

designjunction

Talks Programme

21–22 September 2017

Introducing the new Talks Programme at designjunction, set to challenge, provoke and engage

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Above: Talks Programme at designjunction 2015

With only a few weeks to go, the anticipated designjunction not only presents hundreds of product launches, immersive installations, pop-up shops, plus the many food and drink options to choose from, the show also welcomes an exciting new **talks programme**. Designed to inspire, engage and provoke, the talks will take place at the nearby co-working space The Office Group (TOG) in King's Cross.

The two-day programme (Thursday 21 - Friday 22 September) offers a series of lively discussions and debates with high profile designers and creative brands including Sir Kenneth Grange; Julio Terra (Kickstarter); Jordan Cluroe and Russell Whitehead (2LG Studio); Deyan Sudjic (Design Museum) and Tina Norden (Conran and Partners).

Encompassing 14 sessions, each talk aims to engage on topical issues around the show's theme of 'Where Design Meets', exploring how design encounters different sub-topics including Where Design Meets... Home, Workspace, Materials, King's Cross, Architecture and many more.

To view the full talks programme and to book tickets at £6 per talk visit:
www.thedesignjunction.co.uk/talks

Thursday 21 September

11:00-11:50

Where Design Meets Architecture



Speaker: Arthur Mamou-Mani

Kicking off the talks programme, a CPD session with RIBA and renowned architect Arthur Mamou-Mani who will share his knowledge of running an innovative architectural practice, providing insight into how architects can use their design skills to diversify their business model.

12:00-12:50

Where Design Meets Home



Chair: Claudia Baillie, design and interiors journalist

Speakers: Jordan Cluroe and Russell Whitehead from 2LG Studio; designer Daniel Schofield; and Jemma Ooi, Director at Cuthom

For those looking for interior design inspiration, this discussion discovers the secrets of turning a house into a bespoke home.

13.00-13.50

Where Design Meets Finland, presented by Iittala



Chair: Suzanne Trocmé, British designer, curator and author

Speaker: Jeremiah Tesolin, Creative Director of Iittala; Marianne Goebel, Managing Director of Artek; Sanna Annukka, Printmaker and Textile Designer for brands including Marikmekko; and Charlotte Fiell, design historian and writer

With Finland marking its centenary as an independent state this year, Iittala presents a talk exploring how design has been at the forefront of Finland's identity over the last 100 years, and looks to the future of Nordic Design.

14:00-14:50

Where Design Meets Materials



Chair: Tina Norden, Director at Conran and Partners

Speakers: Seetal Solanki, Founder and Director of Ma-tt-er; designer Laetitia de Allegri; and Ido Garini of Studio Appétit

This discussion explores the diversity of materials and how design practices and research studios are experimenting with both technique and approach to design, from multi-sensory experiences to longevity of materials.

15:00-15:50

Where Design Meets Digital



Chair: Kati Price, Head of Digital Media Department at V&A Museum

Speakers: Rose Etherington, Editor-in-Chief at Clippings; Julio Terra, Director of Design and Technology at Kickstarter; Kristian Snorre Andersen, CEO of Adorno; and Design Blogger and Content Creator Sarah Akwisombe

Looking at the ways digital platforms are changing the way we consume, design and support the creative industries. The panel will explore the ways in which platforms including Kickstarter and Clippings will evolve over the next ten years for both designers and consumers.

16:00-16:50

Where Design Meets Workspace



Chair: Mark Eltringham, Editor of Workplace Insight Magazine

Speakers: Charlie Green Co-CEO of The Office Group (TOG); Tom Lloyd, Director at PearsonLloyd; Jo Berryman, Creative Director of Jo Berryman Studio; and Chris Moriarty, Managing Director at Leesman

Presented by TOG, this session looks into designing for the workspace, how furniture and interior designers need to adapt when designing for this space, whilst looking into the challenges that might be encountered along the way.

17:00-18:00

Where Design Meets Approach



Chair: Deyan Sudjic, Director at the Design Museum

Speakers: Rodney Kinsman RDI, Design Director and Founder of OMK; and Sir Kenneth Grange, Britain's leading product designer for the likes of the London black cab, Parker pens, Kodak cameras and more

Join this prestigious panel for an insight into the lives and works of Rodney Kinsman RDI and Sir Kenneth Grange and how they have approached their work over the years.

Friday 22 September

11:00-11:50

Where Design Meets King's Cross



Chair: Johnny Tucker, Editor of Blueprint

Speakers: Robert Evans, Partner at Argent; Eric Parry, award-winning architect; Sally Mackereth, Principal at Studio Mackereth; Lisa Finlay, Group Leader for Coal Drops Yard; and Jonathan Tuckey, Director at Jonathan Tuckey Design, one of the UK's leading advocates for remodelling and radically transforming old buildings for modern uses

King's Cross, the new Creative Quarter for London, forms the basis of this talk. The panel discusses the most significant recent development in the city, and draws on the expertise of the different companies that have made an impact within the area.

12:00-12:50

Where Design Meets Discipline

Chair: Patrick Burgoyne, Editor at Creative Review

Speakers: Gokhan Avcioglu, Principal and Founder of the GAD Foundation; Mark Eley, Co-founder of Eley Kishimoto; and Koray Malhan, Brand and Design Director of Koleksiyon

A cross-disciplinary debate across architecture, graphics, product, print and art and how concept, approach and method change through different perspectives.

13:00-13:50

Where Design Meets Education

Chair: Sarah Dawood, Deputy Editor at Design Week

Speakers: Daniel Charny, Director of From Now On and Fixperts; Matias Shortcook, Associate Dean of Pre-Degree at Plymouth College of Art; and Sorrel Hershberg, Director at The Saturday Club Trust

Design Week presents a panel discussion on education and how bringing together creativity and science can provide a fulfilling and rounded learning experience. The panel will talk about their roles, Government focus and the concept of putting the creativity of “A” into STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and maths).

14:00-14:50

Where Design Meets Care



Speakers: Laura Lee, Chief Executive of Maggie's; and Alex de Rijke of architecture practice dRMM

Charity Maggie's has a network of 21 unique cancer care centres providing practical and emotional support for those living with cancer. Architecture practice, dRMM is responsible for the latest design of Maggie's centre in Oldham.

This discussion will explore the idea of creating a sanctuary with the use of specific materials as part of a bigger design intention, helping to reverse the norms of hospital architecture.

All proceeds from this Talk will be donated to Maggie's.

15:00-15:50

Where Design Meets Politics

Chair: Sarah Dawood

Speakers: Sarah Weir, CEO of Design Council; Further speakers TBA

Unpaid internships, free pitching and nepotism coupled with a high number of graduates can all make design hard to break into. Design Week presents a panel discussion on social diversity and what can be done to open up job opportunities to people from different backgrounds and from outside of London.

16:00-16:50

Where Design Meets London presented by NLA

Chair: Catherine Staniland, Director at NLA

Speakers: Julian Maynard, Director of Maynard; Further speakers TBA

New London Architecture explores how new design concepts and smart ideas are transforming London's urban environment. As London becomes an increasingly 24-hour cultural city, how can new cutting edge smart technologies, lighting and infrastructure improve our interactions with the city?

17:00-1900

Where Design Meets Colour



Chair: Caroline Till, Editor of Viewpoint Colour Magazine

Speakers: Kim Boutin and David Broner, co-founders of DVTK; and Francesca Sarti, Director of Arabeschi

Closing this year's talks programme will be an exploration of the role of colour in design across branding and food design.

To conclude the talks programme this session will be followed by a colourful drinks reception at The Office Group (TOG).

The Office Group is home to flexible and design-led co-working office spaces found across the UK, with designjunction's Talks Programme taking place in TOG's prestigious Stanley Building site, a space designed by Studio Downie Architects and Wells Mackereth.

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Please ensure to arrive 15 minutes before the talk time

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Talks Programme ticket prices:

£6 per talk

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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

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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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.

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

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About TOG (The Office Group)

TOG is home to one of the most creative, exciting and forward-thinking working communities in the UK.

We create beautifully designed buildings with a wide variety of spaces. We offer tenants progressive membership schemes and short-term leases to allow for growth and change. Each building has its own unique identity, but all have an excellent range of facilities and vibrant communal areas to foster an open, collaborative working culture.

With 15,000 members working across 30 buildings, 29 of which are in London, we house one of the fastest growing and most diverse workforces in Britain.

Whatever your goals, you can achieve them here — and you can find collaborators to help you.

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