

ASIF KHAN JOINS DESIGN MUSEUM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Design Museum is pleased to announce that British architectural talent Asif Khan has been appointed to its board of trustees.

Khan has a longstanding relationship with the museum, having been one of its Designers in Residence in 2010, the designer of two exhibitions in 2012 and a nominee for this year's Designs of the Year award.

Deyan Sudjic, Design Museum Director said 'We are very much looking forward to Asif's input as we move toward the opening of the new Design Museum.'

Asif Khan said, 'It is a great honour for me to join the Design Museum board. I hope I can bring a totally new perspective to this brilliant institute.'

The appointment comes at a key point in the museum's history, as it prepares to relocate from its current home in Shad Thames to Kensington, next year.

Asif Khan joins the board, chaired by Luqman Arnold, whose other members are: Zdeněk Bakala, Nicholas Bull, Sebastian Conran, Sir Terence Conran, David Constantine MBE, Hugh Devlin, Sir Christopher Frayling, Sir John Hegarty, Anya Hindmarch MBE, Johannes P. Huth, Alistair Johnston CMG, Charles Rifkind, Lady Ritblat, Rolf Sachs and Julian Vogel.

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The Design Museum is a charity governed by its trustees. The board of trustees delegates its authority to seven sub-committees, which include trustees, senior management staff and co-opted advisors, to advise it on specific areas of the Design Museum's operations. These are the Curatorial, Development and Communications, Enterprise, Finance, Learning, Nominations and Project Delivery committees.

Asif Khan's London-based architecture practice was founded in 2007. Works range from cultural buildings and masterplans to houses, temporary pavilions, exhibitions, installations and products. The design solution in each project is highly distinct, yet unified by a meticulous understanding of place, purpose and potential.

Notable projects include a finalist design for the Helsinki Guggenheim Museum, the MegaFaces Pavilion at the Sochi 2014 Winter Olympic Games awarded the Innovation Grand Prix at Cannes Lion 2014 and a Red Dot for design, '7 Billion' a runner-up for the British Pavilion at the Milan Expo 2015, Coca-Cola's Beatbox pavilion at the London 2012 Olympic Games, Parhelia at Design Miami 2012 and his first project West Beach Cafe in Littlehampton in 2008.

Khan was a Designer in Residence in 2010 at the Design Museum and was



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awarded Designer of the Future at Design Miami in 2011. He continues to exhibit and lecture on the studio's work globally.

The **Design Museum** is building the world's leading museum devoted to architecture and design, its work encompasses all elements of design, including fashion, product and graphic design. Since it opened its doors in 1989 the museum has displayed everything from an AK-47 to the Duchess of Cambridge's wedding dress. It has staged over 100 exhibitions, welcomed over five million visitors and showcased the work of some of the world's most celebrated designers including Thomas Heatherwick, Paul Smith, Zaha Hadid, Jonathan Ive, Miuccia Prada, Frank Gehry, Eileen Gray and Dieter Rams.

The Design Museum is relocating from its current home at Shad Thames to the former Commonwealth Institute building in Kensington, West London. The project is expected to be completed by 2016. Leading designer John Pawson will convert the interior of the Commonwealth Institute building to create a new home for the Design Museum giving it three times more space in which to show a wider range of exhibitions and significantly extend its learning programme.

For more information, please visit:

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