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Each year, we invite a peerless panel to deliberate over II special awards. Below are the Wallpaper* shortlists - our high five for each category.

BEST DOMESTIC DESIGN

'Matteo Thun Edition' sauna, by Matteo Thun and Antonio Rodriguez, for Klafs A glass-fronted cube wrapped in wooden slats, offering both privacy and views of the outside world. matteothun.com:

klafs.com

Tableware collection, by Aldo Bakker, for Georg Jensen Four sculptural forms, cast from stainless steel and iron and inspired by the work of iconic Danish designer Henning Koppel. aldohakker com: georgjensen.com

'Solitaire' kitchen system, by Bulthaup Ultra-flexible units in oak, aluminium and concrete, with clever storage, designed to encourage a shared cooking experience. bulthaup.com

'Axor Starck V' tap, by Philippe Starck, for Hansgrohe A tap with a highquality crystal glass body and a sculptural spout that allows users to see a water vortex in action. starck.com; hansgrohe.com

'Lanterne d'Hermès' light, by Yann Kersalé, for Hermès A beautifully conceived portable lantern made up of four small lights, all clad in leather. vkersale.com; hermes.com

BEST NEW PRIVATE HOUSE

Vault House, US, by Johnston Marklee A white oceanfront house cut through with arches and vaults and punctuated by a central courtyard. johnstonmarklee.com

Herringbone House, UK, by Chan + Eayrs A young London practice's inaugural project, on a tricky site, this house in Hackney features pale herringbone brickwork and takes inspiration from Scandinavian minimalism. chanandeayrs.com

Split View Mountain Lodge, Norway, by Reiulf Ramstad A timber-clad ski lodge that makes a minimum impact on its surroundings but offers up maximumimpact views, reiulframstad architects.com

Casa B+B, Brazil, by Studio MK27 and Galeria Arquitetos Located in São Paulo. this house comes with an inverted floorplan, and is accessed via an external ramp protected by a concrete cobogó wall. studiomk27.com.br; galeria.arq.br

Cosmic House, Japan, by UID A crisp white house characterised by rectangular arches, large glazed planes and courtyards. maeda-inc.jp

BEST NEW RESTAURANT

The Jane, Antwerp Chefs Sergio Herman and Nick Bril offer a contemporary European menu in a unique ecclesiastical setting, transformed by Piet Boon and furnished with the best of Dutch design. theianeantwert.com

The Monarch Room, New York Roman and Williams' glamorous space mixes rough concrete and plush soft furnishings, while chef Michael Citarella serves modern American fare such as pulled pork shoulder and grits. nymonarch.com

Carlo e Camilla, Milan Italian haute cuisine by chef Carlo Cracco is served at vast communal tables in a soaring space designed by Tanja Solci. carloecamilla insegheria.it

Alicia, Buenos Aires Located off the beaten track in a leafy suburb, Alicia specialises in Mediterranean fare, served in a welcoming space with floor-toceiling windows. 5 Asunción, Villa Devoto

Le Flandrin, Paris A local institution revamped with chic art deco undertones by Joseph Dirand, Le Flandrin offers a classic brasserie menu by chef Olivier Denis. 4 Place Tattegrain

BEST NEW OR RENOVATED HOTEL

American Trade Hotel, Panama City A stylish central American outpost of the Ace Hotel Group, designed by longterm collaborators Commune Design. acehotel.com

Fontevraud L'Hôtel, Fontevraud-l'Abbaye A former convent now transformed into a minimalist, hi-tech hotel by Jouin Manku. Its 54 rooms feature austere materials such as blackened steel, and a palette of beige and mustard yellow. hotel-fontevraud.com

JK Place, Rome Located in what was once Rome's school of architecture, Ori Kafri's JK Place boasts plenty of original features, opulent rooms and a great restaurant. ikroma.com

Le Méridien, Zhengzhou A showcase of the best contemporary Chinese design, curated by Neri & Hu and housed in a 25-storey tower with cantilevered boxes. starwoodhotels.com

The Beaumont. London The debut hotel of restaurateurs Chris Corbin and Jeremy King, the glamorous Beaumont is located in a Grade II-listed art deco block in the heart of Mayfair. thebeaumont.com

PUBLIC BUILDING

Pérez Art Museum Miami, by Herzog & de Meuron An open glass and concrete structure, raised on stilts and covered with lush vegetation. pamm.org; herzogdemeuron.com

Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, by Gehry Partners Classic Gehry curves in a green setting, plus playful details and rooftop terraces with great views of the Bois de Boulogne. fondationlouisvuitton.fr; foga.com

M/S Maritime Museum of Denmark, Helsingør, by BIG A ship-shaped, subterranean museum featuring dramatic use of daylight and 'invisible space'. mfs.dk; big.dk

Plaza, Seoul, by Zaha Hadid Architects A seamless 86,574 sq m park and plaza complex designed using cutting-edge 3D modelling. seouldesign.or.kr/eng; zaha-hadid.com

Dongdaemun Design

Bombay Sapphire Distillery, UK, by Heatherwick Studio An environmentally friendly conservation project featuring giant glasshouses and hi-tech production facilities. distillery.bombay sapphire.com; heatherwick.com

BEST WOMEN'S FASHION COLLECTION

Louis Vuitton Nicolas Ghesquière paired 1960s silhouettes with an updated take on the perennial monogram bag in his debut collection for Louis Vuitton. louisvuitton.com

Christophe Lemaire A discreet approach to luxury dressing, with classic, beautifully cut shapes in elegant fabrics. The collection featured reimagined pea coats, luxurious knitwear and elegant draped dresses. christophelemaire.com

Dior A new wardrobe for the powerful businesswoman. Raf Simons' collection for Dior included both masculine tailoring and form-fitting lace-up dresses, and bold colours paired with classic black. dior.com

Sacai Chitose Abe fused Mongolian fur, Aztec prints, devoré velvet and cable-knit wool to create the season's most surprisingly wearable take on hybrid clothing. sacai.jp

Céline This season Phoebe Philo created a more relaxed, handcrafted silhouette, with an emphasis on knitwear, derived from masculine tailoring. celine.com

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Turn the page for the big reveal of our 2015 winners and to meet the sagacious six who sat in judgement



BEST MEN'S FASHION COLLECTION

Ermenegildo Zegna Couture

Stefano Pilati's designs for the Milanese brand included classic suits and coats given depth with the use of luxurious fabrics and unusual finishes such as quilted wool. zegna.com

Haider Ackermann

Suits, overcoats, blazers and waistcoars. made with luxurious fabrics and worn in layers, showcased the avant-garde Belgian designer's relaxed approach to dressing. haiderackermann.be

Saint Laurent

Hedi Slimane's rock 'n' roll take saw varsity punk meet uptown polish with Teddy Boy-style silhouettes in stovepipe trousers and creepers, as well as glittering pink tuxedos. vsLcom

Marc Jacobs

The ultimate capsule collection, featuring everything from slimline suits and embellished velvet tuxedos to casual trousers, white trainers and patterned knits. marcjacobs.com

Brendan Mullane took inspiration from the trip Brioni founder Gaetano Savini took to Japan in the 1960s to create sharply cut, fine wool suits embellished with Japanese detailing. brioni.com

BEST NEW GROOMING PRODUCT

Make-up collection. by Proenza Schouler, for MAC

This limited-edition, 15-piece make-up range in bright colours was designed to be worn one element at a time, with only one feature - lips, eyes, cheeks or nails being enhanced. maccosmetics.com

RAD Spray SPF25' suncare, by Environ High-factor spray

version of a supereffective sun cream that both absorbs and reflects ultraviolet rays, produced by South African brand Environ. environ.co.za

Air-safe manicure set. by Czech & Speake Packaged in a tactile grey case, this stylish travel manicure set was designed to conform

to all international regulations. czechandspeake.com

Rouge Louboutin' nail polish, by Christian Louboutin

A thick, glossy nail polish in Christian Louboutin's signature red. The brush top has been reinvented as a tall quill, designed to mimic a shoe stiletto. christianlouboutin.com

Grooming range, by Buly 1803

A 19th-century Parisian brand reimagined for the modern world, offering alcohol-free perfumes and parabenfree beauty balms. buly1803.com

LIFE ENHANCER OF THE YEAR

'800+' mechanical pencil and stylus, by Rotring

A hybrid writing instrument that can be used on paper or on a digital screen, thanks to a unique 'twist and click' retractable mechanism. rotring.com

'Swash' clothing care system, by Procter & Gamble

and Whirlpool A compact, personal dry-cleaning machine that works on single items, removing odours and creases in only ten minutes. swash.com

Personalised anti-ageing skincare, by Geneu

This revolutionary new approach to skincare is based on a 30-minute DNA test using a mouth swab and microchip. geneu.com

'Day & Night' light, by Éléonore Delisse An elegant table light

featuring rotating dichroic glass panels designed to help sufferers of Seasonal Affective Disorder. eleonoredelisse.com

'Roma Graffiti' bomber jacket, by Fendi Karl Lagerfeld's

graffiti-printed silk bomber jacket for Fendi folds into a neck pillow - the perfect travel accessory. fendi.com

DESIGNER OF THE YEAR

Patricia Urquiola The Spanish-born,

Milan-based designer creates new products at a relentless pace but in 2014, she raised her game to new levels, designing everything from tiles and seats to modular kitchens. patriciaurquiola.com

Studio

Formafantasma Andrea Trimarchi and Simone Farresin have successfully developed a design approach that is both conceptual and functional, keeping materials research at the core of their work. formafantasma.com

Konstantin Grcic The German designer

can do industrial design and conceptual experiments better than anyone, as his striking mechanical glass furniture for Galerie Kreo perfectly illustrated this year. konstantin-grcic.com

Dimore Studio

Milan-based designers Emiliano Salci and Britt Moran merge past and present styles with brio to create unique interiors and furniture. dimorestudio eu

Scholten & Baijings The Dutch design duo

are masters of colour and graphic lines, this year creating marble tables in sinuous shapes and precisely cut crystal glasses. scholtenbaijings.com

BEST CITY

Chicago

Chicago's star is rising, with striking hotels designed by the likes of Roman and Williams due to open soon, and the cityscape evolving in a green, more sustainable direction, as seen in Studio Gang's master plan for Northerly Island.

Hamburg

Germany's second largest city and media capital, Hamburg boasts architectural projects (mostly in HafenCity), new eateries and giant art galleries aplenty.

Manila

Thanks to a president tackling corruption and talented overseas Filipinos returning home, Manila is a city rising fast, with new towers and artists' showrooms popping up everywhere.

Paris

Paris has bee receptive to trends as shown by the gentrifying rue du Faubourg-St-Denis while the Grand Paris project will bring new housing, transport links and artistic hubs to the capital.

Tokyo

With the 2020 Summer Olympics on the horizon, the Japanese capital is changing faster than ever, with major infrastructure and transport projects already underway.



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