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# THE FUTURE IS HERE

AN EXHIBITION FROM LONDON'S DESIGN MUSEUM CO-CURATED WITH RMIT DESIGN HUB

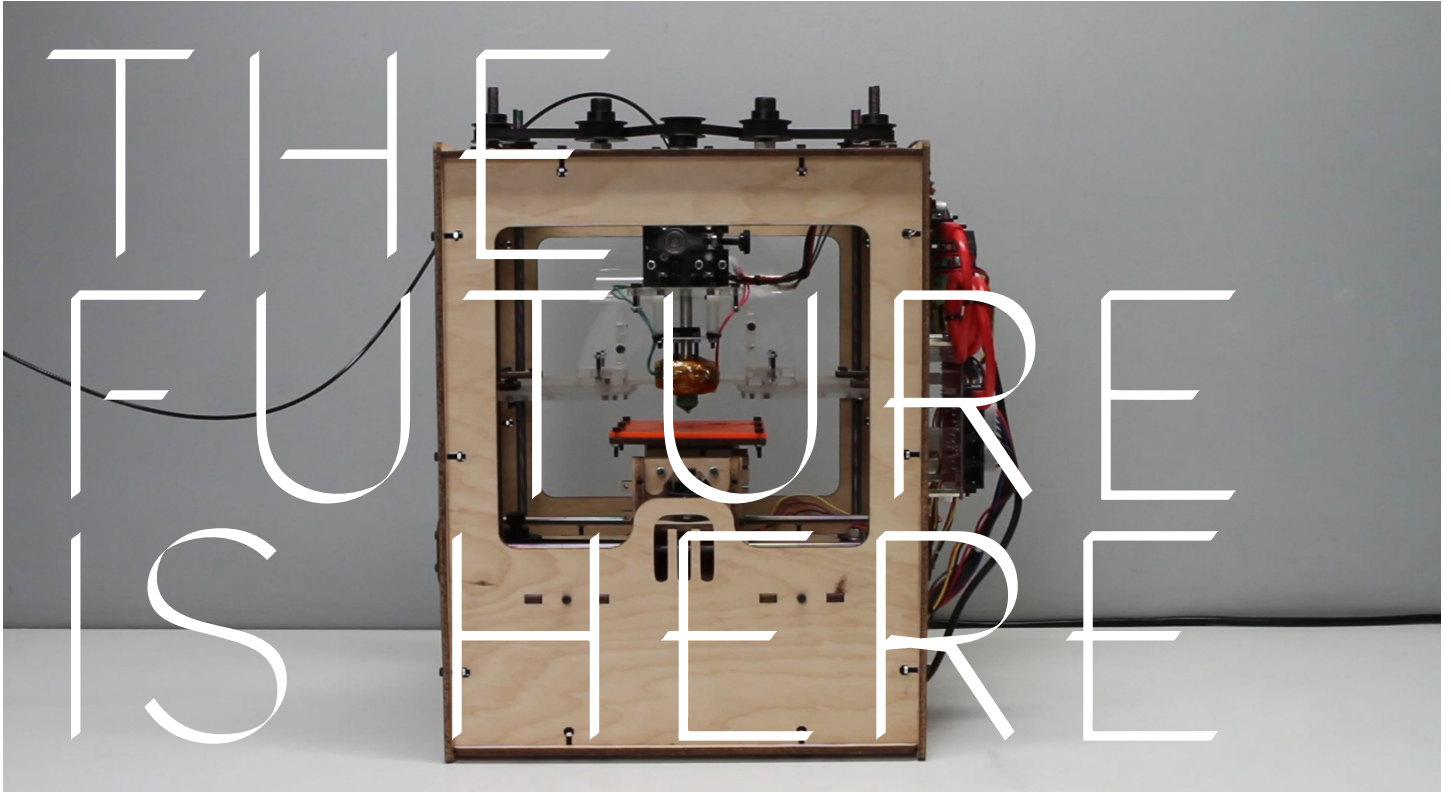


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We are in the midst of a transformation in the way we design, make and consume the objects that we depend upon. New techniques, technologies and relationships mean that the boundaries between designer, manufacturer and user are becoming increasingly blurred. Greater access to information about how objects are made, as well as access to those who traditionally make them, is revolutionising the role of the consumer so that more people than ever before are taking part in the production of our physical world. *The Future Is Here* asks what that means for all of us.

Mass customisation, emerging technologies and platforms such as crowd funding, social networking, online marketplaces, robotic manufacturing processes, 3D printing, nanotechnology, routing and open-source micro computing, are all removing the barriers of access to manufacturing.

*The Future Is Here* is a touring exhibition created by the Design Museum, London. When on show at RMIT Design Hub, the exhibition will include additional local design research projects that demonstrate the importance of speculation and prototyping to innovation and design.

Alisa Andrasek will be a special guest, in partnership with RMIT School of Architecture and Design. Her project, Bloom will be exhibited in conjunction with *The Future Is Here* in Project Room 3. The urban toy, distributed social game and collective 'gardening' experience was first installed in London, as part of the capital's city-wide celebration during the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympics.

The exhibition will be accompanied by a full program of associated lectures, talks and workshops, including:

**OPENING CELEBRATION » THURSDAY 28 AUGUST, 6 - 9 PM**  
PROJECT ROOMS 1 & 2, LEVEL 2

**ALISA ANDRASEK LECTURE » FRIDAY 29 AUGUST, 6 - 8 PM**  
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, LEVEL 1, FREE!

Design Museum Curator: Alex Newson.  
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