



Official launch of CETLD

The Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning through Design was officially launched on Monday 30 October by Professor Julian Crampton, Vice Chancellor of the University of Brighton, Professor Sir Christopher Frayling, Rector of the Royal College of Art and Anne Boddington, Director of CETLD and Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Architecture at the University of Brighton. About 80 invited guests were present to launch the Centre, including members of partner institutions, representatives from the creative and cultural industries and staff and students from various departments of the University of Brighton.



RIBA education room

The construction of the RIBA Education Room, made possible by the support from CETLD, is nearing completion. While the Room is a modest enough space carved out of the British Architectural Library former "strong room," it is the first designated space for RIBA collections-based education and outreach. Once completed, the Education Room will enable group study in situ, facilitate seminars and workshops, as well as provide a video-conference connection to CETLD partners and other users from the world of education.

CETLD Wiki technology project

The RIBA Research Department has been a successful recipient of a CETLD grant focusing on the potential of Wiki technologies in harnessing, conveying and stimulating architecture-related research. An exploratory study will help develop and refine the Wiki platform across a broad range of user groups and contributors.

Le Corbusier Exhibition Projects

As part of the British Architectural Library's contribution to the RIBA Trust, a major exhibition on Le Corbusier is to be delivered (Liverpool 2008, London 2009). Several research and education related projects are currently in development. Graduate students with an expertise on Le Corbusier who are interested in collaborating with the Library, should contact Dr Irena Murray, Sir Banister Fletcher Director, British Architectural Library.

iGuides from StreetAccess

The iGuides from StreetAccess project is continuing to wireless network galleries at the V&A. Work on the British Galleries is almost complete, and testing of the network will begin this week.

The next group of galleries to be wireless networked will be the Fashion, Nehru and Jameel Galleries as well as the new shop.

Fashion students visit the V&A

V&A CETLD staff welcomed 50 Fashion students from the University of Brighton on Monday 20th November 2006. Organised by Academic Programme Leader, Malcolm McInnes, students visited the V&A's Leonardo da Vinci exhibition, 'Experience, Experiment and Design' and spent the rest of the day drawing in the galleries.

Beth Cook and Catherine Speight took a small group of students on an accompanied visit around the permanent galleries. The accompanied visits form part of a larger research programme exploring the use of museum collections for learning by design students in higher education.

V&A Online survey

Design tutors have been asked to use an online form to show how their students use museum collections when learning about design.

Research from the online survey will inform a larger research project about the role of museums in higher education.

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