

Exciting new additions to Handmade Chelsea this year include on stage exhibitor demonstrations and a dedicated Christmas area, in addition to collections showcased in a range of disciplines by over 100 exhibitors at Chelsea Old Town Hall.

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[Jaejun Lee Ceramics](#), [Charlotte Reid Jewellery](#). Photo credit: [Yeshen Venema](#)

Handmade Chelsea - The Contemporary Craft and Design Fair
Friday 8 - Sunday 10 November 2019
Chelsea Old Town Hall, London

Press pack available [here](#)

Tickets available from See Tickets [here](#)

[Handmade in Britain](#) announces the 13th edition of [Handmade Chelsea](#) with a celebration of contemporary craft and design at iconic London venue Chelsea Old Town Hall and style retail destination, King's Road London.

Handmade Chelsea offers the opportunity to discover, commission and buy exceptional handmade work from selected designer-makers. The three-day retail fair from the Handmade in Britain team brings together an impressive roster of over 100 makers in a range of disciplines. This year exhibitors showcase work in a range of disciplines from fashion and textiles, jewellery, sculpture, ceramics, mixed media, art, furniture and glass. For the 13th edition, exhibitors will be providing demonstrations on stage and a dedicated Christmas area featuring seasonal gifts and artisan food.

Work by Handmade in Britain exhibitors is featured in UK and international collections and Handmade Chelsea is a flagship event for new and established master craftspeople to showcase their work.

Handmade Chelsea 2019 exhibitors include:

Bob Crooks. Renowned for the high quality, skillfully executed dynamic forms and surfaces, Bob's work has been exhibited at International level and in noted exhibitions in Italy, China, Scandinavia, Australia and the USA, alongside many exhibitions at home in the UK.

Steven Harkin. Master craftsman Steven Harkin has been creating outstanding leather bags for nearly 40 years. Working in British leather, Steven's unique style and approach to design and construction makes his work stand apart. Clean lines, bold colours, contemporary designs.

Charlotte Reid. International jeweller Charlotte Reid's work is influenced by architecture and fashion. It is formed through playing with materials and techniques, experimenting with combinations of texture, stones and colour. Charlotte's jewellery ranges from elegant everyday wear, to more fun and frivolous pieces of stand alone sculpture.

Sansho Living. Sansho travel to Japan to find traditional Japanese craftsmen to develop beautifully made and practical Japanese homewares. Inspired by Fukanzan no bi, or the "beauty of imperfection", all the pieces show the traces of the craftsman's hand and the dialogue between the craftsman and nature. Sansho will be showing a unique selection of homeware at Handmade Chelsea.

Jaejun Lee. A Korean ceramicist based in the UK after receiving a visa for 'exceptional talent'. Jaejun specializes in porcelain making both artistic vessels and functional wares. His aim is to communicate a message of functionality and beauty through his work.

BJORNE of Norway is a new accessories brand of printed scarves, bags and pocket squares. Coming from a strong design background from Central St Martins, by creator Hilde Didi Bjornerud, designs are inspired by the dark side of Nordic nature, folklore, Vikings and fairytales, in a fusion of photography, painting and digital art.

All makers will be at the show to discuss their work and their making process. All work is for sale and to commission. Please contact sarah@handmadeinbritain.co.uk to arrange interviews during the show.



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New for 2019

This year Handmade Chelsea incorporates a new Christmas area. This will include luxury artisan food for Christmas gifts as well as pieces with a seasonal theme.

On stage there will be a dedicated area where makers will demonstrate the art of making in and some exhibitors will be demonstrating at their stand throughout the fair.

Creative Director Piyush Suri, seen most recently alongside Kirstie Allsop judging famous faces who were set the challenge to learn a new crafting skill on Channel 4's popular daytime series, *Kirstie's Celebrity Craft Masters*, says:

"This year's 13th edition is a hugely thrilling event, embodying the exceptional entrepreneurial spirit of London, where international designers meet home-grown talent to showcase the most exciting makers in contemporary craft and design. With exhibitors in furniture, fashion, textiles, glass, sculpture and jewellery, this is a fresh approach to contemporary craft and design and a great place to check off your Christmas gift list. Introducing new elements to the fair in the demonstrations area and a dedicated seasonal space brings a new energy to our much-loved Chelsea fair."

PRESS INFO & IMAGES are available [here](#)

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Notes to the editors:

Handmade in Britain is open: Friday 8 November - Sunday 10 November 2019

Friday/Saturday 11am - 6pm

Sunday 11am - 5pm

Handmade in Britain VIP & press event: Thursday 7 November 2019, 6 – 9 pm

Venue: Chelsea Old Town Hall, Kings Road, Chelsea, London SW3 5EE

Contact sarah@handmadeinbritain.co.uk for press invitation.

Visitor Tickets:

Adult day ticket, very early bird to 30 September 2019, £6 / £7 concession

Adult day ticket, advanced from 1 October 2019, £8 / £7 concession

Standard pricing from 1 November 2019 £10

Tickets are available in both in advance and on the door during the event.

A full list of Handmade in Britain exhibitors can be found at handmadeinbritain.co.uk/chelsea - Follow the buzz on social media: @handmadebritain #handmadechelsea

Handmade in Britain organises **Handmade Oxford** (27 – 30 June 2019), **Handmade at Kew** and **Handmade Edinburgh**. - Handmade in Britain provides mentoring and workshops opportunities for designer-makers. Click [here](#) for details

Handmade in Britain recently launched a new online marketplace for designer-makers, [Handmade ONLINE](#).

Handmade in Britain was established over a decade ago by engineer-turned-designer Piyush Suri, advocate of everything handmade. After working for a few years in the industry, he single-handedly built his initiative to support and promote British designer-makers. Throughout its existence Handmade in Britain has provided a platform to support and promote design and craft talent through fairs, events and pop-ups. Workshops and business mentoring are also key to Handmade in Britain's mission to support the designer-maker communities. As a company we work hard to increase accessibility, create new market opportunities and maintain high standards in the contemporary craft sector, whilst providing a comprehensive support programme for new graduates and up-and-coming design talent.

We continue to grow and expand, increasing opportunities for our members and raising our profile within the sector and beyond.

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