

In brief



NEW SPACE IN CAR PARK

SLHO & Associates has completed an extension to its award-winning multimedia creative studio project. The Hong Kong-based practice converted a disused car park into the studio, winning awards in 2008 and 2009 for its work.

The extension provides a multipurpose space that functions as a black-box performance theatre. Custom-designed wall-hung racks (pictured above) outside announce the new space.

www.slho.com.hk



RAINBOWS INDOORS

A new hospital in South Petherton, Somerset commissioned artist Binita Walia to create her 'Rainbow Garden' for its specialist unit.

The London-based architectural glass specialist used 500 antique glass discs and mirror flower artwork to create the piece, which reflects light and the patterns into the interior space (pictured above). At night the colours disappear, leaving a lace-like garden of flowers.

www.thespaceinbetween.co.uk

SHUTTERS GO UP

A design for the newly reopened Pétrus restaurant in Knightsbridge by Russell Sage specified shutters with a commercial feel. A unique design of extra wide panels mounted on sliding tracks was custom-made by The New England Shutter Company, which finished them in colours to complement Russell Sage's colour palette for the restaurant's interiors.

www.tnesc.co.uk;

www.russellsagestudio.co.uk

CHEQUERED FLAG FOR MORGAN FURNITURE

Company supplies new hotel built on historic Brooklands motor-racing circuit

Design-led British manufacturer of contract furniture Morgan Furniture has created a wide range of custom-made furniture for the newly built Brooklands Hotel in Weybridge.

Built on the Brooklands legendary motor-racing circuit, the 120-room hotel provides high design and luxury accommodation with a boutique ambience, and with more than a passing reference to the location's racing heritage.

Morgan Furniture supplied some 450 separate items of furniture for the hotel's lounge (pictured

below), reception, bar, bedrooms, suites and bar.

A 6m-wide Verona sofa makes a striking design statement in the lounge with a bank of mirrored cabinets behind.

The company has also supplied armchairs, footstools and conference seating for a new London hotel, The Arch.

Morgan Furniture designs and develops its products in a low-energy consuming factory, using materials from sustainable sources.

www.morganfurniture.co.uk



.PSLAB LIGHTS THE WAY IN BEIRUT

Custom lighting helps defines spaces

.PSLAB Beirut was asked to develop a lighting concept for the Al Dente restaurant in the Lebanese city, where the space is in three areas: the main central space of entrance and main eating area, a secondary dining space, and bar.

.PSLAB developed twig-like metallic fixtures to be mounted in clusters for where the entrance and main hall meet. For the secondary hall and bar, the practice developed an arrangement of superimposed brass discs (above) that carry the light source and fixed it to the ceiling with a metal rod. The depth of the spaces are defined through the continuity of the line of light and the linear layout of the fixtures, says .PSLAB.

www.pslab.net



LSM DESIGN TAKES HOTEL TO NEW PHASE

Wood main feature in riverside venue

DesignLSM is working on the second phase of providing the runnymede-on-thames hotel with a new look.

The main lobby and Leftbank was completed in the first phase, with wood featuring in different styles. A feature of the lobby is a long reception desk clad with timber with a glass-topped, rounded end showing cut log ends (pictured above). The restaurant is interspersed with slivered tree trunks.

The Hove-based practice is now working on the new Lock Restaurant, which will feature Tom Kirk chandeliers, tweed, leather and wooden herringbone floors.

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