

PRESS RELEASE

exhibition
PIERRE GONALONS
DESIGN WORKS

Exhibition at **HOTEL ICON**

Above & Beyond, 28th floor

2.30 pm to 5.30 pm daily, May 27th June 26th

17 Science Museum Road

Tsim Sha Tsui East, Kowloon

Hotel ICON in association with **Avenue des Arts**

bring design works by Pierre Gonalons to Hong

Kong in iconic art show for Le French May.

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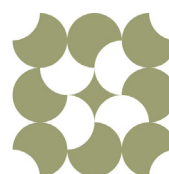


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As part of Hong Kong's month-long celebration of French culture, Le French May, the city's Hotel ICON is proud to partner with renowned French designer and artist **Pierre Gonalons**, represented by **Avenue Des Arts**, for the first exhibition of his work in Asia. The venue is **Hotel ICON's** breathtaking 28th floor 'Above and Beyond' Lounge, featuring Hong Kong's unique cityscape and skyline as its backdrop.

The Parisian designer will present a selection of his design works alongside a number of his brand new creations that mix pop culture with classical inspirations, all created through the use of exceptional materials. Featured pieces will include lights, furniture, mirrors and limited edition pieces from his latest production, including Grand Antique Marble console and pedestal as well as his beautiful Pyramid tables in polished brass.

«It's most fitting that our hotel, created, decorated and populated by iconic designers and creative thinkers, is playing host to one of the art world's most exciting contemporary artists» said Richard Hatter, General Manager Hotel ICON. *«We're honoured to celebrate his work for the first time in Asia, especially given that Hong Kong's breathtaking vistas provide the setting from our 'Above & Beyond' lounge.»*

Hotel ICON will host an opening cocktail reception and spectacular 6-course Cantonese dinner at Above & Beyond. The menu with wine pairings has been created by their new award-winning chef Paul Tsui and takes place in the presence of Pierre Gonalons.

Cocktail starts at 7pm | Dinner starts at 8pm

Location: 28/F Above & Beyond

Price: HK\$ 1200 + 10% service charge

RSVP: 3400 1368 or aboveandbeyond@hotel-icon.com

Members of the public will be able to visit the exhibition from 2.30pm to 5.30pm, daily from May 27th until June 26th.



Pierre Gonalons

is a product designer, interior architect and creative director.

Born in Lyon with an Italian cultural background, he offers a vision of design that combines an echo of decorative arts and popular culture along minimalist lines. In an over-codified environment, he has chosen not to overdraw his creations, to let them have a chance to live beyond trends.

During his visit to Hong Kong, Gonalons will also present a special lecture to students from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University School of Design.

A 2002 graduate from Camondo in Paris, Pierre Gonalons founded Ascète in 2003. Ascète's creations, all individually signed, include furniture, lamps, objects and watches. In addition, Gonalons works with brands including Chloé, Kiehl's, Lalique, L'Oréal Luxe, Nina Ricci Parfums, Pernod and others on product conception, space setting and creative strategy.

He was awarded Best breakthrough Designer at the 2007 Wallpaper Design Awards, while his first solo exhibition of limited edition furniture PAVILLONS for the Armel Soyer Gallery was presented at Design Miami Art Basel. Earlier this year, during the AD Collections fair in Paris, he launched a new production of exceptional pieces using Grand Antique marble from a renowned quarry which has just reopened in France.

Le French May is Hong Kong's unique celebration of French culture, encompassing scores of events across the city in May. Avenue des Arts is a Hong Kong-based agency which provides Contemporary Art & Design Consultancy services for Hospitality, Property & Corporate projects.





KING SUN
floor lamp



SUNSET
lamp



MIDNIGHT
table lamp



EXTRACTION
console



EXTRACTION
pedestal table



PALAIS
console



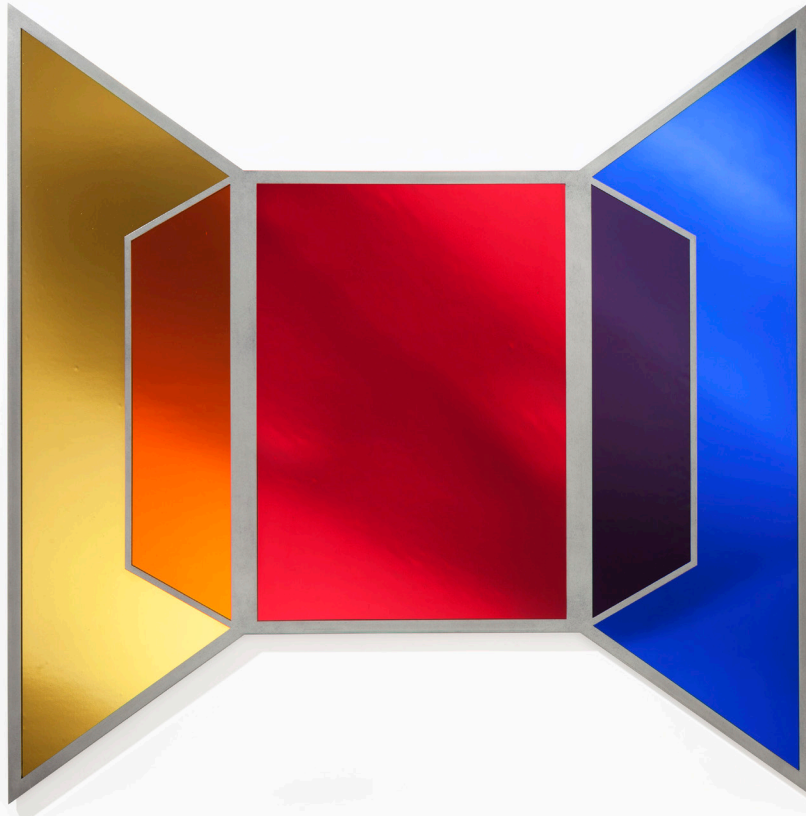
PALAIS
coffee table



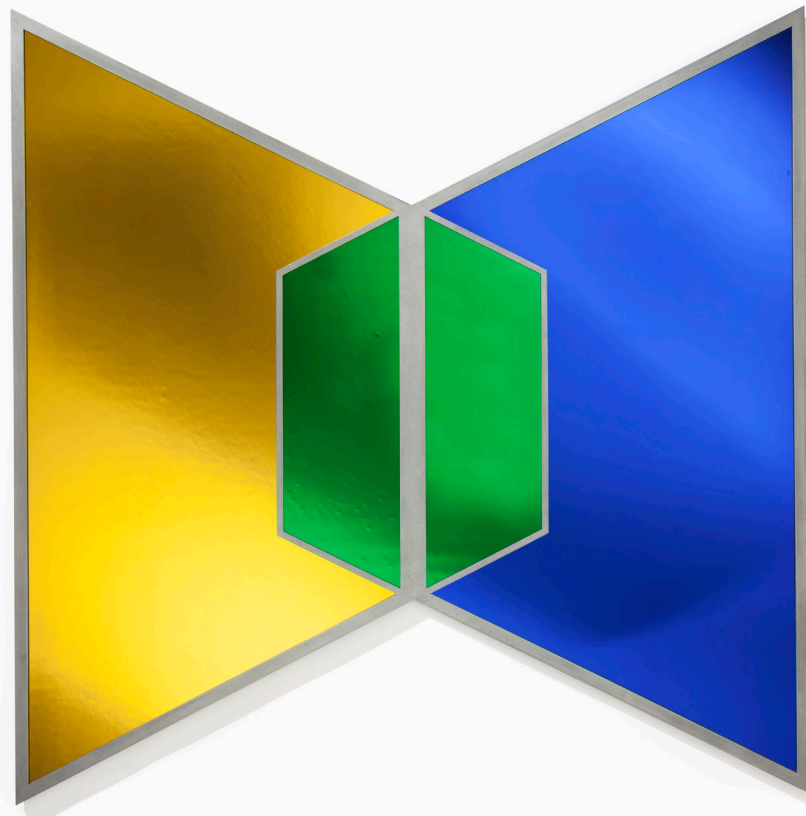
BLOW
table lamp



ROMA
side table



DEVIATION
mirror



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mirror

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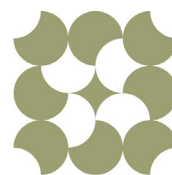


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