

DESIGN ADAC RETURNS THIS APRIL 24-26 WITH A MUST-SEE LINE UP AND MORE THAN 25 EVENTS

Nathan Turner, Hamish Bowles, Richard Keith Langham, Victoria Hagan and More Join as Headliners

ATLANTA – Atlanta Decorative Arts Center (ADAC) and *VERANDA*'s annual, three-day market, DESIGN ADAC, returns April 24-26 with a captivating roster attracting thousands of regional and national design professionals and enthusiasts. New this year, the free-to-attend celebration brings artful culinary into the interior design mix, international fashion, and more. Design lovers can look forward to meeting world-renowned talent and today's cultural icons, such as the inimitable **Mr. Hamish Bowles**, international Editor at Large of *Vogue*, and the reigning queen of restrained elegance, designer **Victoria Hagan**.

"At this year's DESIGN ADAC, we are celebrating innovative minds that are revolutionizing how the world of interior design is being expressed," said Katie Miner, General Manager at ADAC. "Our goal was to create a series of events that would encourage everyone to find new ways to apply their own skills and interests into something uniquely their own. It is an exciting theme for us to explore; for example, you can hear from an international fashion editor whose magazine inspired a fabric collaboration, or sit down with a designer whose new cookbook is receiving rave reviews, or listen as a panel of designers with Southern roots discuss they use their own regional influences to transform interiors from coast-to-coast. This really is an exciting time in design and at DESIGN ADAC!"

Featured events in the presentation room include:

- **"COOKING UP A LIFESTYLE"** with **Nathan Turner & Julia Reed | Tuesday, April 24th at 10:00 AM**
Understanding that all of the arts are interrelated, the creative mind rarely sees the world through one lens. Such is the case with highly-acclaimed designer, Nathan Turner, who recently authored the new cookbook, "Nathan Turner's I Love California: Live, Eat and Entertain the West Coast Way." During this discussion with his dear friend and entertainer extraordinaire, Julia Reed, Nathan shares how he weaves together elements of the design and culinary arts to craft sumptuous experiences for family and friends. Creative minds will be inspired to expand beyond their chosen craft and see a world of delicious new possibilities.
- **"MEET THE INIMITABLE MR. BOWLES"** with **Hamish Bowles & Dara Caponigro | Tuesday, April 24th at 1:00 PM**
As International Editor at Large of *Vogue*, Hamish Bowles traverses the globe seeking out the defining edge of style. Steeped in the history of fashion and the decorative arts, he brings an extraordinary eye and refined discernment to everything he does. In a conversation with Schumacher's Creative Director, Dara Caponigro, Hamish shares his formative influences, his key experiences at *Vogue* and his greatest discoveries in the world of design.
- **"TAKE OUT: BRING RESTAURANT DESIGN HOME"** with **Steven A. Rugo, Patrick Sutton, Elizabeth Ingram & moderator Alton Brown | Tuesday, April 24th at 4:30 PM**
Around the world, the idea of dining out has evolved from the simple enjoyment of food into an artful experience created to delight the senses. As culinary and interior design tastes have become richer and more complex so to have the opportunities to weave these worlds together. Architect Steven A. Rugo of Rugo/Raff Architects in Chicago, renowned designer Patrick Sutton of Baltimore, and ADAC's 2017 Southeast Contract Designer of the Year, Elizabeth Ingram, sit down with the incomparable Alton Brown, for a delicious discussion about bringing the best of restaurant design home.
- **"ABOUT DECORATING"** with **Richard Keith Langham | Wednesday, April 25th at 10 AM**
Richard Keith Langham's all-American interiors unite a traditional approach with dashes of whimsy, beautiful tailoring, and an exuberant color palette. In this book, his first, Richard charms and inspires with a selection of city and country projects and conjures his own brand of design magic by approaching his clients' rooms with the rigors of classicism, along with an innate Southern flair for pared-down elegance. Come and hear about this inspiring book and his remarkable decorating career spanning more than thirty years.
- **"SOUTHERN ROOTS"** with **Lindsey Coral Harper, Katie Leede, Ruthie Sommers & moderator Carolyn Englefield | Wednesday, April 25th at 1 PM**
Please meet three celebrated New York- and Los Angeles-based tastemakers for a spirited panel discussion on how their Southern roots continue to influence their interior design work today. Join designers Lindsey Coral Harper, Katie Leede, and Ruthie Sommers—who have ties to Georgia, Texas, and North Carolina, respectively—as they chat with *VERANDA* Interiors Editor Carolyn Englefield about their own Southern recollections, as well as their current inspirations and projects—out West, in New England, across the country, and beyond.
- **"DREAM SPACES"** with **Victoria Hagan & Clinton Smith | Thursday, April 26th at 10 AM**
As one of the country's leading designers, Victoria Hagan has been called "the reigning queen of restrained elegance." For two decades her luxurious interiors have helped define classic American Style. Join Victoria and Clinton Smith as they discuss her design philosophy and lessons honed during her storied career. Spotting various projects, including some from her most recent book, "Victoria Hagan: Dream Spaces," Victoria discusses the value of the unexpected detail and the importance she places on concepts such as Family, Trust, Tradition and Creativity.
- **"MASTERS OF DESIGN"** with **Brian McCarthy & Suzanne Rheinstein | Thursday, April 26th at 1 PM**

Please join two masters of interior design as they discuss a range of topics that touch all working designers today—from the current state of style and getting inspired, to the demands of running a thriving business and a successful practice. In this very special tête-à-tête, New York-based designer Brian McCarthy and Los Angeles-based designer Suzanne Rheinstein share their words of wisdom from their decades-long experience in this ever-changing industry.

This celebration of illustrious tastemakers, design authorities, and revolutionary new products shows the powerful connection between innovation and the art of expression. Programming throughout the event also brings designers **Susan Ferrier** and **Jonathan Savage** together on Tuesday, April 24th at 3:00 p.m. to dish with Robert Leleux about the reality of designing for a showhouse. On Wednesday, April 25th at 3:00 p.m., discover the wonders of chintz, passementerie, shimmering lacquer rooms, and more by joining the *VERANDA* team, their Senior Editor **Mario-López Cordero**, and Jerry Pair for a book signing of Mario's new book, "Decorating," an A-to-Z primer that delivers thoughtful tools for building beautiful rooms. In addition to engaging presentations, showroom grand openings, book signings, product introductions, and parties, meet the finalists and winners of the annual Southeast Designers and Architect of the Year Awards. See the full event guide [here](#).

Interviews will be available prior to and during the event. If interested in speaking with a guest speaker or the General Manager, please email 360 Media, Inc. at info@360media.net or call 404-577-8686. For more information on ADAC and this free event, visit the center's [website](#) and follow along on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) using the hashtag #DESIGNADAC. **Registration opens Friday, March 9.**

ABOUT ADAC: ADAC is a community-focused, nationally-recognized leader in the world of interior design and home fashion, built over 50 years ago by renowned architect and developer John Portman. For a half-century it has served as the essential one-stop shopping resource for interior designers, architects, and builders. The ADAC campus consists of 550,000 square feet with over 60 showrooms offering 1,200 of the industry's finest product lines including furniture, fabric, rugs, lighting, accessories, floor and wall coverings, antiques, fine art and framing, kitchens, bath, tile and stone, and home theater products. Likewise, ADAC's extensive services include custom designs such as framing, electronic systems, faux-finishing, and draperies. In addition, signature industry presentations, celebrity and media events, educational programs and networking opportunities held throughout the year make ADAC truly a one-of-a-kind, design destination. To learn more, visit www.adacatlanta.com. For upcoming events, visit www.adacatlanta.com/events.

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