

Aram Anniversary Library Seeking New Home September 2014



2014 marks a significant year for Aram Designs. On 12 April 1964 Zeev Aram opened his very first showroom on London's King's Road. 50 years on and now relocated to a lofty former fruit and vegetable warehouse in Covent Garden, we celebrate this momentous milestone with a series of exhibitions and events.

Earlier this year we launched our Aram Anniversary Library. Friends and colleagues of Aram Designs were invited to nominate a book that has inspired them or had a particular impact on their life and career. The assembled library, opened on 7th May, was a resounding success. Over 80 nominations by esteemed figures* in the creative industries were accompanied by a short paragraph, explaining the significance of their selection. Books range from the out of print to the recently published, reference books to coffee table monographs. Surprisingly, there were few duplicates!

Since May this year, the Aram Anniversary Library has been on display in a specifically created reading area in at Aram Store and visited by a wealth of design students, architects, designers and members of the general public alike. Now, as we come towards the end of our Anniversary Year, we will donate this precious resource to a worthy design or architecture school who we think would much benefit from it.

*see list below

We have two conditions which must be accepted by the recipient.

- All the books in the library must be kept together at all times. The collection cannot be split up and integrated into existing stacks
- The Library, in its entirety, must be free and accessible to all students during their normal library opening times.



We are now inviting university and college heads to write to us expressing your interest in receiving the Aram Anniversary Library. Please explain in succinct terms why your institution and students would benefit receiving this library and the impact it would have on your students' education. Letters can be sent by post to Héloïse Parke, 110 Drury Lane, Covent Garden, London, WC2B 5SG.

Please let us know of your interest by 3rd November 2014. The winning college will be announced in December 2014 through the media.

Please direct any queries to Héloïse Parke by email ellie@thearamgallery.org or by telephone 0207 557 7526



Fig. 1 Zeev Aram & Sir Peter Blake in May 2014



Fig. 2 Edwin Heathcote & Martin Roth in May 2014



Fig. 4 Barbara Chandler & Martino Gamper browse their nominations



Fig. 3 Mark Eley peruses wife Wakako Kishimoto's nomination

Aram Anniversary Library Nominators

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|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Bob Allies | Marcus Fairs | Allen Jones | Jay Osgerby |
| Will Alsop | Lord Norman Foster | Corinne Julius | Eric Parry |
| Ron Arad | Max Fraser | Rodney Kinsman | John Pawson |
| Elizabeth Aram | Sir Christopher Frayling | Wakako Kishimoto | Hugh Pearman |
| Edward Barber | Adrian Gale | Willie Landels | Luke Pearson |
| Deborah Barker | Martino Gamper | Amanda Leveté | Roden Richardson |
| Stephen Bayley | Natalie Gibson | Gerald Levin | Lord Richard Rogers |
| Sir Peter Blake | Piers Gough | Alex Lifschutz | Su Rogers |
| Tord Boontje | Josephine Grever | Sir Stuart Lipton | Martin Roth |
| Ricky Burdett | Andy Groarke | Tom Lloyd | Sir Nicholas Serota |
| John Burningham | Zaha Hadid | Justin McGuirk | Sir Paul Smith |
| Kevin Carmody | Harry Handlesman | Neil McLennan | Sir John Sorrell |
| Tony Chambers | Jamie Hayon | John Miller | Brett Steele |
| Barbara Chandler | Edwin Heathcote | Paul Monaghan | Deyan Sudjic |
| Daniel Charny | Thomas Heatherwick | Rowan Moore | Henrietta Thompson |
| Sir David Chipperfield | Sam Hecht | Sadie Morgan | Johnny Tucker |
| Brian Clarke | Sarah Ichioka | Jasper Morrison | Christopher Turner |
| Kim Colin | Suzanne Imre | Peter Murray | Lucia van der Post |
| Ted Cullinan | Andrew Jackson | David Nicholls | David Walker |
| Alex de Rijke | Eva Jiricna | Michelle Ogundehin | Jon Wealleans |
| Sir Jeremy Dixon | Edward Jones | Emma O'Kelly | Michael Wolff |
| | | | Roger Zogolovitch |

Notes:

- Submissions from the UK only
- The recipient will be responsible for ensuring they have enough space to accommodate the library in its entirety
- As books have been gathered from a variety of resources, please be aware that some are fragile and 2nd / 3rd hand