

DESIGN MUSEUM

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RICHARD ROGERS + ARCHITECTS – FROM THE HOUSE TO THE CITY

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One of the most influential British architects of our time, Richard Rogers has established himself and his practice at the forefront of today's architectural culture through such high-profile projects as the Pompidou Centre, the headquarters for Lloyd's of London, the Millennium Dome, the National Assembly for Wales and Terminal 5 at Heathrow Airport.

Richard Rogers + Architects – From the House to the City will present a detailed survey of Rogers' work. This spans the early years with Norman and Wendy Foster and Su Rogers at Team 4 in the 1960s and designing the Pompidou Centre with Renzo Piano in the 1970s, to the establishment of Richard Rogers Partnership – now Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners – and the numerous projects designed by the practice and built throughout the world over the past four decades.

The projects are arranged in colour-coded sections, with each 'urban block' evoking an architectural theme which examines a range of projects through new and archive models, photographs, drawings and films. In each thematic area – Transparent, Legible, Green, Lightweight, Public, Urban and Systems – projects that are particularly representative of that theme are explored. Rogers' early career and influences are examined in an 'Early Work' section, and current projects by Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners are featured in a 'Work in Progress' section.

Richard Rogers + Architects – From the House to the City, designed by Ab Rogers Design, will appear in the museum's first floor gallery, with additional installations in the Design Museum Tank, the café, and the ground floor atrium space.

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Deyan Sudjic, Director of the Design Museum said: "Richard Rogers has had the most remarkable career in British architecture. Beginning with an extraordinary family house in Cornwall, then changing the shape of post-war architecture with the Pompidou Centre, and now heading up an international office that is busier than ever. The Design Museum is delighted to stage this important exhibition, the first of Richard Rogers' work in London since 1986."

Richard Rogers said: "The Design Museum is part of contemporary London's cultural revolution and one of my favourite museums. I am delighted that our work will be shown there."

Richard Rogers + Architects – From the House to the City will visit the Design Museum as its first touring destination, having opened at the Pompidou Centre, Paris in 2007 to international acclaim.

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. RICHARD ROGERS IN CONVERSATION

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE £20

Richard Rogers, one of Britain's most influential architects, is interviewed by BBC creative director Alan Yentob. After the event there will be an opportunity to view the exhibition **Richard Rogers + Architects – From the House to the City**.

Tickets are available in advance from tickets@designmuseum.org or 020 7940 8783 or ticketweb.co.uk doors open at 18.45, talk 19.15 to 20.30

2. DESIGN OVERTIME

FRIDAY 23 May £5

6 - 10pm LAST ADMISSION 9.15pm Tickets £5

Design Overtime provides an opportunity to view Design Museum exhibitions until 10pm, and encourages participation through workshops, activities and debates.

3. Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners: rsh-p.com | Ab Rogers Design: abrogers.com

4. Canary Wharf Group plc - Exhibition Sponsors

"Our working relationship with Richard Rogers spans over 10 years and we are delighted to be able to support the Design Museum in its staging of this exhibition. Richard has a unique approach and his contribution to architecture is unparalleled - the Design Museum is the ideal setting in which to illustrate his work." Comments Tony Jordan, Vice President of Development, Canary Wharf Group plc.

5. RICHARD ROGERS BIOGRAPHY + SELECTED PROJECTS

- 1933 Born in Florence, Italy to Anglo-Irish parents
- 1939 The family moves to England
- 1954 Begins studies at the Architectural Association in London
- 1959 Graduates from Architectural Association; travels to United States to join Yale University Master's programme
- 1963 Returns to the UK to found Team 4 with Su Brumwell and Norman and Wendy Foster
- 1966 Team 4's first project is Creek Veau house in Cornwall
- 1967 Team 4 awarded Reliance Controls factory project in Swindon, Wiltshire
- 1977 Pompidou Centre, Paris, with Renzo Piano. Founds Richard Rogers Partnership with Marco Goldschmied and Mike Davies
- 1978 Wins competition for Lloyd's Building, London
- 1989 Wins competition for Terminal 5, Heathrow Airport
- 1997 Barajas Airport, Madrid
- 1998 Law Courts, Antwerp
- 1998 National Assembly for Wales
- 2003 The Fourth Grace, Liverpool
- 2006 Practice awarded Stirling Prize for Madrid Barajas Airport
- 2007 Rogers appointed Pritzker Prize Laureate
- 2007 Selector for 25/25 – Celebrating 25 Years of Design exhibition at the Design Museum 29 March - 22 June
- 2008 Richard Rogers + Architects – From the House to the City exhibition opens at the Design Museum

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