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Midtown meets downtown NY

The Peninsula New York debuted its exciting new restaurant, Clement, in the Autumn of 2013. Designed by leading international firm Yabu Pushelberg, Clement will seamlessly blend its tony midtown surroundings with the liveliness and eclectic feel of the downtown art world. Occupying the space of the hotel's former restaurant, Fives, Clement is located on the mezzanine level of The Peninsula New York's lobby. Yabu Pushelberg, who have been creating timeless and artistic interiors for the hospitality, restaurant and retail industries worldwide for 30 years, aimed to make Clement feel like a

quintessential New York home, with different rooms that cater to a range of moods, desires and occasions. The carefully planned spaces of the restaurant scale gracefully from an intimate lounge to larger dining areas providing a perfect setting for power breakfasts and lunches as well as lively dinners, with private and semi-private dining areas for quieter gatherings. Clement's overall design scheme is glossed in an array of warm, soft finishes juxtaposed with moments of deep colour, bespoke art and texture, all intentionally orchestrated to create a visual cohesiveness and meaningful design. Wood paneling with brushed metals and mirrors craft a strong glamorous statement, while linen fabrics and rich leathers soften the space and evoke a relaxed, residential atmosphere.

East Village excellence

Young, funky, vibrant and exciting, this iconic development housed the world's top athletes at the 2012 Olympic Games. Suna Interior Design wanted the new interior design to echo the phenomenal success of the Games. Situated on Celebration Avenue, the main through road in the East Village, the brief was to create designs with a 'talkability' factor aimed at a youthful market who have a keen interest in design. It was to be contemporary and fresh and take advantage of the marvellous vistas of the London skyline.



News brief...

A stellar line-up

The Surface Design Show presents an exhilarating line up of industry innovators for its 3rd edition of PechaKucha. Surface Design Show's PechaKucha Evening is a free event for architects, interior designers and lighting designers. Chair Cany Ash, Founding Partner of Ash Sakula, has brought together a creative mix of speakers including: Adam Furman, Designer, Ron Arad; Dan Hopwood, Architect, BILD; Mark Ridler, Designer, BDP Lighting; Robert Sakula, Co-founder of Ash Sakula Don Gray, Kent School of Architecture; Ruth Morrow, Architect and co-founder, Tactility Factory; Jonathan Hogg, Creative technologist; Marc Thomas, Engineer, Millimetre and Laurent Louyer, Light artist, Creatmosphere

Cany Ash of Ash Sakula said "PechaKucha presentations are crafted, mini performances rather than rambling talks. The atmosphere, is alive with the energy of the inspirational speakers who have honed their thoughts down to essentials in this powerful format of 20 slides advancing at 40 second intervals." The evening will take place at The Business Design Centre in Islington, London on Wednesday 5 February 2014.

Czech trustee joins Design Museum

Design Museum has announced that Zdenek Bakala, Czech-born businessman, investor and philanthropist, has joined its Board of Trustees.

Zdenek Bakala is active in industries from mining to energy and media. He is the owner of Czech publishing house Economia and has seen a wide group of businesses flourish across several continents.

He co-founded EXR, a diversified investment group with a global portfolio of assets. With a lifelong passion for design, and interests in cultural and intellectual development and human rights, the Zdenek Bakala Foundation in 2007, which provides scholarships at prestigious

universities around the world to talented Czech students. He also supports the Václav Havel Library, a centre for the documentation and research of modern Czech history, with an emphasis on promoting the ideas and works of former Czech president Václav Havel.

He is a partner of DOX, the Centre for Contemporary Art, Architecture and Design, Prague, and he initiated the opening of the CEE affiliate of the Aspen Institute, an educational and policy studies non-profit organisation.