# designjunction

### London 21–24 September 2017

## What's on at designjunction - immersive installations, exciting product launches and creative workshops

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Above: Campari will bring a narrowboat to the King's Cross waterway (15-24 September)

designjunction (21 - 24 September) returns to the spectacular King's Cross site for the annual London Design Festival (LDF) offering a diverse selection of things to see and do during its four-day residence. As the show continues to be a leading destination for design, arts and culture, visitors can experience a plethora of immersive experiences, participate in creative workshops, indulge in a spot of retail therapy, engage in lively talks and debates and much more.

With an abundance of design experiences to choose from, the **top activities** not to be missed at designjunction this September include:

#### Take a walk through Granary Square

Visitors to Granary Square will be spoilt for choice at this year's show. The various stand-out projects, immersive installations and exciting food and drink options, will offer those who are curious about design the opportunity to experience different forms of design in a unique and creative way.



Above: Turkishceramics presents 'Gateways' designed by Adam Nathaniel Furman

Positioned in the middle of the fountain space is the immersive **Turkishceramics** 'Gateways' installation designed by Adam Nathaniel Furman in celebration of the rich history of ceramics from Turkey. **Renault UK** presents its award winning-concept car TreZor, never before seen in the UK, housed inside a bespoke interactive two-storey structure. Visitors will also get the chance to view designs from Renault's collaboration with Central Saint Martins' industrial design students who have designed a car for the future in a unique contest.



Above: Renault UK will present concept car TreZor on Granary Square

A refreshing addition to designjunction, **Campari®**, Italy's iconic red bittersweet apéritif, will host a 10-day residency in King's Cross with the 'Campari Creates' customised narrowboat in the Granary Square waterway. The centrepiece of the residency will be an installation by **Eley Kishimoto** commissioned by Campari to adorn the banks of the canal with a bespoke art installation featuring the iconic Campari logo. Additionally, visitors will be served a selection of Campari cocktails and Italian street food bringing the spirit of Milan's stylish Navigli district to central London.

Visitors can also enjoy a serving of white ports and tonics at the pop-up **Tala** mini bar, set within a refurbished vintage car on the square. Tala will also showcase an installation of its Voronoi bulbs that will form a forest-like canopy above the car.

**Dubai Design District (d3)** will showcase its 'Middle East: Design Now!' exhibition at designjunction for the first time, bringing together works from a collective of emerging designers and artists. For those interested in creating unique ways of adding space, **Remote Possibilities**, a new initiative launching at designjunction this year, will house the show's Box Office, showcasing the versatility of these pods that are suitable not only for public spaces, but also for personal use within the home.



Above: Dubai Design District (d3)

#### Engage in lively talks and debates

designjunction presents a two-day programme of **lively talks and debates** at The Office Group (TOG). Anchored around the show's theme 'where design meets', designjunction's 2017 Talks Programme is designed to inspire, engage and provoke. Over the two days, fourteen sessions will delve into a variety of engaging topics that affect and inform the design industry. From digital and workspace, to materials and home, the programme includes sessions with a stellar line-up of leading designers and creative brands (21-22 September).



Above: OMK 1965, Omstak chair

Be captivated by talks from Sir Kenneth Grange and Rodney Kinsman RDI (OMK 1965) both of whom will be in conversation with Design Museum Director Deyan Sudjic to discuss their design works, their successes and their approach to design over the years.

To view the full talks programme and to book tickets at £6 per talk, visit: <u>www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/talks</u>. The talks take place at The Office Group, King's Cross at the Stanley Building, designed by Studio Downie Architects.

#### Join in one of the creative workshops

designjunction offers visitors the chance to get creative with a number of innovative workshops to choose from.

Highlights of **Central Saint Martins' (CSM) short courses** include a 'Drawing Design' workshop by Ilga Leimanis and a 'Frankensteining' workshop by Rod Judkins where attendees will explore ways of creating something new from pre-existing materials.

For further details and to book tickets visit:

CSM 'Drawing For Design' Workshop: <u>www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/CSM-drawing</u> CSM 'Frankensteining' Workshop: <u>www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/CSM-frankensteining</u>



Above: Central Saint Martins (CSM) workshop

Throughout **Campari's** ten-day residency in King's Cross, the Italian aperitif brand will host a series of 'Campari Creates' Masterclasses offering attendees the chance to get creative whilst enjoying one of Campari's signature serves.

The 'Perfect Cocktails' class (£15) will teach participants how to create Campari's most famous cocktails, whilst the 'Design Your Own Campari Bottle' class (£20) will see the London Craft Club impart its creative knowledge of how to design a bespoke, personalised Campari bottle.

Additionally, a talk by Eley Kishimoto on the creation of their public installation will highlight the inspiration behind the design and its development (£FOC).

For further details on the Campari Creates Masterclasses and to book tickets visit: <u>www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/campari-masterclasses</u>

Those interested to learn the art of creating beautiful bouquets can do so with the help of **bloomon**. Inside a discreet floral room found at the end of the flower tunnel that promises to be one of Granary Square's main attractions, the flower delivery service will host a series of intimate flower arranging workshops ( $\pm 27$ ). Ticket holders will also be treated to a bespoke floral cocktail in this one-hour class.

For further details and to book tickets visit: www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/bloomonworkshops

#### Indulge in some retail therapy at The Canopy

A temporary pop-up retail venue featuring over 70 retail brands and emerging designers, **The Canopy** gives visitors the opportunity to browse and buy design-led home and fashion accessories, jewellery, technology, ceramics, stationery and textiles under one roof. Choose from **Another Studio's** selection of homewares including its Timber Tailor wooden light pendants, **Such & Such's** curated offering of concrete pedants, linen and ceramic tableware and more, the latest range of unisex sunglasses by **Monc London**, the new Milan stationery collection from **Papersmiths**, or **Dashel's** selection of urban helmets to name a few.



Above: Another Studio, Timber Tailor pendant

#### Pit-stop at designjunction's creative cafés and pop-up food stalls

For those looking to refuel with a snack and a drink whilst taking in all the design inspiration, designjunction presents two creative cafés and a host of pop-up vendors.

Celebrating the launch of **2LG** and **Custhom's** new collection of luxury wallpapers, linens and velvets, the London based design studios will bring an interactive café to Cubitt Park. Visitors can participate in live screen printing, adding colour and pattern to the space and walls of the café.



Above: 2LG x Custhom launches its interactive café in celebration of their new Forest Hill collection

As part of an exciting collaboration, **Kickstarter** and the Turner Prize-winning collective **Assemble** will stage an immersive café, in The Canopy, to showcase SPLATWARE, a new line of limited edition experimental tableware products made by Granby Workshop.



Above: Kickstarter x ASSEMBLE collaborate bringing its immersive café to The Canopy

London-based **Hourglass** will be operating designjunction's purpose-built cafes across the show areas. Re-charge and relax with locally-sourced artisan coffees, teas and specialty hot drinks alongside a short vegetarian menu, freshly baked cakes and pastries.

Returning to the buzzing Granary Square, **Real Food Festival** will bring a selection of the most delicious street food vans in London. Choose from the carefully selected, top-quality artisan food options on offer.

Also making a return to the show, **Paleta Girls** will bring visitors its delicious and refreshing superfruit ice lollies that are packed with 100% natural ingredients. All paletas are handmade and free from refined sugar, relying on the natural sweetness of the fruits and just a touch of honey or dates.

What better beer brand could do a pop-up in The Canopy section than **Canopy Beer Co**? The aptly named brand is a brewery and tap room based a stone's throw from Brockwell Park, South London. Their emphasis is on drinkable, vibrant beers made with minimal intervention - no filtration, no finings and no pasteurisation. Canopy Beer Co will be serving their small batch beers in The Canopy across show open dates.

#### Be productive, creative and stay connected at the pop-up workspace

Creating a pop-up workspace at designjunction's Cubitt House, on-demand meeting space provider Breather collaborates with furniture manufacture Modus. The **Breather x Modus** workspace will be the perfect place for trade and press visitors to work, meet, focus and get online. The space will feature Modus's expanded 'Edge' collection by design consultancy PearsonLloyd.



Above: Breather x Modus Workspace pop-up, the place to meet, focus and stay connected

#### Support young and emerging designers

designjunction also sets the bar for new and emerging design, with displays of the UK's inaugural **Rado Star Prize** competition, where a shortlist of ten finalists' projects will be displayed in The Crossing. Exploring the theme 'Design Meets Time', the winning design will be announced at the show with the winner receiving a £5,000 cash prize and a Rado Ceramica watch. Additionally, the public can select their favourite project among the finalists by voting at the show, with the winner of the public vote receiving a Rado Ceramica watch.



Above: ARTS THREAD - Paper Shelf by Torsten Sherwood

Additionally, **ARTS THREAD**, the online educational tool designed to connect industry students, universities and schools will showcase a curated selection of new designers. **TroupingColour**, a project developed to create opportunities for young designers who join forces to exhibit their works will also be on show.

#### View illuminating lighting brands and impressive light installations

The show welcomes back **lightjunction**, an area on the ground floor of Cubitt House dedicated to decorative lighting brands from across the globe. **Rich Brilliant Willing** launches the sculptural Palindrome Chandelier, whilst **Martinelli Luce** showcases its Cyborg and Plisse lamps for the first time in the UK. In addition, **Resident** will create an installation suspended over the staircase at Cubitt House with its Circus Light, a system of interconnected rings that will form a striking vertical decoration.

A further array of lighting brands and bespoke installations can also be found throughout the show's other sites. In The Crossing lighting installations not to miss include a collaboration with **Blackbody** and **Haviland**, a union of light and porcelain. **LG Display** will also exhibit its OLED light panels, and will launch the LG OLED Design competition encouraging emerging and established designers to enter into this contest.



Above: LG Display OLED Light

Other lighting brands exhibiting at designjunction include **Marset**, Artifact Lighting, **Di Classe**, Enigma Lighting, Dark Light Design and many more.

#### Discover materials that appeal, inspire and intrigue

From traditional ceramics to cutting-edge 3D printing technology, designjunction continues to be a leading platform for innovative product design.



Above: The SCIN Gallery

The SCIN Gallery, recognised for sourcing materials and advising architects, designers and specifiers in an inspirational and informative way hosts an exhibition of curated global materials that touches on the future, debates the truly sustainable and welcomes the beautiful.

Celebrating 50 years of innovative designs and materials, **Corian**® continues its evolution with the introduction of three unique and captivating aesthetics - Concrete, Onyx and Prima. These new collections of colours and patterns will be creatively and elegantly featured in The Crossing with a series of room sets.

Offering sustainable and innovative carpets, **DESSO**<sup>®</sup> develops unique products that contribute to people's health and wellbeing and will showcase its 'lconic' carpet tiles in the Press and VIP area at designjunction.

For further information about designjunction please visit: <u>www.thedesignjunction.co.uk</u>

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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

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#### 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**

King's Cross is London's new creative quarter, home to 67 acres of inspiring businesses and outstanding architecture, destination restaurants and a vibrant cultural scene. The area's industrial past has inspired the 50 new and repurposed buildings; the public spaces between them are a mix of parks, streets, squares, and gardens, with Granary Square and its fountains as a heart.

Over 12,000 people now work in the area in companies including Google, Havas, PRS for Music, Louis Vuitton, Camden Council, The Office Group, Vistaprint, Autotrader and ArtFund. A further 800,000 sq. foot of office space remains to be delivered.

King's Cross has close to 2,000 homes – a mix of private, rental, student and affordable housing – in 18 residential buildings. All have been designed with care; the stand-out development is Gasholders London, 145 apartments built within Grade II-listed cast-iron gasholder frames.

Already known as a foodie hotspot, King's Cross is now establishing itself as a retail destination. Nike, 18Montrose and Waitrose are already open, with Jigsaw, & Other Stories and Carhartt WIP all set to open new stores shortly. The retail vision will complete in late 2018 when Coal Drops Yard, London's newest shopping street, opens in a pair of redesigned Victorian coal buildings, creating 100,000 sq ft. of boutiques, shops, bars and restaurants in the centre of King's Cross.

The King's Cross estate is owned by the King's Cross Central Limited Partnership, made up of Argent and pension fund Australian Super.

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