

Media Pack 2023





#### darc is the only international magazine focused on decorative lighting in architecture and interior design.

The specification of decorative and design lighting in hospitality, leisure, commercial and residential environments by interior designers, architects and lighting designers is a growing phenomenon worth millions of pounds on an international scale. Advances in technology and design processes have lead to a boom in the amount of product designers getting involved in decorative lighting, which has lead to a surge in the amount of products on the market and projects being completed.

darc emerged in October 2012 and has continued to grow at a fast pace ever since. It focuses on the best quality projects and products and hears from those at the forefront of creative design.

Apart from the beautifully presented magazine, darc has a strong online presence through a dedicated website, regular newsletters, darc TV and social media. Alongside this, the team organises the annual [d]arc awards - celebrating the best in lighting and LiGHT 22 - a dedicated lighting specification event.



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### Print

darc's publishing ethos is "on paper, on purpose". We are proud of our high quality printed magazine and this is our focus.

The famous budgeting strategy "on paper, on purpose" is equally as applicable to publishing when it comes to high quality design magazines.

darc isn't a newspaper where snippets of news are easily Googled online. darc also isn't a low quality B2B publication that doesn't hold the interest of influential designers.

Published six times a year (including 3d, the decorative design directory), darc delivers insight into inspirational interior projects where the physical form of the fixtures actively add to the aesthetic of a space.

We deliver darc to the desks of thousands of interior designers, architects, lighting designers, specifiers and product designers all over the world. Because they are designers, they appreciate looking through the well-designed pages, the beautiful editorial photography, as well as reading the wellinformed articles.

They want to read darc and look forward to it being delivered. By associating your brand with darc you will be tapping into the intellectual and prestigious space that is occupied by a high quality design magazine and high quality designers.

As well as producing in-depth articles on lighting design across international hospitality, commercial and high-end residentail projects, other editorial opportunities available to clients in darc include designer profiles, product focuses and 'how-it'smade' materials features.



## Online

darc's online offering provides bespoke news and special features supported by regular e-newsletters direct to designers' inboxes.

#### darcmagazine.com

darc's website is not just an online replica of the magazine, instead it delivers news content of a more immediate nature. This is delivered in a visually appealing, easy-to-digest format with the addition of high quality pictures and video content.

#### Digital edition & app

darc is also available as a digital edition online (via our website) and as an app (from the App Store and Google Play). Benefits of this include: the immediate delivery to all readers wherever they are in the world; the ability to search the magazine for relevant information; bookmarking of important articles; and an online archive of previous issues. All adverts placed in the print edition of the magazine also appear in the digital editions.

#### Newsletter

darc's website is supported by a monthly email newsletter distributed to a database of 14,000+ readers. Each 'design line' carries announcements of the latest industry news, product launches, interviews and design events.

#### Social Media

darc's instagram following is consistently growing in numbers and engagement each month - attracting key designers with an interest in decorative lighting, interiors and design. Our instagram feed / stories reflects the high quality content of the magazine and provides a source of inspiration for designers, as well as direct links to products. The content is regularly maintained and is an important add-on to the magazine.



## Editorial Calendar 2023

\* features, copy schedule dates and show distribution subject to change

#### darc #48 (Jan/Feb)

Feature: Smart Lighting & Controls Show Distribution: Architect @ Work; Interior Design Show; Maison & Objet; Lightovation Deadlines | Edit: 05 Dec 2022 | Adverts: 4 Jan 2023

darc #49 (Mar/Apr)

Feature: Hospitality Lighting Show Distribution: Archiproducts Milan; Euroluce; Milan Design Week showroom events; IDS Toronto; [d]arc sessions Deadlines | Edit: 13 Mar 2023 | Adverts: 21 Mar 2023

darc #50 (May/Jun)

Feature: Retail Lighting Show Distribution: ICFF; Wanted Design; Clerkenwell Design Week; Cruise Ship Interiors America Deadlines | Edit: 10 April 2023 | Adverts: 26 April 2023

#### 3d 2023/24 (Jul/Aug)

Decorative Design Directory - annual publication Feature: darc designers - new talent Feature: the design review Show Distribution: All relevant design shows and exhibitions across 2023/24 Deadlines | Edit: 14 Jul 2023 | Adverts: 24 Jul 2023

#### darc #51 (Sep/Oct)

Feature: Light on Screen Show Distribution: Decorex; Light Middle East; INDEX Shows; Maison & Objet Deadlines | Edit: 18 Aug 2023 | Adverts: 28 Aug 2023

#### darc #52 (Nov/Dec)

Feature: Bathroom Lighting Show Distribution: LiGHT 22; Downtown Design; Hix; BDNY; Cruise Ship Interiors Europe Deadlines | Edit: 06 Oct 2023 | Adverts: 17 Oct 2023



## International Readership

darc's circulation has been meticulously researched to ensure advertisers are reaching the real decision makers in the specification process.

darc is sent to the real decision makers in the lighting specification and contract market. darc's 16,000 international circulation comprises a mixture of paid-for and controlled print circulation copies and digital editions delivered to our constantly maintained database of named individuals who have requested the magazine, many of whom we have personally met at design events around the world.

#### Readership

- Breakdown by global region
- Interior Designers
- Architects
- Lighting Designers
- Specifiers
- Product Designers
- Manufacturers
- Distributors
- Clients

#### • Europe 27%

- UK 26%
- North America 19%
- Asia / Australasia 15%
- Middle East 10%

#### • Rest of World 3%

#### Breakdown by job function

- Architects / Interior Designers 46%
- Lighting Designers 31%
- Manufacturers / Distributors 19%
- End Users 4%

## 3D - Decorative Design Directory



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The **decorative design directory (3d)** is the ultimate worldwide listings edition for the decorative lighting industry. Published every summer, it is distributed to our subscription base and is also available at every major design show where darc participates.

3d features a comprehensive directory of decorative lighting manufacturers, distributors and showrooms as well as information on international tradeshows; interviews and insight from leading figures in the design industry; along with the darc design review, which features the Editor's top picks of product launches from the previous tradeshow season.

Available as a printed publication and in digital format, 3d is a valuable tool for those involved in lighting specification.

We are continually collecting data so if you are interested in being involved, or need to update your listing please contact Stephen Quiligotti on: s.quiligotti@mondiale.co.uk

All data is treated confidentially.

## Stand out from the crowd and enhance your listing!

Manufacturers and distributors can increase their visibility in 3d by booking an Enhanced Entry. This includes a logo, a 50-word company description and contact details in bold.

An Enhanced Entry (such as the Gabriel Scott entry shown left) costs £300 or is free for advertisers in the issue.

### International Event Partners



darc magazine partners with leading trade shows, events and showrooms for interiors and lighting, benefitting from bonus distribution at:

ARCHIPRODUCTS MILAN	HONG KONG LIGHT FAIR	
ARCHITECT@WORK LONDON	ICFF	
BDNY	INDEX DUBAI   QATAR   SAUDI ARABIA	
BIENNALE INTERIEUR	LiGHT 22	
CLERKENWELL DESIGN WEEK	LIGHT + BUILDING	
CRUISE SHIP INTERIORS SHOW	LIGHT MIDDLE EAST	
[D]ARC SESSIONS	LIGHTOVATION	
DECOREX	LONDON DESIGN FAIR	
DESIGN LONDON	MAISON & OBJET	
DESIGN SHANGHAI	SLEEP + EAT	
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## Magazine Advertising



#### Advertising Rates

Double Page Spread	£5000
Full Page	£3000
Half Page	£2000

#### Special Advertising Options

In addition to regular advertising pages within darc, there are further options to increase your visibility within the magazine. All options listed can be discussed with our advertising staff who can explain the different options in more detail.

Front Cover Gatefold	£8000
Back Cover	£6000
Inside Front Cover	£4500
First Right Hand Page	£4000
Inside Back Cover	£3750
Digital Magazine DPS	£2000

If you would like prices for: Bellyband wrap around; Bellyband to a Found Page + DPS Ad; or an Insert Tipp on + Full Page Ad; please contact International Sales Manager Stephen Quiligotti on: **s.quiligotti@mondiale.co.uk** 

#### Mechanical Data

#### All Dimensions: Height before width



#### Production Data

#### If you are sending completed artwork:

- Send via email, FTP or online transfer services.
- Artwork needs to be set at a print resolution of 300dpi, (CMYK) saved as PDF, TIFF, JPEG or EPS.
- All elements included within any supplied PDF must adhere to the following specification:-CMYK – no spot colours or RGB; no embedded colour profiles or tailored colour settings.
- · All fonts within the artwork must be supplied.
- A colour proof of your ad must be supplied with artwork.
- We do not accept artwork made in COREL Draw, Microsoft Publisher, Word or PowerPoint.

#### If we are producing your artwork:

- Any text to be put into an email or saved as a .txt file
- Digital images supplied need to be set at a print resolution of 300 dpi, (CMYK) saved as TIFF, JPEG or EPS. Pictures from the web can not be used for print.
- · Colour references for logos to be sent as CMYK.
- An email of the artwork will be sent to you for approval.

#### Compatibility:

We are Mac based and can accept the following formats: PDF, AI, EPS, TIFF, JPEG, INDD. Software used: InDesign, Photoshop and Illustrator.

There are a number of advertising options available on darcmagazine.com. These can be supplied as jpeg, png, or gif; 970 x 250 pixels and should be less than 150KB.

Banners hold a maximum of three adverts on rotation. The adverts will receive equal exposure on the site. Prices are also available for sole use of the advertising space. Please refer to the website for a more detailed look at banner positioning.

Banner 1 - Rotation of 3 1-3 months £2500 4 - 6 months £2300 7- 9 months £2100 10 - 12 months £1900 Banner 2 - Rotation of 3 1-3 months £1800 4 - 6 months £1700 7- 9 months £1500 10 - 12 months £1300

Banner 3 - Rotation of 3 1-3 months £1500 4 - 6 months £1400 7- 9 months £1300 10 - 12 months £1200 Banner 4 - Rotation of 3 1-3 months £1300 4 - 6 months £1200 7- 9 months £1100 10 - 12 months £1000

#### **Advertorial Opportunities**

As part of darcmagazine.com's brand new look, we have introduced a number of enhanced online advertorial opportunities for clients to take advantage of.

Promote your latest product launch, case study or webinar and see it "pinned" to the homepage for a minimum of one month, as well as receiving further promotion on darc's monthly newsletter. To be featured, and for more information, speak with Stephen Quiligotti on: s.quiligotti@mondiale.co.uk

#### Choose From...

Case Study £1000 | darc TV £800 | Product Focus £500



#### **Newsletter / Digital Editions**

The darc newsletter is sent to our subscribers once a month and is combined with our digital edition six times a year upon publication of the printed versions.

The newsletter features the latest industry news, events and product launches.

A maximum of three banners are allowed per newsletter / digital edition email.

- 1. Banner 1 (600 x 100 pixels) £2250
- 2. Banner 2 (600 x 100 pixels) £1750
- 3. Banner 3 (600 x 100 pixels) £1250



#### **Direct Mail Eshots**

**darc** provides a direct email service for clients. You provide the html and we will send it directly to the email inboxes of our subscribers including all lighting design practices in the world. The cost for this service is *£3500*.



### Testimonials



#### Lindsey Adelman Studio

"I have been really happy with the recent editorial covering myself and my work - it captured a lot of the reasons why I do what I do. darc magazine truly reaches a global audience, which is great for us because we are often just featured in US-based publications."



#### John Williams, Director, spaceinvader

"'Lighting design is one of the greatest tools any designer has to create mood and aid functionality. No title informs our choices more in this domain than DARC, with its international designer profiles, alerts to new innovations and showcases of the best and most innovative projects around today. darc is a voice of authority we all respect."



#### Duncan Meerding

"I first met some of the darc magazine team at Euroluce 2017. Since then there whole team have been great to work with. AS a lighting designer/maker practise down in Tasmania, Australia, things can be a bit isolated sometimes and have a connection through such a quality magazine as DARC is invaluable to us. DARC has done a range of coverage on my work and done great stuff in keeping our work visible from Tasmania."



#### Lucie Koldova, Lucie Koldova Studio

"For me, darc magazine is a regular inspiration and showcase of quality across the lighting design scene. The wide range of project lighting featured in the magazine is invaluable, as are the set-ups and lighting applications from around the world. The existence of darc magazine shouldn't be taken for granted and it should be cherished with each new issue."



#### Jan Volšík, Global Sales & Marketing Director | Vice-Chairman of the Board, Preciosa

"Decorative lighting is so important to the overall design and atmosphere of a space. It's wonderful having a magazine like darc who understands and celebrates this. We've enjoyed working with the team and appreciate their dedication to lighting craft."



#### Rose Murray, Director, These White Walls

"darc magazine is always an illuminating read. The editorial team skillfully combines intriguing interviews with industry insights that offer fresh perspectives on the vital role of lighting within the design sphere. I very much enjoyed being interviewed for the feature on our studio, which tackled important topical subjects as well as relevant case studies. I am ever-eager for the next issue."



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# **EVENTS**

[d]arc awards

[d]arc sessions









## [d]arc awards

#### ... celebrating the best in lighting design

The **[d]arc awards** is a unique concept utilising **[d]arc media's** reputation as the leading media brand in lighting. In collaboration with creative consultants **Light Collective**, we have created an exciting opportunity for the lighting design community to show off their creativity while celebrating their peers' success.

The winners of the **[d]arc awards** are decided on by votes from independent lighting designers, interior designers and architects, all of which are then invited to attend the official awards party, **[d]arc night** for free (while suppliers have to pay £500 per ticket). This means the designers and specifiers are not bound by an invite from a manufacturer in order to attend. It also means there is room for all designers at the party – not just the senior designers or directors. Junior and intermediate staff, the future senior designers and principals, enjoy the night and involvement. In previous years, **[d]arc night** has attracted 600 attendees, with over 90% of those designers.

#### Sponsorship

[d]arc awards truly is an international celebration of lighting design excellence, providing an unrivalled platform to promote your company to a rich audience of existing clients. There are opportunities for both architectural and decorative companies to get involved in the event through bar sponsorships or collaborating with high profile lighting design practices to creatively display their products at [d]arc night, through a series of light installations. This isn't just a logo on-screen; this is interactive, face-to-face marketing that engages with an audience.

For more information on sponsoring the awards contact: **Stephen Quiligotti** s.guiligotti@mondiale.co.uk







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## [d]arc sessions

#### ... connecting suppliers with specifiers

A series of events connecting people involved in lighting specification projects around the world, **[d] arc sessions** is an intimate, exclusive event held twice a year in Spring and Autumn at stunning resort locations.

In an era when every business trip must be accounted for, the **[d]arc sessions** pledge is simple: Suppliers will only meet specifiers actively working on international projects. Designed with Covid and a 'new normal' in mind, the event comprises four key elements:

**Speed+Sync** meetings - suppliers will have a minimum of 15 x 20 minute meetings - pre arranged - with an exclusive, curated list of top international lighting designers, interior designers and architects.

**Symposia** speaker sessions - thought-provoking content through a series of presentations curated by **[d]arc media**, which can be joined in person at a social distance.

Sustenance breakouts - hardwired for today's fastchanging world and its challenges, the event creates space for guests to meet safely on an intimate scale in beautiful neutral surroundings. [d]arc sessions represents a safe and cost effective space to meet with an exclusive list of top specifiers from around the world.

**Social** celebrations – Meals can be enjoyed communally, in smaller groups or individually, while evening social sessions are relaxed and non-pressured for guests' wellbeing. "[d]arc sessions exceeded our expectations! It was very well organised, set in a beautiful location and with great attendance of high-profile lighting and interior designers. It was a relaxed event where we were able to get the full designers' attention. We will definitely come back for the second edition!"

Gorazd Malačič Managing Director, Tokio

"Well done to [d]arc media and Hix for putting together [d]arc sessions – a seriously well organised event connecting industry leaders in lighting design. Some great new partnerships established over a series of informal meetings, lunches and dinners. The beautiful location and sunshine was a bonus."

Darren Orrow, Director at into

For more information on attending contact: **Stephen Quiligotti** s.guiligotti@mondiale.co.uk







# LiGHT22

## ... the UK's only dedicated lighting exhibition

The UK has the second largest design industry in the world and is the largest in Europe.

London has seen design-led businesses more than double since 2010. Lighting is a vital aspect of the design industry and the design process.

Of the 217 lighting design practices in the UK, over half (116) are in the Greater London area (source ILDS 2021). This is by far the biggest concentration of lighting designers in one city in the world. And that's not to mention the thousands of interior designers and architects that are based in the UK's capital and beyond. Most of these designers not only specify in the UK but have a significant portfolio overseas, making London the capital of international specification.

Held 22-23 November 2022, **LiGHT 22** is a curated, boutique lighting exhibition for specifiers and designers. Held at the Business Design Centre in Islington, London, **LiGHT 22** will revive the lighting design and specification exhibition that has been lacking for too long.

For more information on exhibiting contact: John-Paul Etchells ip.etchells@mondiale.co.uk

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