





50 things to see at the London Design Festival

Centural London

32 'Beau Sauvage' at Liberty

Curator Libby Sellers shows homewares which pit the raw against the polished. Look out for Khashayar Naimanan's exquisite dinnerware, with ornate patterns hidden underneath, for Nymphenburg (above). September 19-October 19, Liberty, Great Marlborough Street, W1 (020 7734 1234; www.liberty.co.uk)

33 Designersblock

The young talent group show is synonymous with the edgy East End, but this year they've opted for a slicker central venue in Covent Garden. September 18-21, No 1 The Piazza, Covent Garden, WC2 (www.designersblock.org.uk)

34 Aram Store

Aram presents a doublewhammy. In the gallery: 'Under the Same Roof' - bright ideas

by design collective OKAY Studio. In the store: 20th-century design classics, including Eileen Gray's dreamy daybed (above). September 18-November 8, Aram Store, 110 Drury Lane, WC2 (www.aram.co.uk)

35 Poland Street Underground

Polish design and art is in the spotlight in this glamorously gloomy space. RCA-trained Tomek Rygalik has dreamt up an installation made of black ceiling lights and an arresting bar. September 19-20, Poland Street Underground, 51 Poland Street, W1 (www. polandstreetunderground.com)

36 'Forget Me Not' at Mint

In collaboration with Italian giants Alias and Moroso, directional design store Mint will explore the rise of indoor/outdoor living, with nature also a theme for a savvy selection of work by young

graduates. Expect new pieces by Kiki van Eijk, Maxim Velcovsky and Danish talent Cecilie Manz. September 18-30, 70 Wigmore Street, W1 (020 7224 4406; www.mintshop.co.uk)

37 'Tea's Up' at CAA

Raise your teacup - pinkie finger aloft – to elongated coffee pots and teacup shadows in silver at Contemporary Applied Arts's tableware show with a twist. September 5-October 17, CAA, 2 Percy Street, W1 (020 7436 2344; www.caa.org.uk)

38 'Touch & Reflect' at Viaduct

Unusually, you're encouraged to touch and feel the exhibits at design store Viaduct's show, where the tactile, luxurious qualities of wood and upholstery take centre stage. Expect new furniture from big brands including e15's high-backed 'Pardis' bed, Montis's shapely

'Lotus' lounge chair and xO's surreal 'L'Oreille Qui Voit' teardrop-shaped mirrors (radica mirrors are a hot trend!). September 10-24, 1-10 Summe Street, EC1 (020 7278 8456; www.viaduct.co.uk)

39 Hot shop **Liberty of London**

Stucco ceilings, faux-palm trees and scorched oak provide the opulent backdrop to glam fabric handbags, stationery and scarv at this new store. Liberty of London, 197 Sloane Street, SW1 (020 7573 9695; www. libertyoflondon.com)

40 Hotbar **Coburg Bar**

After a frenetic trot round the shows, where better to flop than new trad-meets-modern den the Coburg Bar (above)? The Connaught Hotel, Carlos Place, W1 (020 7499 7070; www.the-connaught.co.uk)