



Minoli brings World Superbikes to London’s West End

Leading tile distributor Minoli Tiles recently hosted as evening at its West End showroom for an exclusive guest list of clients, who work predominantly in the development and automotive sector. The star attraction was a display of the World Superbikes that campaign world-wide in this most exciting of motorcycle race series. The arrival of the team’s race truck certainly made an impression on the residents of W1.

After an introduction by Jonathon Minoli, Paul Denning gave a presentation which was an insight into the world of running a highly professional and competitive racing team on a world-wide platform. This is as well as integrating with the operation of a very successful motorcycle retail business encompassing several dealerships and leading franchises.

Well over 100 guests were enthralled by the talk, which was a clever mixture of anecdotes and racing facts. Denning managed to relay to even those in the room with no great knowledge of motorcycle racing, how the operation of such a team, and the commitment needed, translates into more regular commercial operations.

Jonathon Minoli, Managing Director, commented: “We were truly delighted when Paul agreed to come along to Minoli London to present a view of his world to our clients. The guests were quite enthralled, as it is a business very different from that which those in the room are involved with day to day. On e of the most memorable points of the day was watching the full sized Team Race Truck navigate through W1 and park outside the showroom. To see this purpose-built mobile racing garage parked in the centre of Marylebone was a very impressive sight. For this we do have to thank our friends at Westminster Council for being so co-operative and making allowances for this to have been possible.”

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StoneCircle manufactures marble frieze for Westminster Cathedral



StoneCircle produced the marble for Tom Phillips' depiction of the Tyburn Gallows in his design for the Chapel of St George and the English Martyrs in Westminster Cathedral.

The company took the artist's drawing and faithfully redrew it so that each piece and letter could be cut on the waterjet machine. The pieces were then bonded onto a 10mm carrara backing slab and polished in the workshop before being crated and sent to the site for installation.

Tom Phillips' commented on the inspiration for the design: “The west wall shows the gibbet at Tyburn as traditionally represented, with the ladders which

served it now depicted as ascending above, into the vault. As you face it you are pointing directly towards the site of Tyburn, two miles away at Marble Arch.”

The wall features several different types of marble: Alpine Jade, Amarello de Negrais, Azul Bahia, Noir St Laurent, Rosso Impero, Bianco Carrara Extra and Porfiorico Noce.

The marble supplier was Ian McDonald of McMarmilloid.

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2nd Arab Carpet & Flooring Expo is set for Abu Dhabi in September 2017



The second edition of Arab Carpet & Flooring Expo, the international carpet and flooring exhibition, will take place from 12th to 14th September 2017 at the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre in the United Arab Emirates

Arab Carpet and Flooring Expo's objective is to provide a world-class international event in the city of Abu Dhabi which boasts the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque; the location of the world's largest hand-made carpet and a centre of truly world-class flooring. This unique carpet, made especially for Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque by around 1,300 Iranian carpet knotters, measures 5,627 sq. metres, weighs 35 tonnes and comprises approximately 2.27 billion knots. It took two years to complete and was made from cotton and wool sourced from New Zealand and Iran.

The first edition of Arab Carpet and Flooring Expo was a successful launch show. It attracted 47 exhibitors from 15 different countries around

the world and drew in visitors who from different 34 countries, making it a truly international event.

The second edition aims to continue to cement Abu Dhabi's position as the hub of carpet and flooring in the MENA region by providing a platform for the world's very best suppliers to showcase their products, services, technologies and innovations every year.

The organisers, ExCo Media, claims that no other event in the region provides a platform such as this for exhibitors, sponsors, visitors, industry professionals, private buyers and all other interested individuals and parties to participate in a set of events that focus specifically and only on carpet and flooring and to take advantage of the abundant economic, social, educational and environmental opportunities that exist locally and regionally in this space.

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The wrong caption was used in the item about the shortlisted entries for fixer of the year, page24. They should have been as shown below.



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