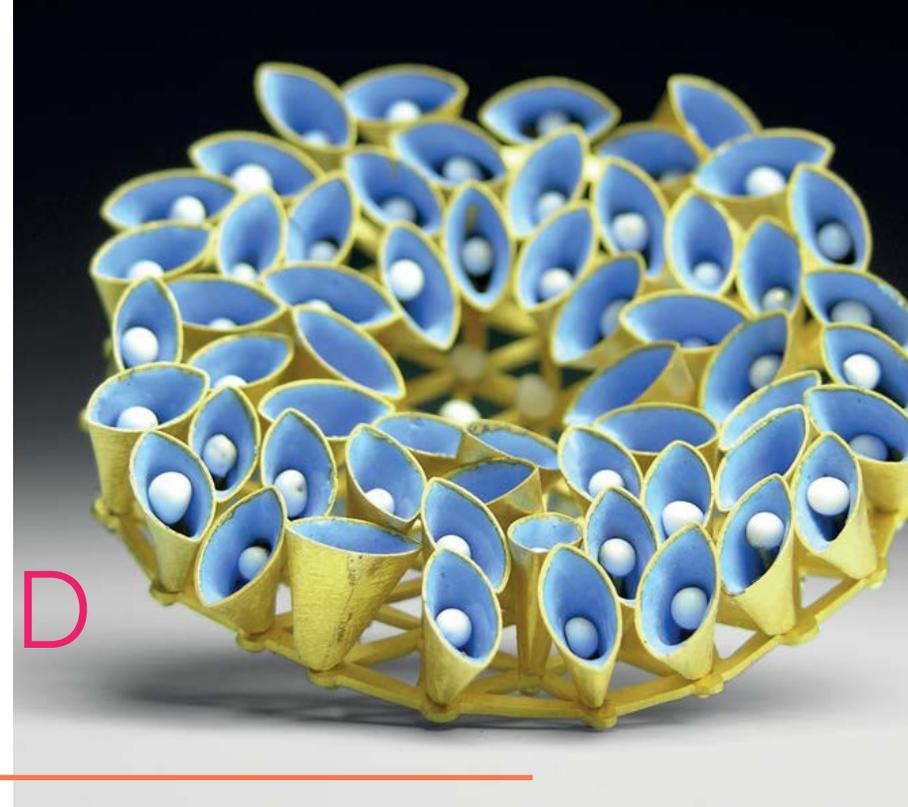


MADE BY HAND LONDON, ENGLAND

MAY 7TH-14TH



“Made by Hand” objects are connectors of human stories. If we take the time to ‘listen’ to the objects, we can hear the story of the artisan; her emotions, state of mind, challenges, heritage, skills, travails. She puts her all in that item, and delivers it into the world for us to observe, admire, handle and possibly make ours. And so, we add our story to hers, through that object that somehow recalls our own memories, elicits our own emotions, connects us to our own heritage. And that object will eventually pass on to someone else. It will carry with it the story of an artist and a stranger that somehow shared a bond.

In order to truly explore the concept of “Made by Hand” in the best possible manner, Rue Pigalle has partnered with **London Craft Week** for an exceptional week-long discovery program of workshops, lectures, films, gallery visits and exclusive events in one of the world’s most beautiful cities.

While the daily detailed offering of events will be revealed closer to the time, here are the temps-forts of the trip.

Brooch by Jacqueline Ryan

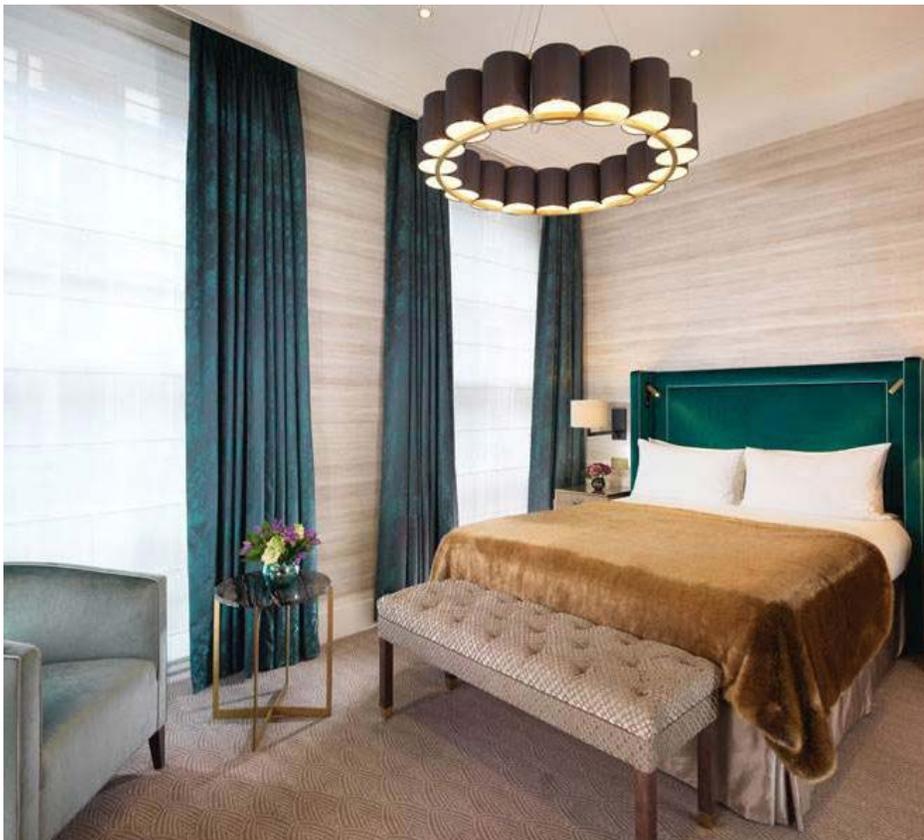
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HOTEL & DINING

Check-in at **Flemings Mayfair Hotel**. As British as they come, the recently refurbished boutique hotel is found in the heart of one of London's most elegant neighborhoods, just a skip away from Old Bond Street, synonymous with luxury and British elegance. A sense

of 1930s glamour pervades the lavish interiors, with rooms fit with hand-stitched bedding and papered in soothing shades of bronze and grey. Chef Shaun Rankin, who has a number of Michelin stars to his name, oversees Ormer, the hotel's signature restaurant. For early risers, there is a discreet on-site gym, while a champagne tea in the Drawing Room is a special afternoon feature.



Throughout our time in London we will dine as the locals do, visiting a series of restaurants that underscore the reason why the culinary scene is such

a dynamic one – arguably the world's best. Think innovative cuisine with a focus on seasonality and a side of excellent service.

EXCLUSIVE EVENTS

A BLACK TIE AFFAIR

We celebrate our arrival in London at a **black tie fête** in a swishy setting. The private affair promises to be incredibly English, with an aristocratic feel stitched into the fabric of the soirée. Offering guests an exceptional opportunity to meet and mingle with London Craft Week talents, we are invited into the fold of British society to party like true Londoners — elegantly and with distinction.

SECRET HISTORIC LOCATION VISIT

England, steeped in history, offers much in terms of architectural eye candy to those keen on ogling ancient buildings. As it is, some of the most impressive properties lie beyond London's borders. We have secured a **behind-the-scenes tour** of a rather royal landmark that dates back to the 11th century, found a short train ride away. This unique access will take place over the course of the day, with a more leisurely pace ensuring we experience this historic residence's top highlights in the best possible manner.



PETERSHAM NURSERY

Petersham Nursery in historic Covent Garden, will play host to a private fruit-of-the-earth event. Inside the Grade II listed building, a trio of Victorian atriums serve to frame the greenery beneath, providing a breathtaking backdrop to the shindig.

Anyone seeking out housewares will find it hard to resist the charms of the emporium, with a handpicked collection expertly curated by the Petersham family. The on-site restaurant is an award-winning leader in sustainability.

FOR RP GUESTS ONLY

Created exclusively for Rue Pigalle's guests, this **atelier visit** will take us behind the scenes of a jeweler with a long legacy of excellence. These are ideal circumstances in which to learn more about the spirit of craftsmanship, the journey that each piece of jewelry takes, from idea to execution. Guests will depart the event laden not with items (although who knows, you might find the perfect sparkly nugget there), but with an enriched understanding of the meticulous process involved in exceptional fine jewelry creation.

A SELECTION OF OUR ATELIERS AND STUDIO VISITS

LOT1 WITH JED GREEN

The concept of jewelry as wearable art is threaded through our journey and a visit to **LOT1** space will reinforce this idea. This collaborative project sees three makers — jewelers Jed Green and Sarah Pulvertaft alongside embroiderer Beatrice Mayfield — convert raw materials into unique pieces of jewelry. Using unexpected elements for their craft — checking off everything from horsehair to glass to more traditional metals — the trio's wearable art surprises and delights with results that side-step the traditional confines of jewelry.



STUDIO FUSION GALLERY WITH ISABELLE BUSNEL

Playing not-so-humble-abode to the crème de la crème of the UK's contemporary jewelry makers, **Studio Fusion Gallery** is a Designers-Makers Cooperative that exhibits an unusual collection of distinctive, handmade, contemporary jewelry, metalsmithing and art from over 50 artists. Their M.O? Bold colours.



Enter **Isabelle Busnel**, a French artist whose candy-colored jewelry is executed in silicone rubber for a trompe l'oeil effect that underscores its playful attitude. Isabelle, who resides full-time in London, has a particular process that involves disassembling cheap and cheerful jewelry and transforming it into spectacular molded brooches, earrings and necklaces.

We have invited Isabelle to do a custom project specifically for Rue Pigalle guests. Our customers will share images of a treasured piece of jewelry with her. Isabelle will then do a contemporary interpretation of each piece as a brooch, using her methods to emphasize the personal relationship wearers have with both their jewelry and the maker. This bespoke experience will truly be one-of-a-kind.



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COCKPIT ARTS VISIT

Cockpit Arts is an encouraging home base for an eclectic mix of makers including world class jewelers. Recognized as the only incubator for craftspeople across the United Kingdom, the creative space spans two sites with 170 makers in its midst. We will tour the Holborn location, tucked away on a rather unassuming street. Inside, individual studios are separated by glass partitions, enhancing the sense

of community and flow of ideas between the makers. Checking off a tightly curated list of studios, we will gain more in-depth knowledge on the processes behind the art.

RUTH TOMLINSON ATELIER VISIT

Working her magic through gold and precious stones, jeweler **Ruth Tomlinson** takes a delicate approach to jewelry. Her pieces appear to be an

extension of nature, embracing texture and asymmetry in order to highlight everything from Baroque pearls to raw diamonds. Additionally, Ruth specializes in reworking heirloom pieces that hold great sentimental value to clients but don't quite mesh with their lifestyles. Rue Pigalle guests are invited to book a one-on-one consultation with Ruth to transform an under-worn piece into an ethereal work of art.



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SIMON HARRISON STUDIO VISIT

The baubles of **Simon Harrison** are quintessentially British, possessing quirk, charm and elegance in equal amounts. His whimsical fashion jewelry aims to elicit a smile from the wearer. A storyteller at heart, Simon equates expressive jewelry to a 3D form of narration, a catalyst for conversation.

Simon will welcome us in his studio, found in the smart London Bridge neighborhood. A closer look at his highly detailed work while learning where he grabs inspiration for his fantastical wearable objets d'art might lead to some serious jewelry temptation.

London's famed Borough Market – one of the oldest in town – is nearby for those who fancy some post-tour nosh.



WHEN IN LONDON YOU HAVE TO EXPERIENCE...

A BALLET NIGHT AT ROYAL OPERA HOUSE

Known colloquially as “Covent Garden,” the **Royal Opera House** is a spectacular performing arts center dating back to 1792. We experience the historic atmosphere, the splendid gilded glory of its stunning architecture before being ushered into our private balcony box to attend a passionate performance courtesy of The Royal Ballet.



HIGH TEA AT MARIAGE FRERES

Being the world’s most exclusive purveyor of luxury teas and France’s oldest tea house, **Mariage Frères** only recently settled in London. You can lose yourself in this five-storey listed Georgian townhouse, travelling the world of tea through the Comptoir du Thé’s apothecary-style tea canisters. High tea at the Salon de Thé is a contemporary version of the forever British tradition — the tea sommeliers are expecting us.

THE V&A JEWELRY GALLERY

Housing one of the most comprehensive collections of jewelry the world over, the **V&A** is a must-visit for anyone seeking a greater understanding of the history of body decoration. Currently undergoing a facelift, the jewelry gallery will be newly opened just in time for a tailor-made Rue Pigalle tour. We get an up-close-and-personal look at extraordinary pieces reaching from around 800–700 BC to the present day, with possible highlights including a Celtic collar, Renaissance rings and Cartier’s dazzling diamond tiaras.



SAYING GOODBYE TO LONDON

Following a whirlwind week, our guests are free to spend their last full day in London experiencing the city as they choose to. Chances are, many of you will wish to use this time to shop for yourselves or for others. Rue Pigalle's Isabelle Fish knows London like the back of her hand, and is more than happy to direct guests towards her favourite studios and boutiques — accessing the real London gems like a local.



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The price is CAD \$15,600 (+13% HST) per person based on single occupancy Double Luxury Room.

This includes:

- 7-night accommodation (including breakfast and all local taxes) at Hotel Flemings of Mayfair. Upgrade may be available at additional cost. Please inquire for further details.
- Dinner every night at a selected restaurant (except May 7th).
- All activities, entrance fees, lecturers, guides and gratuities as per the itinerary.
- A photo album of our trip with all our favourite memories.
- Travelling with a group of 7 to 10 guests.

This does not include:

- Meals other than those listed
- Hotels gratuities and extras
- Flights to and from London
- Airport transfers
- Purchases or shipping of purchases

Pace of trip:

There is a gentle pace to this trip. After a mid-morning coffee, we set off for our main visit of the day which usually concludes by mid-afternoon. You then have the option to either join me for an extra local activity or enjoy some personal exploring time at your own pace. I will share with you my list of “most loved” boutiques, designers, places to visit and other local favourites. My goal is to make your trip as unique, enjoyable and enriching as possible.

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All bookings by TWIL Travel.

A non refundable 50% deposit is due upon booking. The balance of the payment is due on April 7 2019 and is non refundable. For that reason it is recommended that you purchase travel insurance.

TWIL Travel reserves the right to cancel bookings if a minimum of 7 guests is not reached by April 6 2019. In such event, guests will receive a full refund of their deposit and no further compensation will be due for such cancellation.

While we make every effort to stay within the itinerary, occasionally we may substitute according to local conditions and desire of the group.

A more detailed itinerary will be emailed to you one week before the trip.