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London Design Festival at Oxo Tower Wharf

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14-22 September 2019

FREE

Oxo Tower Wharf, Bargehouse Street, South Bank, London SE1 9PH

Nearest tube/train: Southwark, Waterloo, Blackfriars

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Take the Plunge with an immersive journey inspired by the sea at Bargehouse, explore the secrets of paper artisans from Tokyo at wagumi, and get the chance to buy some exclusive products during London Festival of Design.

For London Design Festival (LDF), Oxo Tower Wharf presents a bold and stimulating [programme of events](#), exhibitions, installations, product launches and discounts as part of the Bankside Design District.

At Bargehouse, Volume Creative, in collaboration with Virgin Voyages, invites you to [Take the Plunge](#) in a playful multi-sensory installation inspired by a love of the sea, designed to evoke curiosity. A minimalist exterior juxtaposes with the warmth within. Step into an endless horizon on the pathway of discovery, before plunging into an extraordinary second space that depicts a sunset under the sea. This exhibition carries a spirit of adventure and celebrates the endless possibilities of great design.

At gallery@oxo UCA Farnham presents [Connected – The Makers' Art](#) – an exhibition of selected works from MA graduates from University of the Creative Arts. This exhibition provides a dynamic environment for those transitioning from student to practitioner, showcasing their multi-disciplinary practices: textiles, ceramics, jewellery, metalwork and product design. There is a real focus on pushing boundaries within the field of craft and design through graduates' use of materials and processes throughout the exhibition.



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In the courtyard is [Assembling Reciprocity](#): an innovative outdoor installation by two students at the Bartlett School of Architecture UCL: Fabrizio Tozzoli and Alfredo Ferrer. The installation utilises a self-supporting reciprocal timber design, made using advanced digital and manufacturing tools.

STUDIO EVENTS – OXO TOWER WHARF

Alongside the programme of free exhibitions, the design shops at Oxo Tower present a series of workshops, talks and product launches. Oxo Tower Wharf is home to a community of over 20 independent designer-makers across the ground, first and second floors, specialising in interiors, lighting, gifts, homeware, jewellery and fashion. Discover something different around every corner.

- [wagumi: Brilliant Corners and Folds - Inkaren paper artisans of Tokyo Residency](#)
19 - 21 September, 11am – 6pm
wagumi, Unit 1.08, Oxo Tower Wharf
At Japanese design shop Wagumi, Inkaren paper artists of Tokyo present the folds, pierces, ring binding, letterpress and other techniques that create their work. Inkaren are also releasing a special 'visit Japan notebook' made in collaboration with wagumi exclusively available during LDF.
- [Innermost: Launch - BUD](#)
14 - 22 September, 11am – 6pm
Late Opening + Giveaway: Weds 18 September 6-8pm
Innermost, Units 2.03 & 2.04, Oxo Tower Wharf
Lighting designers Innermost open their studio for an evening event on Weds 18 September. The first 3 visitors through the door at 6pm will take away a free Bud portable light! All other visitors receive 50% off BUD throughout LDF by visiting the Innermost Showroom.
- [Studio Fusion: Material Movement Exhibition](#)
13 September – 20 October, 11am – 6pm
Studio Fusion, Unit 1.06, Oxo Tower Wharf
Private view: 13 September 5pm
A collaborative exhibition from four artists each working in a different discipline: ceramics, jewellery, painting and silversmithing. Artists Gareth Jones, Ria Lins, Tal Batit and Naama Haneman, who have also curated the exhibition, all share a common language through their creative process; each exploring the concept of movement and how this informs their own practice.
- [Noodoll: Collaboration with 24Bottles Launch](#)
14 - 22 September, 11am – 6pm
Noodoll, Unit 1.18, Oxo Tower Wharf
Press Launch: Fri 13 Sept + Late Opening: Weds 18 Sept from 6pm
Designers of super cute toys, Noodoll launch their new water bottle with a press evening on 13 Sept as well as offering 15% off throughout LDF in their shop.
- [From JeDeCo with Love](#)
14-22 September 2019, 11am – 6pm
JeDeCo, Unit 1.10, Oxo Tower Wharf
In anticipation of Bond 25, jewellery collective JeDeCo pay tribute to all things Bond. Each designer has created a piece inspired by the film and these are on display in the JeDeCo studio during LDF 2019

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- **Victoria Eggs: Special Discount**
Late Opening with discounts: Weds 18 Sept 4-8pm
Unit 1.21, Oxo Tower Wharf, 11am-6pm
Homeware and gifts studio Victoria Eggs is open for an evening of shopping on Wednesday 18 Sept from 4-8pm offering 30% off everything in store and 10% off trade orders placed during this time.
- **Mr Jones Watches**
Late Opening Weds 18 Sept
Unit 1.11, Oxo Tower Wharf, 11am-6pm
Cult watch brand Mr Jones Watches will be running competitions and challenges in and around their shop throughout London Design Festival.

PROGRAMME OF FREE EXHIBITIONS

Volume Creative - Take the Plunge

14-22 September, Bargehouse, 10am-8pm

Volume Creative present an interactive project through a stand-alone immersive experience, depicting the beauty of our oceans. Discover the sounds of waves that stimulate emotion surrounding the detrimental changes happening to our seas and the rapid deterioration of ocean life.

UCA Farnham: Connected – The Makers' Art

11-22 September, gallery@oxo, 11am – 6pm

University of the Creative Arts Farnham presents [Connected - The Makers' Art](#) – an exhibition of selected works from MA graduates work. Get to see the next generation of talented designer-makers working in textiles, ceramics, jewellery, metalwork and product design.

LATE NIGHT OPENING + TALK: WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

To celebrate the Bankside Design District's late night, Oxo Tower Wharf hosts an evening of studio openings and exhibition lates on **Wednesday 18 September**.

Join us for a drink and take advantage of special offers and giveaways from our designer makers including Innermost, Moxon London, Noodoll and Victoria Eggs, as well as an after-hours opportunity to experience Take the Plunge or meet the artists from Connected – The Makers' Art.

For the design-curious, join Volume Creative x Virgin Voyages for a lively conversation and Q&A focused on the design and build of the London Design Festival special project, Take the Plunge. Discover how the Volume team brought the idea to life from initial concept to the finished design.

Register for a free space at the talk here: <https://taketheplungeatoxo.eventbrite.co.uk>

No booking necessary for studio and exhibition late opening.

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More details and high-resolution images are available on request.



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Oxo Tower Wharf is home to some of the UK's most innovative and internationally renowned contemporary designers, restaurants, cafes, bars and exhibition venues gallery@oxo and Bargehouse.

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The London Design Festival was conceived by Sir John Sorrell and Ben Evans. Their concept was to create an annual event that would promote the city's creativity, drawing in the country's greatest thinkers, practitioners, retailers and educators to a deliver an unmissable celebration of design.

<https://londondesignfestival.com/>



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