

GO WEST

Toronto's second annual design week saw an entire strip of Dundas Street West transformed into a treasure hunt for design-ophiles. More than two dozen works, from rocker chic wallpaper to colour-coded benches, were embedded as window and interior displays in beauty salons, coffee shops and even a hardware store. The design hop also drew crowds to a few fully rounded-out exhibits. Canadiana chic showroom Made presented a white-walled apartment above its retail space, kitted out with furnishings by 26 designers, while an exhibit across the street feted works by an all-woman roster. At the Department gallery, industrial designers presented their interpretations of tools, such as a necklace with a little hatchet pendant. As well as a week to remember, it was one that next year's circuit can only build on.

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1 HEARTS OF GLASS

Inspired by the anatomy of the heart, Montreal sister and brother My and Thien Trung, the duo otherwise known as **Periphere**, created a collection of mouth-blown glass pendant lights for Made's exhibit, Made at Home. periphere.com

2 IS THAT A GUN IN YOUR POCKET?

In *Everyday Weapons*, by **Chromoly**, meticulously constructed leather holsters house a pair of scissors or a wrench, while a sling supports a glass tumbler, transforming the ordinary objects into potential weaponry. chromoly.ca

3 JEWEL TONES

Hung like art, **Bev Hisey's** Gemstone carpets glamified Made at Home. The hand-tufted New Zealand wool jewels - in tones of citrine, blue sapphire, black onyx and diamond - adorned one of the makeshift apartment's walls. bevhisey.com



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4 HEAVY LIFTING

Known for her wood furnishings, **Jean Willoughby** ventured into new territory with her sturdy and stocky storage unit, which features walnut drawers encased in concrete. jeanwilloughby.com

5 A BRAND NEW WARDROBE

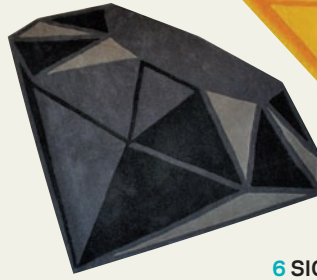
Aptly displayed in the window of a vintage clothing store, the shabby-chic Meltdown Cabinet comes in solid walnut, cherry, maple and white oak. Designer **Jason Wheeler** paints the panels in colours including yellow, red and turquoise to appear almost rusted. wheelersstudio.com



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6 SIGNED, SEALED, DELIVERED

Maiwenn Castellan took the iconic mailbox and completely subverted its rigid form. Her round version, named Liam, is made of coated steel and UV-resistant plywood, embellished with oversized numerals. capacitytoronto.com

7 HAUTE LUMINAIRE

At the local Italian eatery Campagnolo, light artist **Orest Tataryn** assigned a different shade to each letter of "jaune" (French for "yellow"), isolating them in white baffled acrylic boxes turned on their corners. oresttatoryn.com

8 MODERN AIR CRAFTS

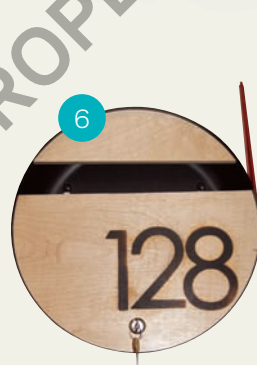
At the Gladstone Hotel's annual Come Up to My Room event, **Rob Southcott** artfully arranged dozens of paper airplanes all over the walls of his room. A closer look (and touch) revealed the utilitarian appeal of his Jet Set pieces: they're actually powder-coated steel coat hooks. robsouthcott.com

9 GHOST FURNITURE

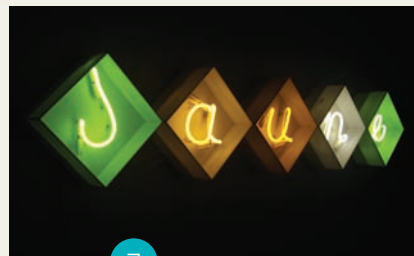
In the spirit of eulogizing past domiciles, **Amanda McCavour** sewed remnants from the living room of her previous apartment onto a fabric that dissolves in water. All that's left - hanging by a thread at Come Up to My Room - are delicate impressions of what once was. amandamccavour.com



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