

31. July 2009

## **Designers' Collection by Thermopal nominated for Design Award of the Federal Republic of Germany**

The avantgarde „Designers' Collection“ by Thermopal was nominated by the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology for the Design Award of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The decors "by creatives for creatives" from Graft can be viewed here:

designer's collection

<http://thermopal-designerscollection.com/>

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24. July 2009

## **INDEX Award 2009 - finalists announced**

The Pink Project is among the finalists for the INDEX:Award 2009. The international INDEX: jury selected the best of the best from a record-setting number of nominations -- more than 700 -- from 54 countries.

Among the finalist-designs to be presented in the touring INDEX:Exhibition 2009 are the winners of the INDEX:Award 2009, which will be announced August 28 2009. The finalists, taken as a group, offer unique proof of the wide reach of Design to Improve Life, in terms of geography, challenges addressed, users and innovation.

The Lower Ninth Ward in New Orleans was left devastated and homeless in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. The Pink Project, as the inaugural event for the Make It Right initiative, refocused attention onto the plight of the area.

Brad Pitt, initiator and designer of the Pink Project, invited GRAFT to help develop the project together. A hybrid of art, architecture, cinema, media, and fundraising strategies, Pink was conceived as an informational commemorative communication tool both to raise awareness and activate individual participation to heal local wounds in need of global aid.

INDEX 09 Finalists

[http://www.indexaward.dk/index.php?option=com\\_content\\_custom&view=category&id=10:finalists-2009&Itemid=20&layout=default](http://www.indexaward.dk/index.php?option=com_content_custom&view=category&id=10:finalists-2009&Itemid=20&layout=default)

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21. July 2009

## Updating Germany - Venezia goes Elbe!

The Exhibition "Updating Germany. Projects for a better Future" is opening in the Kunstverein Harburger Bahnhof. Brad Pitt and Graft's Pink Project is part of the exhibition.

"Updating Germany" was the german contribution to the 11. International Architecture Biennial in Venice this year and is now travelling to Hamburg as part of the Architecture Summer Hamburg.

21.07. - 19:30 Uhr  
Kunstverein Harburger Bahnhof  
Hannoversche Strasse 85  
21079 Hamburg-Harburg

Kunstverein Harburger Bahnhof

<http://www.kvhbf.de/>

IBA Hamburg

[http://www.iba-hamburg.de/de/04\\_info/3\\_kalender/kalender.php?we\\_objectID=2582&curr\\_date=20090721&year=2009#\\_20090721](http://www.iba-hamburg.de/de/04_info/3_kalender/kalender.php?we_objectID=2582&curr_date=20090721&year=2009#_20090721)

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15. July 2009

## Los Angeles vs. Berlin

**Panel discussion in Aedes, Berlin**

Wednesday, 15. Juli 2009, 19:00 o'clock - Wolfram Putz of Graft is one of five speakers taking part in the Aedes Network Campus Berlin, debating the question: „Los Angeles vs. Berlin: How should cities deal with their architectural past“?

Peter Tokofsky is moderating the event, also participating are Niklas Maak (FAZ), Roger Sherman, Greg Hise (from L.A) and Dorothee Brantz (Berlin).

Aedes Network Campus, Christinenstr. 18-19, 10119 Berlin  
Entrance is free, preregistration is welcomed: [berlin@aedes-network-campus.de](mailto:berlin@aedes-network-campus.de)

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06. July 2009

## **Exhibit+Press Conference „Boulevard of Stars“ Competition**

Graft's winning entry and all others will be visible during the Exhibition, opening the eve of July 6th. Berlin Senate Building Director Regula Lüscher and the Director of the German Kinematik-Museum for Film and Television will do the honors.

A Press Conference will precede the event, where Graft and Art+Com will showcase their design.

Press Conference:  
Monday, 06. July 2009, 11:00 o'clock,  
Filmhaus am Potsdamer Platz, 4. OG,  
Potsdamer Straße 2  
10785 Berlin.

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01. July 2009

## **Make It Right Architects present new Duplex Designs**

### **Graft designs Camelback House**

Families from the Lower 9th Ward can now choose to build a duplex in the Make It Right neighborhood. Until now, only single family homes were available and being built on the site devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Fourteen acclaimed local, national and international architects volunteered their time, met with the community and potential homeowners and applied their experience and creativity to come up with high quality designs that push the envelope.

A low-res PDF with images, plans and a descriptive text covering Graft's second house design can be found here:

MIR-Graft-Camelback (low-res)

<http://www.graftlab.net/auftritt/daten/pdf/MIR-Graft-camelback.pdf>

High-res material and further information can be attained from our PR Manager in our LA Office: Mr. Christoph Korner christoph@graftlab.com

The official Make It Right website featuring all NEW designs

<http://makeitrightnola.org/index.php?isDirect2=true>