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An exhibition and event programme featuring current trends in design, in particular in interior design, with exhibitions in Cologne-based showrooms, galleries, interior design shops, cultural institutions, museums and universities.

For the 31st time, PASSAGEN will be kicking off the international design season in January 2020. The shows by international designers and manufacturers will be attracting design aficionados to explore the tightly packed route through Cologne's city centre.

The **Cologne Museum of Applied Art (MAKK)** will be staging the first monographic exhibition on the Cologne-based Pentagon Group (1985-1991). Also at the **MAKK**, door fittings manufacturer **FSB** will be showing the development process of a range of door handles. These handles were the first industrial commission for **Jasper Morrison** who has rewritten design history with his "super normal" approach. Presented at **Hotel 25hours "The Circle"**, the 2020 **A&W Designers of the Year** are Yael Mer and Shay Alkalay from **RAW EDGES**. In the nearby **Hotel Qvest**, the online interior magazine

SoLeblch will again be featuring new interior trends in a fully refurbished apartment. **Conmoto** will be presenting the Berlin-based designer **Mark Braun** at Art Galerie 7. In direct proximity to the gallery and in collaboration with Trademark Publishing, **Buchhandlung Walther König** will be staging an archive created by designers **Kai Linke, Jonathan Radetz, Antonia Henschel and Thomas Schnur**. Opposite, at gallery **Zero Fold**, the architectural studio **O&O Baukunst** will be showing and discussing “The Colours of Cologne”.

Three international wallpaper and paint manufacturers – **Little Greene, Lelièvre Paris and Cole & Son** – will be showing new products at **Livingwalls**: a German premiere that coincides with the labels’ exhibition in Paris. The winners of the **German Design Council’s Iconic Awards 2020** will again be exhibited at Kölnischer Kunstverein. Opposite, the **Kartell Flagship Store Köln A.I.** will be featuring a chair designed by **Philippe Starck**, the first chair created with the use of artificial intelligence. The **APROPOS Concept Store** on Mittelstrasse will be presenting the US interior designer **Jonathan Adler**. At Neumarkt, lighting retailer **Remagen** will be celebrating its 175th anniversary with selected collections. **Stefan Diez** will be staging his new lamp design for **Midgard** in a showroom at the Temporary Gallery.

Interior retailers and showrooms along the **Ring boulevard** will be presenting novelties: the **Giorgetti Store** will be showing new designs by **Carlo Colombo** and **Pesch** will be showcasing new international products. **Heider Wohnambiente** will be introducing its new partner, **DESIGN.SMART.HOME**, which specialises in smart home concepts in combination with light, materials, kitchen design and interior design. Both the **Occhio Store Köln** and **Tobias Grau Showroom** will be presenting their new collections and designs. The new **Reform Showroom Cologne** will be featuring kitchen design by, among others, designer duo **Muller Van Severen, BIG** and **Norm Architects**.

More showrooms and flagship stores are located in the city centre and the Belgian Quarter: **Jan Kath Store by Nyhues** will be presenting the new **Spectrum** collection of carpets by **Jan Kath**; the Spanish materials producer **Neolith** will be showing architectural designs at Fiebach, Minninger; the **Hästens Store** will be showcasing a 'Sleep Spa'; **Boffi** and **De Padova** will be showing new products by **Piero Lissoni** and re-editions by **Paul McCobb**. New communication and office products will be staged at The **Lintex Showroom**. **MAGAZIN Klaus Wolter** will be presenting the Dutch manufacturer **PASTOE** and **SMOW** will be showing **USM Haller**. **Oberender** by Klecka will be showcasing new bathroom products by international manufacturers and the **petra buchholz concept store** will be featuring paints by **Porter's Paints** and fabrics by **GP&J Baker London**.

The whole of the Belgian Quarter will again become a hotspot with its colourful spectrum of PASSAGEN shows: in addition to the big international brands, there will be exhibitions by **embo**, **Modal Concept**, **Belchengruppe**, **Ceramic District** and **Creed**, as well as by manufactories and designers such as **Maya Maria**, **Herr Lars**, **Atelier Sängers**, **Stefan Leuchter**, **Marco Iannicelli** and, in the basement of Christuskirche: **Maximilian Michaelis**, **Die Koje** and **innova neo**. The exhibitions *Räumliche Intervention* (spatial intervention) by the **Peter Behrens School of Arts, Düsseldorf** and **Designers Tower 2020** by **DESICGN** will be focusing on young talents and works by students.

Supported by **KölnBusiness Wirtschaftsförderungs-GmbH** and **Go-International Österreich**, the **GENERATION KÖLN** group, curated by Sabine Voggenreiter, will be introducing the project *Generation Köln trifft Bregenzerwald*: the designers **Karoline Fesser**, **Klemens Grund**, **Tim Kerp** and **Thomas Schnur** will be exhibiting together with Harald Berchtold, Martin Bereuter, Valentin Winder, Wolfgang Meusburger and Wolfgang Schmidinger, a group of selected craftspeople who are members of Werkraum Bregenzerwald. Together with the designers, they have created products

made of silver fir, which will be on show at Galerie Martina Kaiser, also located in the **Belgian Quarter**.

Supported by **KölnBusiness Wirtschaftsförderungs-GmbH** and awarded by PASSAGEN and the German Design Council, the **PASSAGEN Prize** will see its third edition in 2020. The award ceremony will take place on 14 January, 8pm, at **Hallmackenreuther** on Brüsseler Platz. The prize goes to up-and-coming designers whose PASSAGEN contribution stands out thanks to a sophisticated interrelation between product and staging.

The 2018 PASSAGEN Prize winner, **Hannah Kuhlmann**, will be presenting the 'wild side' of PASSAGEN in two exhibitions: at **Alte Feuerwache** and at **GOLD + BETON**, 14 artists will be exploring the identity-generating role of rituals. Furthermore, several project galleries at and around Ebertplatz will be providing space for young designers and artists to exhibit their work: the off-spaces **LABOR**, **Eremitage** and **Atelier Meike Diedeling** will each be showcasing parts of the **spectrum x spectator** project and Gemeinde Köln will be introducing the **KISD project *Straßenland***.

The **design parcours ehrenfeld** remains one of the PASSAGEN hotspots. The tour through this design quarter leads from the many design-related addresses on Körnerstrasse, such as **Utensil**, **Bunker with KölnDesign**, **k18**, **tatu et tata**, **shipsheip**, **Atelier Colonia**, **Strigeto**, **NL originals** and others, through side streets with **23** and **Herrenbude**, on to Heliosstrasse with **Art Jam** and to Leyendecker Strasse with **IMI winery** and **btf studio** to **Jack in the Box** on the site of Alter Güterbahnhof, and over to AZE with **Luctra** and **Frank Morzuch**, and to the **M hoch 3** manufactory.

Also located in Ehrenfeld, the **Designers' Fair** at Pattenhalle will be accommodating presentations by more than 20 international designers, including the **Dutch Design Cologne Revisited** format with five up-and-coming designers from the Netherlands, curated by Claudia Schaaf/Salon

Zwei and Sabine Voggenreiter and supported by the Kingdom of the Netherlands. **Dortmund.Kreativ** will be presenting young designers and studios and there will also be designers from Düsseldorf, Lüneburg, Rumania, Hamburg, Berlin, Bremen and Münster, including the **Akademie für Gestaltung der HWK Münster**.

Since 2019, **Cologne's Südstadt quarter** has gained more visibility compared to earlier years. The 2020 exhibitions include **Markanto Depot** with **Serge Mouille** and **House of Finn Juhl**, **Goldkant** with **FDB Mobler**, **Blickwerke**, **Kunstraum Grevy**, **LeoLeo** and **MOKKOX**, as well as **Markilux** and **Porcelanosa** at **Rheinauhafen** and the **Richard-Riemerschmidt-Berufskolleg für Gestaltung**.

Architecture-related themes, materials, bathrooms and kitchens will have a particularly strong presence, as always: **ultramarin** at **Altes Gaswerk** with **Antonieolupi**, **Dornbracht**, **Fantini**, **Laufen** and **Badesofa**, and **casaceramica** with **Toto**, **Hewi**, **Jung**, **Fincibec**, **Florim** and **Graff**, as well as **bulthaup**, **Diovo** and **Cucina**.

Once again, **Design Post** will be a destination directly opposite the trade fair exhibition centre. **Hotel Monte Christo** has created a new permanent design space, **Villa Zanders** will be showcasing a monographic exhibition on Cologne-based designer **Stephan Wewerka** and south of the Rodenkirchen bridge a new site for tiny houses, design, DIY and architecture will be created 'live' by the **Wiesenhaus: Build Your Own Little Home!**

The PASSAGEN design event was founded by Sabine Voggenreiter in 1990. In 2020, the event will take place for the 31st time.

Entrance to PASSAGEN is free.

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