saturday 23 September 11:00 – 18:00

Sunday 24 September 11:00 – 17:00

Ends

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The full line-up for this year's KXCQ is as follows:

DESIGN AND CULTURE

bloomon | Central St Martins | Creative Unions | designjunction | Design Meets | Gateways | House of Illustration | King's Place | Renault | Studio Appetite | Tala Mini Bar | Turkishceramics - Gateways | Wellcome Collection

FOOD AND DRINK

Booking Office Bar & Restaurant, St Pancras Renaissance Hotel | Campari Creates | Caravan | Dishoom | Drake & Morgan | German Gymnasium | The Gilbert Scott | Granger & Co | The Greek Larder | Hansom Lounge, St Pancras Renaissance Hotel | Kimchee | The Lighterman | Maple & Co | Rotunda Bar and Restaurant | Ruby Violet | Skip Garden | Spiritland | Vinoteca | Yumchaa

HOTELS

Pullman Hotel | Great Northern Hotel | Hotel California | Hotel Megaro | | St Pancras Renaissance Hotel & Spa

SHOPPING

The Canopy | Coal Drops Yard | House of Illustration shop | Frame | Nike Central | Radio | 18montrose

About designjunction

designjunction is London's leading destination for contemporary interior design and culture, held annually during the London Design Festival in September. designjunction presents more than 200 world-class international brands and smaller cutting-edge design labels to an audience of design professionals (architects, interior designers, retailers and media) as well as consumers. In 2016, designjunction attracted more than 27,000 visitors in five days.

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About Kings Cross

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Visit <http://www.kingscross.co.uk> for more information

@kingscrossN1C

About Wellcome Collection

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Wellcome Collection is part of Wellcome, a global charitable foundation that exists to improve health for everyone by helping great ideas to thrive. Both politically and financially independent, we support scientists and researchers, take on big problems, fuel imaginations and spark debate.

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