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Press release

**A glimpse of the future:**

**The Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung in Berlin presents selected highlights from the 2016 programme**

**Special exhibitions are showing designs for the museum extension and current trends in textile design // Open 'bauhaus\_lab' starting // New 'bauhaus\_excursions'**

Berlin, 18 December 2015. The 2016 programme at the Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung focuses on up-to-date and pioneering developments. Up to 29 February 2016, the exhibition 'MOVING FORWARD' is showing the winning design and other prizewinners and entries that received special mentions in the architecture competition for the extension of the Bauhaus-Archiv. Starting from 16 March 2016, 'Textile Design Today – From Experiment to Series' will be looking at trends in textiles in the educational and industrial fields. Starting in February 2016, 'bauhaus\_lab' will be adding an outreach programme to the Bauhaus-Archiv, with practical events open to all ages on topics involving architecture and design. 'bauhaus\_excursions' will also be adding new excursion trips on topics in contemporary design.

### **Exhibitions**

The 'MOVING FORWARD' exhibition continues up to 29 February 2016, with the Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung focusing on its own architectural future: the winning design by Staab Architects, Berlin, that was recommended for implementation. The eight other prizewinners and entries that received special mentions in the architecture competition held by the state of Berlin are also being shown. This is followed from 16 March to 5 September by 'Textile Design Today – From Experiment to Series'. The exhibition, which is being held in collaboration with the Department of Design at Burg Giebichenstein College of Art in Halle, provides an overview of textile design and its many uses in the fields of fashion, interior decoration and vehicle interiors. The range includes interactive curtains and materials made of beeswax and pine-needles, as well as garments manufactured using 3D processes. Alongside the special exhibitions, 'The Bauhaus Collection' is also showing key works from the world's largest collection of Bauhaus materials all year round.

### **Exhibition dates:**

All year: The Bauhaus Collection

2 December 2015–29 February 2016: Moving Forward: Winning Designs and Prizewinners for the New Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung

16 March–5 September 2016: Textile Design Today – From Experiment to Series

### **New and expanded event formats**

Starting in 2016, a new format is being offered in the area of cultural education, in the form of 'bauhaus\_lab'. Children, young people and adults will be able to engage with architecture and design in practical ways regularly at this open, 'drop-in' event, held every Saturday from 6 Febru-

ary to 25 June between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Everyday objects that were developed at the Bauhaus will provide starting-points for observation and practical experimentation. Constructions and drawings will be made on various topics and using various materials. The project is being sponsored by the Working Group of Independent Cultural Institutes (AsKI e.V.) and is being organized in collaboration with 'Jugend im Museum e.V.'.

The **'bauhaus\_excursions'** programme is adding new tours on contemporary design in 2016. In addition to the excursions to modernist sites in Berlin and the surrounding area, there will be a design tour to Berlin-Wedding and a one-day excursion to the College of Design in Burg Giebichenstein in Halle.

## **Dates:**

Open bauhaus\_lab: 6 February – 25 June, every Saturday, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

bauhaus\_excursions: 'Fresh Ideas and Castle Tradition: a Day Excursion to Halle', Saturday 25 June, 10 a.m.–10 p.m.

bauhaus\_excursions: 'Original Berlin meets multicultural – a design tour of Wedding', Saturday 16 April, Wednesday 15 June, 2 p.m.–4 p.m.

## **The Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung**

The Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung in Berlin conducts research on and presents the history and influence of the Bauhaus (1919–1933), the twentieth century's most important school of architecture, design and art. Housed in the building designed by Walter Gropius in the centre of Berlin, the world's most extensive collection of materials on the college's history and every aspect of its work is open to all who are interested. In addition to historical topics associated with the Bauhaus, the Bauhaus-Archiv is also increasingly addressing issues in contemporary architecture and current developments in the field of design. On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the Bauhaus's founding in 2019, the Bauhaus-Archiv / Museum für Gestaltung in Berlin will be expanding.

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