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Welcome to the December edition of the RIBA London Bulletin. In preparation for the New Year and a full 2010 programme of activities, this edition details opportunities for members to get further involved via our new landmark competition, an exciting market entry scheme for MIPIM 2010, LFA2010 and information on free CPD and debates via partners and branches, plus a festive giveaway.

RIBA London and the regional team wishes all its members a very Happy Christmas and looks forward to a prosperous New Year!

Forthcoming competition: Forgotten Spaces

In 2010, RIBA London is teaming up with Design for London and developer and investor Qatari Diar to launch an ideas competition in the New Year that will give London's designers a chance to propose concepts for forgotten and overlooked spaces across the capital. The competition will result in a high profile public exhibition of the best entries at The National Theatre on London's Southbank (24 May – 3 July 2010). Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three schemes with a first prize at £5,000, second prize £2,000 and third prize £1,000.

[Forgotten Spaces: Outline and Competition Brief](#)



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Market entry opportunity

RIBA London with the [NLA](#) and [Pipers Projects](#) are pleased to announce an exclusive market entry opportunity for members to be part of a dedicated stand promoting emerging practices in the capital on the [London Pavilion at MIPIM 2010](#). If you are a practice with a headcount of 25 or less then you are eligible to be part of an initiative that also offers **two places** at the four day event in Cannes for £1700 plus VAT (Normal fee per person is £1,400). Submissions for inclusion in this RIBA London initiative should be directed to [Mike Althorpe](#). The deadline for inclusion and the combined ticket offer is 15 January 2010.

[RIBA London MIPIM 2010 initiative](#)

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LFA2010: Workshop

As part of the LFA2010 programme, RIBA London is running a workshop at RIBA HQ, 66 Portland Place on 1 February 2010, 6- 8pm. Hosted by the regional team and with Peter Murray, LFA Founding Director the event will give you an opportunity to hear an overview of the [Open Studios](#) and [Love your Street](#) initiatives and help you find out more about getting involved with key pointers on how to host an event.

[Sign up to the LFA2010 workshop](#) RSVP essential

If you would like to get involved in any way- host a talk, run a debate, host a workshop at a local school or run a tour- the team welcomes submissions of interest from across the region. [Register to be a part of LFA2010](#).

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Surface Design Show 2010

RIBA London, Building Futures and Montgomery events are joining forces and producing a number of events and seminars for 2010's [Surface Design Show](#) in February. The SDS is the only UK event to focus exclusively on interior and exterior surface solutions in building design and co-production highlights include:



FREE Preview Evening Debate

This house believes the road to recovery is paved with . . .

Tuesday 16 February 2010, 18.30-19.45 Islington Business Design Centre, London
Market reform? Green revolution? Small Government? Society?'

Building Futures kicks off election year at with an open discussion looking at future options. What can we do to capture the imagination and critical minds to ensure recovery in the UK does not revert to bad habits in good times? With former Mayor of London, **Ken Livingstone**; **Cecile Brisac** of Brisac Gonzalez architects, Executive Vice Chair of The Work Foundation, **Will Hutton**; Chairman of Ramboll UK, **Mark Whitby** and Chair of Engineering at Imperial College, **Prof David Fisk**.

[Book for Building Futures Debate](#)

**FREE Lunchtime CPD Portraits**

RIBA London brings together some of the best schemes from its 2009 Award year in two one hour lunchtime seminars that focus on key sectors and key schemes. Find out more about the drivers behind the projects, the surface design considerations and where material innovation is effecting change in the sector:

Healthcare CPD Portrait

Wednesday 17 February, 13.00- 14.00 Islington Business Design Centre, London
UCL Cancer Institute, with Neven Sidor at Grimshaw Architects and Prof. Mark Enright at Imperial College

Housing CPD Portrait

Thursday 18 February, 13.00 14.00 Islington Business Design Centre, London
The Tarling Estate- with S333 Architects and Guy Thompson at the Concrete Centre.

[Book for CPD Portrait events](#)

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Build Up

Aimed at unemployed or under-employed built environment professionals, the University of Westminster's innovative Build Up programme has been designed to help those eligible to identify and develop skills in key shortage areas, allowing them to re-align their careers against the recession and take better advantage of the predicted economic upturn. It offers a range of free courses over three strands which promote and develop inter-professional working and new ways of looking at urban issues. Places in the Build Up programme are filling fast. Built environment professionals interested in applying are asked to visit www.build-up.org.uk for more details.



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Branches**CAF (Camden Architects Forum): Participate to change and influence Meeting Notes, Student Competition and Education Officer Appointment**

Notes arising from the 01 December meeting are now available including comment from Harald Brekke a Norwegian Architect, previously partner in Stein Halvorsen AS. The notes cover the new chair, activities to promote new membership and active participation from younger groups. Details of a new Camden Shop Front competition for students are also available. CAF welcomes Marta Strand as Education officer for closer liaison with RIBA London HQ and future projects. Next meeting will take place in Early February 2010. CAF wishes the profession a happier and prosperous New year!

For more information contact: Mojgan Jahanshahi-Green at mojgan.green@mistral.co.uk or on 07970 835135.



Harald Brekke: Courtesy of CAF

NETAS (North East Thames Architects Society):**Louis Khan- the servant and the served. A lecture by Professor Mark Mulligan, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University**

Friday 8th January 2010, 19.00- The Irish Club, 2 - 4 Tudor Street, London EC4Y 0AA
Louis Kahn (1901 - 1974) was one of the most celebrated architects of the 20th century whose work infused the International style with a fastidious, highly personal taste and poetry of light. Tickets are £8 per ticket. Closing date 30 December 2009.

To book a place contact damian@connolly-architects.co.uk

Working Internationally & the RIBA International Knowledge Community

Thursday 27th January 2010 12.45 - 14.00- 5 Turville Street Shoreditch London E2 7HX
Ian Pritchard, RIBA Director of Policy and International Relations presents practical advice on opportunities for architects working internationally, together with a discussion of the newly launched RIBA International Knowledge Community. Places are limited to this free event and booking essential. Email Chris Roche: info@1104architects.co.uk

CLAWSA (City of London and Westminster Society of Architects):**Building Information Modeling CPD: Enabling the Future**

Thursday 28th January 18.00- 19.30

Richard Saxon, former RIBA Council member, former Chair of the Practice Committee and former Chair of BDP opens the 2010 series of CPD talks. Information modeling will be the normal way to design buildings in a decade as it already is in car, ship and aircraft design. It represents a quantum leap in capability and is a great opportunity for architects to improve design quality and service.

To book or for more information contact: mark.langdon@btinternet.com

WLAS (West London Architectural Society):**Annual Christmas Party!**

Saturday 9th January 2010, 19.30- The Rockwell Hotel, 181 Cromwell Road, London SW5 0SF (designed by Michael Squires).

Tickets are £30.00 per head for a 3 course meal and wine.

Please contact Tom Ryland – tomryland@cparchitects.com 07778 547447.

Do come along and make your New Year resolution to support WLAS Events!

For more information contact: Liz Barroll at elizabeth@barrollwebber.co.uk.

SLSA (South London Society of Architects):**AGM 2010 with Special Guest Speaker presentation by Carl Turner Architects**

Tuesday 9th February 2010- Keyworth Centre, London South Bank University, London

To find out and comment on what's in store for 2010 please come along. Notice of those who wish to stand for office should be sent to southlondonsa@aol.com FAO The Secretary c/o as soon as possible. Those who wish to join the organising committee may contact the SLSA Secretary at any time. We invite any RIBA member registered in the boroughs of Lambeth, Southwark or Wandsworth to get involved with branch activities. The offices of Chair, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer stand for election at the AGM. We are also always looking for new committee members. Committee meetings take place at least three times a year. For more information contact slsatalks@aol.com or follow [SLSA Twitter](#)

NWLSA (North West London Society of Architects):**Meetings in 2010**

To all NWLSA members: The committee will be meeting in the New Year to discuss and organize future events and actions for the branch. Please write to Paola Boffo, Chair of NWLSA if you want to submit any proposal you might have or want to join the committee and help to organize the life of the branch. We wish to all the members a Happy Christmas. For more information contact Paola at paola@ewa.co.uk

Richmond, Kingston and Merton District Branch (RKM):

To book or for more information contact: Tzena James at tzena.james@virgin.net

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Book of the month

With Christmas just around the corner, we have a double giveaway to help you start 2010 in an orderly and ship shape fashion courtesy of our colleagues at [RIBA Publishing](#). As well as a copy of [David Littlefield's Good Office Design](#) we also have a sleek A4 [Architects and Designers Diary 2010](#) complete with photographs by Erwin Hauer.

WIN THE BOOKS!

You can win both book and diary simply by answering this festive question:
On the ninth day of Christmas, what did my true love send?

Email mike.althorpe@inst.riba.org with the correct answer. A winner will be selected at random in the New Year.

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