

Inaugural Melbourne Design Fair: Showcasing Australia's Leading Designers



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Presented as part of Melbourne Design Week, the inaugural Melbourne Design Fair (16 – 20 March 2022) is a commercial showcase of limited edition, rare and one-of-a kind collectable contemporary design by Australia's leading emerging and established contemporary designers and designer makers.

An initiative of the National Gallery of Victoria in collaboration with the Melbourne Art Foundation, the Fair breaks new ground in the presentation, promotion and sale of collectible contemporary design in Australia and will offer audiences a unique cultural experience with all the design works presented available for purchase.

Melbourne Design Fair is a key event within the Victorian government backed Melbourne Design Week program, and the first of its kind in Australia to bring together designers, design organisations, agencies, studios and galleries with collectors to meet and do business over five days at Warehouse 16, 28 Duke Street in Abbotsford.

The Fair will showcase collectible contemporary design works across two platforms: PRESENT where galleries, design organisations, agencies and studios mount dedicated displays by the design creatives they represent, and SELECT, a curated exhibition featuring the best works by emerging and established designers and designer-makers from across Australia. Works across both platforms will be available for purchase.

Present

PRESENT includes presentations by thirteen of Australia's leading galleries, design organisations, agencies, and studios. Participation in the inaugural Fair, curated by NGV includes Gallery Sally Dan-Cuthbert (Sydney), Sophie Gannon Gallery (Melbourne), Studio Roland Snooks (Melbourne), Sullivan+Strumpf (Sydney), Broached Commissions (Melbourne), Agency Projects (Melbourne), Christopher Boots (Melbourne), C. Gallery (Melbourne), Craft (Melbourne), JamFactory (Adelaide), Local Design (Sydney), Modern Times (Melbourne) and Design Tasmania (Tasmania).

PRESENT designer and gallery participant list as of 2 February 2022: Gallery Sally Dan-Cuthbert (Sydney), Sophie Gannon Gallery (Melbourne), Studio Roland Snooks (Melbourne), Sullivan+Strumpf (Sydney), Broached Commissions (Melbourne), Agency Projects (Melbourne), Christopher Boots (Melbourne), C. Gallery (Melbourne), Craft (Melbourne), JamFactory (Adelaide), Local Design (Sydney), and Modern Times (Melbourne). Showcasing the works of Broached Commissions, Trent Jansen, Don Cameron, Michael Gittings, Olive Gill-Hille, Tarryn Gill, Trent Jansen and Johnny Nargoodah, Sabine Marcelis, Adam Markowitz, Abdullah M. I. Syed, Zhu Ohmu, Rive Roshan, David Tate, Ivana Taylor, Tibet Sydney, Damien Wright, Dean Norton, Zachary Frankel, Nicole Lawrence, James Howe, Henry Wilson, Bettina Willner, Ebony Russell, Kenny Yong-soo Son, Emily Hamann, Ash Fischer, Ashley Corbett-Smith, Kirsten Coelho, Natalya Hughes, Sanné Mestrom, Ben Mazey, Connie Augoustinos, Clare Belfrage, Selinda Davidson, Liam Fleming, Susan Frost, Calum Hurley, Ayano Yoshizumi, Duncan Young, D Noah Hartley, Danielle Brustman, Elliot Rich, Makiko Ryujin, Emma Elizabeth, Tom Fereday, Tom Skeeahan, Anna Varendorff, Andrew Simpson, Luke Storrier, Christopher Boots, Roland Snooks, Anastasia le Fay, Belle Thierry, Caro Pattle, Danielle Thiris, Jessie French, Lisa Waup, Misseu, Owen Rye, Vanessa Lucas, Jessica Murtagh, Dean Toepfer and Yoko Ozawa among others.

Select

SELECT brings together over thirty-five Australian design creatives in a presentation curated by Simone LeAmon, NGV's Hugh Williamson Curator of Contemporary Design and Architecture. Works for sale will manifest in a compelling exhibition comprising a mix of Australian design luminaries and rising stars, including Dale Hardiman, Ashley Eriksmoen, Emery and Poole, Pirjo Haikola, Elliot Bastianon, Marta Figueiredo, Jordan Fleming, Adam Goodrum, Brodie Neill, Ella Saddington, Susan Cohn, James Lemon, Delissa Walker, Helen Kontouris, Jon Goulder, Andrew Carvolth, Cassie Leatham, Anna Varendorff and Damien Wright, among others.

SELECT designer participant list as of 2 February 2022: Confirmed participants include Dale Hardiman, Jonathan Ben-Tovim, Ashley Eriksmoen, Emery and Poole, Marta Figueiredo, Andrew Carvolth, Pirjo Haikola, Elliot Bastianon, Jordan Fleming, Luca Lettieri, Anna Verendorff, Adam Goodrum, Rossana Ceravolo, Brodie Neill, Ella Saddington, Jay Jermyn, Su san Cohn, James Lemon, Kate Rohde, Takeshi Iue, Delissa Walker, Anton Gerner, Ferro Forma, Helen Kontouris, Jon Goulder, Brud Studio, Delissa Walker, James Walsh, Cassie Leatham and Damien Wright.

A Program Of Talks And Conversations With Exhibiting Designers, Design Curators, And Critics

Providing an unrivalled opportunity to view, discover and purchase significant works of collectable contemporary design by Australian and New Zealand designers, Melbourne Design Fair will include a program of talks and conversations with exhibiting designers, design curators, and critics to broaden awareness of the contemporary collectable design scene in Australia and internationally, and a film series presented by major partner Mercedes-Benz Australia, offering further insight into the creative practices and design work of participating designers.

“The NGV and the Melbourne Art Foundation joining forces for Melbourne Design Fair showcases Melbourne's best talents while creating economic opportunity for local designers. Melbourne Design Fair will be a highlight of Melbourne Design Week 2022.” —Martin Pakula, Acting Minister for Creative Industries

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Located at Warehouse 16, 28 Duke Street in Abbotsford, ticket sales and a complete program of participating galleries, designers and events will be announced via designfair.melbourne in early February.

Melbourne Design Fair is a part of Melbourne Design Week, an initiative of the Victorian Government. Learn more via designweek.melbourne.