

Spring Decorative Antiques & Textiles Fair

20-25 April 2010

The Marquee, Battersea Park, London SW11



FOYER THEME

A Garden Fantasy: Unusual Statuary & Decorative Objects for City & Country Spaces

A refreshingly natural Foyer display will showcase wonderful garden sculpture, fountains, natural decorative objects and unusual ways to decorate any garden space, whether small or vast, in town or in the country.

The Foyer will be creatively curated by Robert Barley, a sculptor, and dealer in collectors' items and works of art who has exhibited at the Decorative Fair since its launch in 1985.

This is the Fair's 25th Anniversary Year, and the event goes from strength to strength, immune to the whims of fashion or fad. Now averaging 135 exhibitors per event, the huge variety of stock, its decorative appeal and the inventive way in which dealers exhibit items on their stands means that sales at the Fair continue to be buoyant. International decorators and private customers love to snap up these unique treasures.

Whilst the make-up of the Fairs has changed since they launched 25 years ago, the experience at The Decorative Antiques & Textiles Fairs has not. Buyers still find it the most inspiring and relaxed antiques event in the UK. Dealers offer interior decorators and private buyers the best design options around for a very individual look.

The **mainstay** of the Fairs is:

- *Decorative and painted furniture*
- *Traditional English & Continental wood furniture*
- *Art Deco and mid-century modern design*
- *Lighting: from romantic chandeliers to modernist 1960's wall lights*
- *Mirrors: from carved & gilded or mirror-framed, to painted over-mantels*
- *Textiles: for wall decoration or practical application, rugs and kilims*
- *Upholstered and leather furniture*
- *Garden and outdoor furniture and ornament*

Design schemes are also about the personal touch, and the Fair does not omit the needs of **collectors** of objects and works of art from the C17th to C21st, with dealers in:

- *Sculpture and statuary*
- *Ceramics, porcelain & glass*

- *Oriental antiques and artefacts*
- *Paintings and prints of all periods to contemporary*
- *Kitchenalia and gardening antiques*
- *Collectors' items from snuff boxes to antiquities...from tribal art to toys*

But the unique aspect of the Decorative Antiques & Textiles Fairs, and for which it is renowned, is **the quirky and the unusual**: dealers have a great eye for spotting objects that work as decorative highlights in a home. You might find:

- *Industrial or factory furniture*
- *Architectural antiques*
- *Shop fronts and fittings*
- *Fossils and other natural objets trouvés*

Regularly seen at the Fairs are trade buyers from Colefax & Fowler, Ralph Lauren, Anthropologie, Lady Bamford (Daylesford Organic), Paul Smith, Olga and Alex Polizzi (for their own and Rocco Forte hotel projects), Neisha Crosland, Nina Campbell amongst many leading interior designers. Other well known faces who frequently visit include Sir Bob Geldof, Bill Nighy, Helena Bonham Carter, Deborah Meaden (Dragon's Den) and Jeremy Irons.

The Decorative Fair is unique in its convenience and atmosphere which is informal and relaxed (well behaved dogs are allowed), and a fantastic café/brasserie catered by Megan's of Kings Road offers good food and refreshments. On site shippers can help arrange packing and delivery, and The Marquee (which is outside the Congestion Charge zone), also has free parking (limited) so purchases can be carried straight to your car.

A courtesy Renault Shuttle service operates during Fair opening hours between the Sloane Square Hotel and the Marquee, which runs approximately every 10-15 minutes. Admission is £10 including a catalogue which gives free return entry to the Fair. Visit the website www.decorativefair.com for more details.

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Notes to Editors

Event: The Spring Decorative Antiques & Textiles Fair
Date: Tuesday 20 to Sunday 25 April 2010
Venue: The Marquee, Battersea Park, London SW11 4NJ
Tickets: £10.00 including catalogue (which allows free return to Fair)
Transport: Sloane Square Tube – a free Renault shuttle service runs from Sloane Square to the Marquee every 10-15 minutes during opening hours.
Open: Tuesday 12pm – 8pm
Wednesday, Thursday 11am – 8pm
Friday & Saturday 11am – 7pm
Sunday 11am – 6pm
Organisers: Harvey (Management Services) Ltd
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FUTURE DATES: Autumn Fair, 28 Sept-3 Oct 2010