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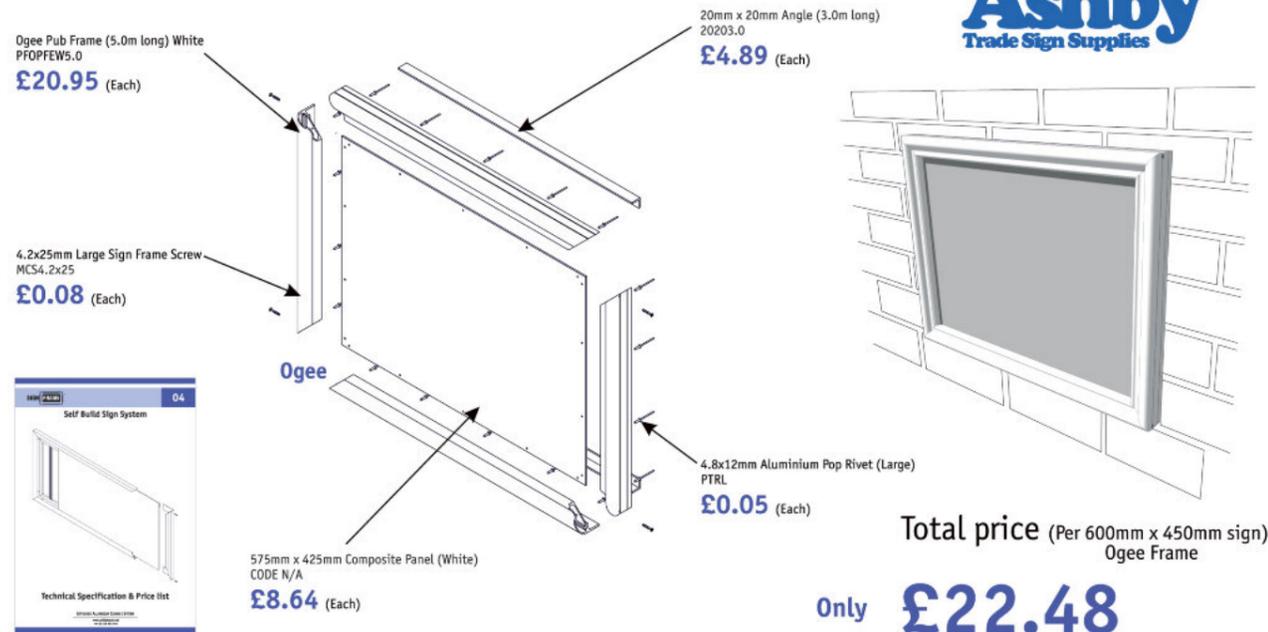
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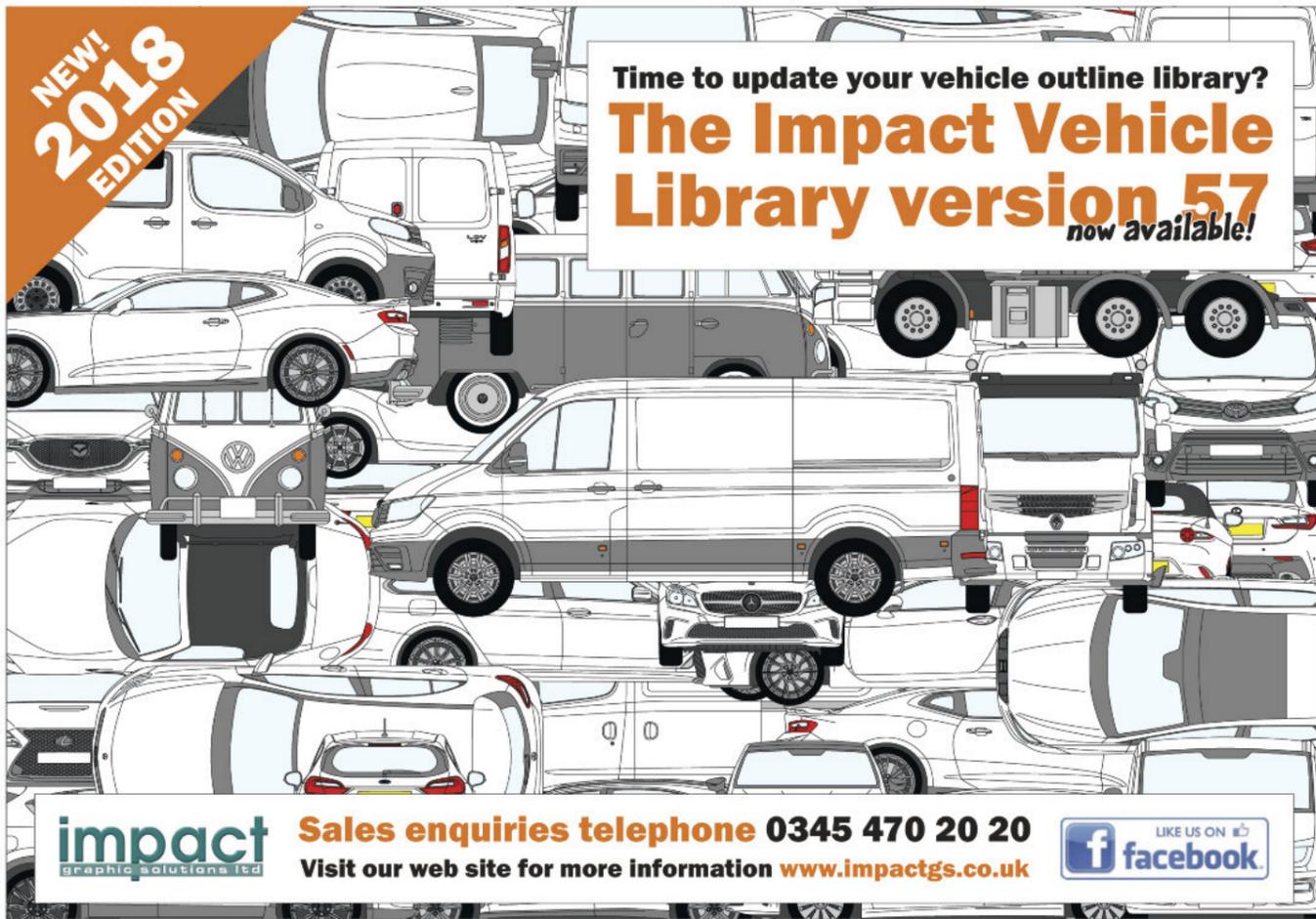
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Making a big impact

In this penultimate issue of the year, we bring you three features to sink your teeth into. Sorry (not sorry) can't help a Halloween reference. So treat yourself to a bit of time out, get comfortable and read all about printable materials (there's so many products!) built up letters and a favourite topic of ours, traditional signage.

Elsewhere in this issue, Trotec Laser celebrate their 20th birthday and look back at their humble beginnings till today, as they aspire to be the world's biggest laser maker. XYZ explain the value in customised CNC routers; and project news showcases wonderful work from Epson, CCD wayfinding specialists, Shimmerdisk, Brunel Engraving and Artsystems. Product news is awash with updates, upgrades and innovation, especially new hardware from Mimaki and new products from Aslan, APA and Antalis.

In Sign news two very popular exhibitions, Printwear & Promotion and Sign & Digital, announce their news for 2018; new franchises open whilst others expand; and Antalis launch an interesting interior design award using their Coala products.

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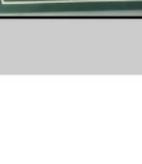
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Antalis creates strong attraction with new range of magnetics

Antalis has launched a new range of large-format magnetic media for interior displays called Coala Magnetics. The company says they are the perfect products for promotional applications, providing outlets with a quick change, sign and display solution.

Coala Magnetics complements the Coala brand of products, to give retailers renewable large-format display graphics that are "fast and easy to apply". Incredibly flexible, the range allows outlets to re-apply and reposition graphics and messaging, which makes the range a cost-effective solution for shops and restaurants where branding needs to be regularly refreshed, according to Antalis.

Antalis offers a solution that combines the magnetic adhesive base (Coala Magnetic Base Films) with the printable ferrous films (Coala Ferro Films). This allows a permanent magnetic wall to be created that can be updated with seasonal promotions in an easy and effective way. Coala Ferro Films deliver high levels of print quality and are suitable for printing with eco solvent and solvent inks, as well as UV inkjet and latex inkjet, claims the company.

Without any professional assistance, users choose their preferred display surface (a wall, a door, a partition wall, or even a cylindrical shape) and place the Coala Magnetic Base Film on top. Available in a variety of formats and thicknesses, this material serves as the base on which to position the Coala Ferro Films.



The Coala range give retailers renewable large-format display graphics that are "fast and easy to apply"

The Coala Magnetics range also includes printable magnetic PVC in a wide variety of thicknesses, force and surfaces, suitable for applying directly to any metal objects such as vehicles and electrical appliances.

Chris Green, Head of Channel, Antalis Visual Communications said: "Coala Magnetics builds on the existing Coala brand by providing a highly versatile range, ideal for businesses requiring fast-changing communications. The simplicity and cost-effectiveness afforded by Coala Magnetics means retailers are able to vary their visual merchandising at high-speed and low-cost, increasing the effectiveness of promotional material."

The Coala Magnetics range

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Printable magnetic films

Coala Printable Magnet PVC 500mic
620mm x 30m S/UV/L
Coala Printable Magnet PVC 500mic
1,000mm x 15m S/UV/L
Coala Printable Magnet PVC 850mic
620mm x 30m S/UV
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Antalis recently launched its inaugural 'Antalis Interior Design Award'; a global competition designed to recognise and reward true ingenuity and creativity through the use of its Coala visual communications range. The competition, which has numerous categories for both in-situ and conceptual designs, is open until 31 December 2017.

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The Coala Magnetic range is good for pubs and restaurants where branding needs to change regularly

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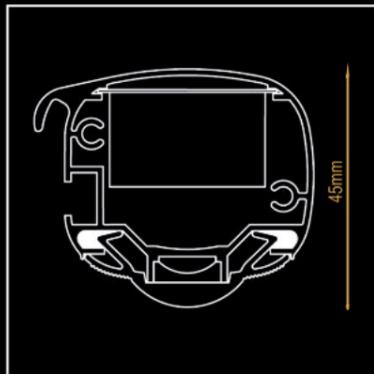
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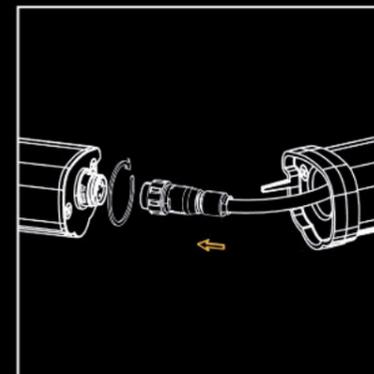
The new sleek and stylish 45mm casing is the slimmest available in the UK with integral drivers.



Smart new cast end caps with rear entry cable glands tidy and conceal unsightly cables from view.



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The new IP68 connector is concealed within a new cast aluminium chamber and sits comfortably in a step grommet allowing cables to freely pass through for easy installation of longer runs.



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Fluorescent inks enhance appeal of new Mimaki TS30-1300

Hybrid Services have Mimaki's latest dye-sublimation offering, the TS30-1300 1.3m printer, at its Cheshire showroom available for demonstrations.

The new TS30-1300, a 1.3m dye sublimation printer, was launched at FESPA earlier this year. Hybrid's Textile Product Manager, Brett Platt, said: "The entry level TS30-1300's arrival offers true wide format production dye sublimation at a new and much lower price point. Retailing at just £7,495 it provides everything we've come to expect from Mimaki's high print and build quality for a new audience."



The dye-sublimation printer from Mimaki has the option of adding fluorescent inks

Mimaki's yellow and pink neon inks are ideal for including in designs for cycling kits, swimsuits and gymnastics apparel, says the company

"We have the option of fluorescent inks for the TS30-1300, and the demo unit at our showroom has been commissioned with neon pink and yellow to demonstrate the

eye-catching opportunities of fluoro inks. The extraordinary shades achievable using these inks make them ideal for the production of dance wear and event branding and we're keen to show this off to potential purchasers."

Value and vibrancy can be added to bespoke, quality products by using neon inks and offer the additional safety feature of enhancing visibility to sports garments. Mimaki's yellow and pink neon inks are ideal for including in designs for cycling

kits, swimsuits and gymnastics apparel, says the company.

"The TS30 will also open doors to fashion designers and studios. For sampling purposes, it's no longer good enough to present a design idea on paper; and the TS30 makes it cost effective to show compelling samples or even made up garments on a range of different polyester fabrics," says Brett.

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KernowJet® products get the HP Latex stamp of approval

Distributors and printers can buy with confidence from Kernow Coatings' range of wide format products, says the company.

Newly launched this year, the full range of KernowJet Interiors printable wallcoverings have been certified for HP latex inks, making Kernow Coatings the "solution maker" for wide format needs. There are two thicknesses and 13 different embossed patterns to choose from, all HP Latex Certified.

The entire range of KernowJet Ultimate and Supreme products have been certified for HP latex inks. The Ultimate range of roll up and pop up display material has scratch and water resistance; and an anti-reflective front surface provides excellent print quality, according to Kernow.

KernowJet Opaline Gloss 201 is another newly HP Latex certified product. This backlit film with glossy high-resolution coating, is available up to 1524mm wide, and is ideal for indoor and outdoor lightbox applications.

The new products displayed at FESPA earlier this year KernowJet FloorShark and KernowJet Metalik®, are already with HP for approval with their Latex ink systems.

As part of a wider effort to ensure that KernowJet products are easy and reliable to use, all the HP Latex Certified products are listed on HP's Media Locator on their website, where the OMS file can be downloaded straight to your printer.

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ASLAN complements its range of metal effect films with rosegold

ASLAN has extended its portfolio of metal effect films, by adding the metallic colour rosegold to the MetalEffect ASLAN CA 23 series, which consist of a variety of polished and brushed metal effect films.

Rosegold is a popular shade at the moment across a number of different industries, such as décor, jewellery, electronics, fashion and interior design, says ASLAN. With the self-adhesive polyester film, this colour can easily be integrated in shop window designs, visual merchandising and shop fitting. The highly glossy film has been designed for the creation of plotted lettering, logos and designs on smooth surfaces as well as full-surface designs.

Thanks to the identical effect on both sides, the film is particularly suited for glass applications. Applying a plotted design inversely on the inner side of the glass also protects it from deliberate damage and other external factors. The rosegold film has a minimum outdoor durability of two years and is suitable for interior as well as exterior applications.

The 50 µm thick self-adhesive film is easy to apply and comes in rolls of 25 metres x 1.25 metres.

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New Mimaki printer/cutters “define the future” of sign and graphics

Mimaki has launched the UCJV300-160 and UCJV150-160 roll-to-roll LED UV printing and cutting solutions. These two systems add creativity to the production of signs and display graphics, while maintaining Mimaki's signature affordability and ease of use, says the company.

Mimaki also introduces a new environmentally friendly ink, LUS-170, which is guaranteed to ensure vibrant, eye-catching print results. These new printing and cutting systems, representing the future of sign and display graphics production, are expected to be available for customers in the fourth quarter of 2017.

"The UCJV Series is available in two models; the four colour UCJV150-160 and the UCJV300-160 that can accommodate up to seven ink colours in cost effective one litre bottles," says Ronald Van den Broek, General Manager Sales at Mimaki Europe. "Each can produce a wide variety of print and cut applications offered by many signage, commercial and packaging print service providers. LED UV curing technology enables PSPs to utilise an expanded range of materials including uncoated print media; and many thin film substrates that may be too heat sensitive for latex or solvent high heat fixation systems."

Mimaki's exclusive distributor is Hybrid Services, whose National Sales Manager, John de la Roche said: "This new printer/cutter really does define the future of sign and graphics production; the application opportunities are endless and creative professionals will reap enormous benefit."

One graphic - two views

A new feature on the UCJV300-160 is the four-layer day / night printing, which offers an enhanced print capability that allows designers to build layered, transformative graphics for backlit applications. "It's possible to produce a dynamic graphic that morphs its image or colour scheme depending on the light source - a distinctive capability that enables print companies to produce high impact, high margin output while maintaining low operational costs and reduced production time," says John.

Integrated cutting

The new UCJV Series features integrated cutting functionality that can deliver volume production of labels, decals, window clings, floor graphics, POP displays and vehicle markings in a single unit. UV ink technology also prevents common problems such as film separation and other issues related to post-cutting that can occur with solvent and latex inks, says the company. Prints from the Mimaki UCJV Series are instantly cured at even the highest production speeds, allowing users to print rapidly and immediately move to the finished product.

Adding value with white ink

Combining white and coloured inks on the UCJV300-160 model adds value to applications that use transparent or semi-opaque films. Compared to alternative inks such as solvent and latex, UV-curable inks deliver greater opacity with less ink consumption per square metre of coverage, while maintaining image vibrancy and density. High opacity white ink also facilitates block-out printing within a single print, to easily and efficiently create window graphics that can be viewed differently from either side, such as a 'push / pull' door sign.

New RasterLink6 plus RIP software

The new UCJV Series printers will ship with updated RasterLink6 plus RIP software. This new, feature-rich version of the Mimaki RasterLink RIP software includes an ID Cut function to make printing and cutting easier and faster. The barcode, read by the registration mark sensor on the UCJV printer/cutter, contains cutting and rotation information allowing the UCJV to automate the cutting process. This function is particularly useful when running nested print-cut jobs, as the cutter continuously reads the data for both single and combined jobs.

Mimaki RasterLink6 plus software also includes a FineCut plug-in for Adobe Illustrator, allowing a print preview for four-layer printing that enables operators to preview the transition day / night effect before printing. RasterLink6 plus now also supports PDF 1.5 and above.

Core technologies

The new UCJV Series printer/cutters feature a range of Mimaki Core Technologies, such as their Advanced Pass System 4 (MAPS4), which uses an advanced algorithm pattern to reduce visible banding.

Mimaki Circulation Technology (MCT) continuously agitates the white inks to prevent settling. Two features; Nozzle Check Unit (NCU) which monitors nozzle outages and automatically activates a series of recovery functions; and Nozzle Recovery System (NRS) which automatically assigns operational nozzles when an outage is detected, ensure "optimum print quality is maintained".

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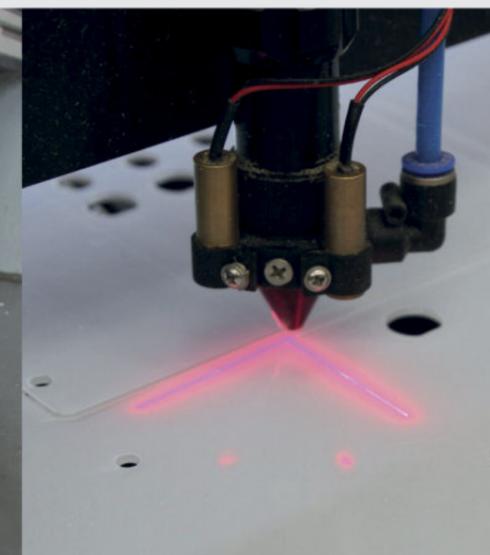
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Soyang Europe launches new textile range

Soyang Europe has announced a new range of HP Latex certified textiles that leverage the most from the printer manufacturer's latest latex ink set. All the new fabrics pass ISO 105-X12 test for dry rubbing, so prints are vibrant and sharp and robust enough for use in soft signage applications, says the company.



The new range of HP latex certified textiles

The opportunities for printed textile continue to grow, so this is a substantial user base that can now enjoy great potential for incremental business with the new fabrics

The entire range of fabrics is manufactured in Germany by Aurich Textilien and, as the company's exclusive UK and Ireland distributor, Soyang Europe holds stock centrally for next day delivery. The range comprises a variety of products, such as Supernova knitted backlit; DigiFascination lightweight woven fabric; DigiPanorama 250g high quality display

fabric; and the lightweight DigiCompetition display fabric that's ideal for stretch frame systems. All benefit from FR rating and thanks to the innovative preparation, are suitable for sewing, finishing and transporting without noticeable loss of image quality, change in gloss or mark off.

"HP and Aurich have worked jointly to optimise this range of fabrics to achieve

the best latex ink adhesion. Thanks to the unique finishing agent, print companies with the latest generation HP Latex printers will see significant benefits," says Soyang Europe managing director, Mark Mashiter. "The opportunities for printed textile continue to grow, so this is a substantial user base that can now enjoy great potential for incremental business with the new fabrics."

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Spandex has added PerfectApply technology to 18 of the most popular coloured vinyls in its ImagePerfect 5700 High Performance range, including black and white matt.

PerfectApply technology allows for greater levels of repositionability and air egress during application, resulting in faster, easier and bubble-free installation, without the need for bubble piercing tools thereby eliminating potential damage to the substrate, says the company.

ImagePerfect 5700 High Performance vinyl is suitable for both indoor and outdoor signage, with up to eight-year durability. The product boasts a high degree of UV stability making it ideal for vehicle graphics, directional signage, promotional displays and window graphics. It also carries a B1 fire rating and is available in black and white gloss and matt, clear gloss and matt and 72 gloss colours.

Steve Jacques, ImagePerfect Product Manager, said: "Adding PerfectApply to our ImagePerfect 5700 vinyl range allows for an easier and more cost-effective installation process for signage and



PerfectApply technology allows vinyl to be repositioned so installation is easier, according to Spandex

graphics professionals. The technology eliminates bubbles and wrinkles, so provides a much more user-friendly installation. This will add value and credibility for anybody using the product; but especially so in the case of larger applications such as fleet graphics and other large-format displays. We've started

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3M™ Metalised Conspicuity Markings Series 943, is a high visibility tape for application on rigid-sided vehicles, enabling them to be seen up to nine seconds earlier than unmarked vehicles. This allows for considerably longer reaction times and reduces roadway casualties, says the company.

Constructed for enhanced durability, the 3M™ Metalised Conspicuity Markings Series 943, retains its colour, appearance and brightness and is backed by 3M's five-year warranty.

From advanced adhesives to retroreflective prismatic lenses, 3M™ Conspicuity Markings Series 943, is a result of more than 75 years of scientific collaboration, making this new product easy to apply. It also exceeds regulations and guidelines set out in UK roadway legislation.

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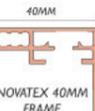
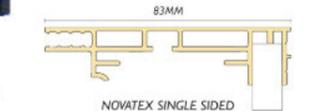
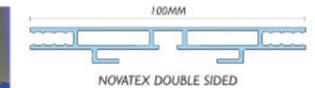
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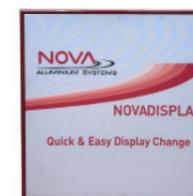
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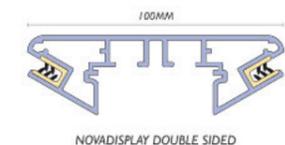
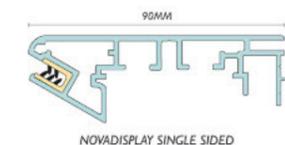
NOVATEX

NovaTex ticks all the boxes for displaying the vibrant graphics available when using textile signage. The range of profiles are good for housing images up to 3m square and are all constructed with a screw free appearance. All use the 'passive wedge' method for self-tensioning offering frameless stunning visuals.



NOVADISPLAY

NovaDisplay works with a gripper system which removes the need for any face preparation. Images are pushed into its channel using the installation tool provided giving wrinkle free images every time. The system's 'soft nose' design gives a friendlier visual of the display box and is constructed with a screw free appearance. At 90mm the single sided option can be surfaced mounted whilst the double sided profile at 100mm allows for both free standing and hanging applications.



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Mimaki LA Series heat-assisted laminators and film

Mimaki has announced the new LA Series of wide format, heat-assisted laminators and laminating film to complement the new Mimaki UCJV Series LED UV printer/cutters.

Key features

Heat-assist provides superior finishing
LA Series laminators are heat-assisted devices with a maximum temperature of 60°C. This heat assistance improves overlaminating film adhesion, particularly to surfaces printed with UV-curable inks; and reduces the potential for the silvery effect created by pressure sensitive overlaminates. Due to instant curing, UV inks tend to have a slightly uneven surface which can trap air bubbles during the laminating process, causing silvery specs that can take away from the appearance of the product.

Fast throughput speeds

Laminating speeds of up to 7.5m per minute means that the finishing can keep up with production and reduce bottlenecks.

Simple and reliable operation

The easy-to-use laminator includes all functions on one operation panel, with easy access to the pressure handle and foot pedal. A take-up reel also makes it simple for one person to control the entire process.

Mimaki Vision Laminate

Designed specifically for use with UV-curable inks and LA Series laminators, Mimaki Vision Laminate 310 (Gloss) film offers fine finishing with a glossy feel while maintaining the colour brightness of the print. This high quality, heat assisted overlaminating is also a cost-effective alternative to cold laminating films.



The new LA Series heat-assisted laminator from Mimaki

This complete, harmonised solution ensures reliable performance and quality output for those times when a protective overlaminating is required

Availability

LA Series laminators and films are expected to be available towards the end of 2017. Two models will be available: the 158cm LA-160W model and the 170cm LA-170W model. Mimaki Vision Laminate 310 will also be available in two sizes: 310-137 (137cm) and 310-152 (152cm).

"LA Series laminators with Mimaki Vision Laminate film will be the ideal companions to a UCJV Series LED UV printer/cutter," says John de la Roche of Mimaki's UK & Ireland distributor, Hybrid Services. "UCJV prints are instantly dry meaning they can immediately be finished on a LA Series laminator. This complete, harmonised solution ensures reliable performance and quality output for those times when a protective overlaminating is required."

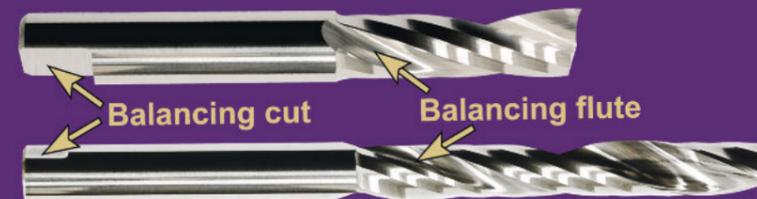
"Mimaki continues to bring innovative solutions to market that make it faster, easier and more cost-effective for sign & display graphics and other businesses to produce outstanding full-colour sign and display graphics," says Ronald Van den Broek of Mimaki Europe. "This laminating solution is another example of that innovation; and when paired with Mimaki's new UCJV series of print-and-cut solutions, provides a turnkey offering that will help companies drive more profit to their bottom lines."

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New 'wrappable' reflective film

William Smith has added an exciting new product to its growing range of 3M wrap films.

3M™ Scotchlite™ Print Wrap Film 780mC-10R is a wrappable reflective film with "slideability" and non-visible air release, for efficient installation and easier removal, says the company.

Engineered with wider retro-reflective viewing angles, the principal advancement lies in its increased conformability and heat-recovery properties.

Setting a new standard for reflective film innovation, Film 780mC-10R handles the rigorous vehicle wrapping process with little to no bruising and opens the door to a breadth of reflective vinyl applications, including textured wall and many different types of vehicles, according to the company.

"We're delighted to be able to offer our customers this brand-new option in the 3M™ wrap range," said William Smith's Head of Marketing, Chris Bradley.

"This multifaceted film enables installers to create dynamic graphics that offer brilliant brand visibility and safety with a daytime sparkle or night-time shine.

"With a nine-year expected performance life, the product can be used on a multitude of vehicle types, including buses, trams, trains, cars, vans, trucks or trailers, and will be stocked in a standard 1,220mm by 45.72m roll; making it a great addition to our already extensive range."

Part of William Smith Group 1832, William Smith is a trade supplier to the sign and

graphics industry and offers one of the largest self-adhesive material supply services in the UK.

The new 3M™ Scotchlite™ Print Wrap Film 780mC-10R, is available to order now from William Smith.

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3M™ Scotchlite™ Print Wrap Film 780mC-10R

The Tail-Light series grows!

APA, who provide "original and innovative customised solutions which cover an infinite range of possibilities", have launched the latest in their Cast Extra Clear range.

Tail-Light, the "latest generation" of films for tinting a car's rear lights, widens its range with a new shade: dark grey, which complements its existing lighter version.

The ultra-transparent, extra-shine cast film has been designed to customise and protect car lights. Thanks to its "easy-to-use conformability", Tail-Light is also suitable for covering smaller surfaces, such as the polycarbonate windshields of motorbikes.

The film is water applicable, a feature that ensures its proper application, says APA.

Tail-Light has obtained B-S2-D0 fire resistance classification, but it is not certified for road use. So it is suited for display, off road and track cars, "endowing the vehicle with an aggressive and sporty look without compromising light visibility".

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Photos show the film being applied, and the appearance after

How photoluminescent safety signs save money and lives

Since the introduction of the Safety Signs and Signals Regulations in 1996, there has been a downward trend in the number of fatal work-related injuries. In 1996 there were 0.9 fatal injuries per every 100,000 workers, in 2017 the figure is 0.4 (www.hse.gov.uk/statistics/fatals.htm). The development in modern signage has helped save lives and reduce injuries in and around the work place, says Stocksigns.

Stocksigns, with over 60 years of experience, has worked with businesses to provide the latest and safest signage solutions. One of these solutions is photoluminescent signage.

Photoluminescence occurs when a material absorbs photons (light energy) and emits them when the light source is removed. This is commonly seen in 'glow-in-the-dark' objects such as children's toys.

When this is applied to safety signs it helps provide guidance in darkened conditions.

Danny Adamson, Managing Director at Stocksigns Group said: "Photoluminescent signs do not require electrical illumination. In the event of emergency situations, such as power cuts, structural shock and falling debris, they are more reliable than electrical signs and help guide people to safety. We have also created floor signs and tapes to aid wayfinding during these emergency evacuations.

"Signs such as these have a lifespan of up to 25 years when used indoors. As they are maintenance free there is no need for costly regular testing regimes associated with ensuring the correct functionality of electrical signs.

"The eco-friendly signs help reduce the

carbon footprint of businesses and corporations. Enterprises will have different requirements for their signage and some may choose to use electrical signage. However, having fire exit and hazard signs lit 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, they will contribute to the fuel costs of a company. A photoluminescent sign only needs a good source of light to work."

Often recognised as best practice in the UK, photoluminescent sign systems have also been adopted throughout the EU and USA. Stocksigns Group's expert survey and installation team provides guidance to businesses with advice surrounding sign placement, legal requirements and best sign practice.

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APA's new reflective adhesive film



APA have launched their latest product called AP/K190, a "new generation" reflective self-adhesive vinyl, which adds to their range of printable films.

AP/K190 combines high-quality materials and state-of-the-art technology, that can be printed with solvent, UV and latex inks, says the company. It is described as ideally suited to short-term applications on flat surfaces such as signs, billboards and labels. "Excellent film printability ensures outstanding covering power and brightness with vibrant, vivid and defined colours, even on dark backgrounds", says APA.

A spokesperson said: "This is an innovative product bound to revolutionise short-term decoration; designed to ensure extreme ease of installation, and developed in compliance with the highest market benchmarks and the most stringent UNI standards."

www.apaspa.com

NovaSlat

Aluminium specialist Nova Aluminium have a new internal directory system called NovaSlat, which the company describes as a "system like no other".

A unique, extruded, aluminium sign system with minimum components that allows for maximum wayfinding opportunities, according to them. The design of NovaSlat allows the planks to lock together by simply reversing the profile and locking them together. The planks locate precisely to become both a backplate and faceplate.

This makes sure there is no waste as any off cuts are used as backplate for future projects. NovaSlat can be surface mounted, projected and suspended and the system is complemented by the use of an innovative magnetic end cap. Slats are available in five depths measuring 40mm, 60mm, 80mm, 100mm and 150mm.

NovaSlat has been designed to be used for wall mounted architectural signage, door name panels and suspended directory signage.

Features:

- * Minimum components
- * Simple fabrication
- * No visible fixings
- * Slimline appearance
- * Simple plank change
- * All aluminium system
- * Minimum waste

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Standout signage!

Sue Mason talks with built-up lettering experts to find out more about the different types of lettering available, what they specialise in, what goes into making these impressive signs and who they can benefit. This is what they had to say:



Andy Armitage, head of signage sales at Applelec

Can you tell us about Applelec's Premium Built-Up Metal Letters range?

It's one of our best-selling ranges; it provides a versatile choice for both internal and external signage in a wide range of materials and finishes. Available in stainless steel, brass, copper and

titanium coated stainless steel, the range features a total of 26 different finishes to suit the practical and aesthetic requirements of each signage project.

The Premium range is created using a specialised production technique whereby the letter's soldered edge, where the letter face is joined to the return, is first filed and then highly polished. The method creates a continuous soldered seam which eliminates all sharp points, delivering a letter that is smooth to the touch.

Due to the smooth finish of the letters, the range can be selected for eye-level interior applications such as point of sale or for reception and lift areas. The range is available in some of the smallest size options on the market with letters and logos possible at just 50mm in height or with 6mm returns or stroke widths as narrow as 3mm.

The range of metals and corresponding finishes available within the Premium range provide a wide choice of options for various project scenarios. Stainless steel letters can be painted to adhere to a brand or project colour scheme, whilst

brass and copper letters are particularly suited to heritage and listed buildings. For exterior applications, gold titanium offers an attractive and more hardwearing alternative to brass whilst bronze titanium can provide a similar alternative to copper.

Distressed style lettering is currently incredibly popular across sectors including retail, leisure and hospitality. For customers wanting built-up metal lettering with an imperfect look or aged patina, the Premium range can help achieve a specific style of decay. From oxidised brass to green or blue copper Verdigris, the Premium Metal letter range takes the guesswork out of specifying an aged metal look that can be open to wide interpretation.

The Premium built-up letter range can be supplied as individual letters or used within larger fabricated signage systems, including totems, projecting and fascia signs, manufactured by Applelec. Halo illumination can also be added from our stocked range of LED modules and a range of fixings are available dependent on installation requirements.



Applelec Premium Metal Built-Up Letters

Impact 3D Signs

What does Impact 3D Signs specialise in?

We are built-up letter specialists, who offer a bespoke trade-only service and have been doing so for the past 25 years. During this time we have successfully adapted to the changes that have taken place in the signage industry and have gained valuable experience and knowledge, that we are now pleased to pass on to our clients. We work closely with them to provide the most cost effective solutions possible and offer tailored advice on any design concept, from 15ft birds, an illuminated giant 'K' for a rock band, to hanging goat heads on chains; we are more than familiar with the unusual. Our signage has even been featured in history museums and our latest one in a dungeon. We can build up from our tiniest 1" letter to anything's possible.



Boxed in floating LOVE with cabochons. Hiding the wiring took a little working out, but with a little teamwork from Impact 3D Signs' specialists it was soon solved.

What types of materials do you use?

Working with a range of materials including 316 Marine Grade stainless steel as standard, aluminium, Perspex and brass, we can achieve complex designs. Our stainless steel finishes come in brushed, mirror polished, gold, black and chrome. Perspex comes in a wide range of colours and brass in satin or polished. We also offer specialist powder coating effects. We love illuminated letters and provide LED installation. Alongside our LED supplier we can offer the very best advice to maximise the impact of any project and make it stand out from the crowd.



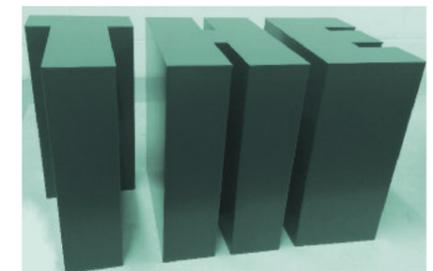
Kevin Washbourne, Managing Director and owner of Impact 3D Signs for over 25 years

How do you stay ahead of the latest trends?

Listening to our clients' needs, we have become adaptable to current trends and apart from commercial signage, we have worked alongside wedding/event planners and graphic designers facing new challenges. For example, when asked if we could make and stack 'Mr & Mrs' 5ft built-up letters, with our specially designed Perspex stands to stabilise them, it was easy. We have produced a wide range of unique custom made signage to varying markets, from well-known high street names to luxury boats. We see ourselves continuing to do this in the future, keeping up with the latest branding/design concepts.



Going up in flames. Can you really aqua graphic a built-up aluminium letter? Impact 3D Signs' test sample shows it can be done and this is the end result



Pushing THE definition of 'built-up letter' boundaries to the limit. Impact 3D Signs' clients are very creative and often ask them to problem solve. In this instance, they were asked 'how high can we go?' Is a 500 mm return high enough?

"Our most popular built-up word is 'LOVE', whether it's floating in mid-air or in giant 5ft HINDI script, we have seen a lot of love over the years."

BUILT-UP LETTERS Feature

GT Grafix



Gary Threlkeld, MD, GT Grafix Ltd

How did GT Grafix get into built-up lettering?

The business currently works out of an 8,000 square feet industrial unit in Manchester, but began life over 20 years ago as a "one man band" from a tiny high street shop in Hyde, Cheshire. Its bread and butter were all the usual things you would associate with the sign business such as vehicle signs, vinyl lettering, A boards and window graphics. The business grew in size but I craved the kind of work that sets a sign company apart from its competition. I wanted to be able to manufacture, and become a trade supplier of, metal built-up letters; I needed the machinery and the knowledge which would enable me to achieve this goal.

The first item on the shopping list was an 8'x4' CNC router to allow the company to



The company's automatic letter bending machine



Powder coated stainless steel letters

cut a variety of materials but mostly this machine was purchased for use in cutting acrylic and Foamex for letter faces and

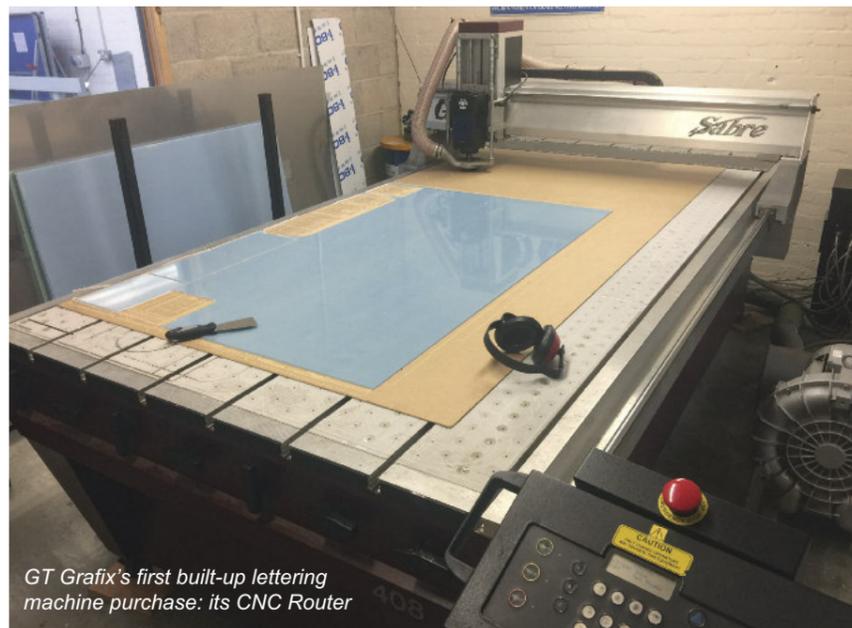
backtrays. Next came the 10'x5' water-jet cutting machine. This colossus of a machine was bought so that the company could cut all materials including stainless steel and aluminium from sheet material. The next thing on the list was a fully automatic letter bending machine. This incredible piece of equipment allows for the automatic bending of the returns in both small and large letters from a vector file. To complete the collection, the company needed a way to fix the face or the rim to the return; for this a laser welder was procured.

Which material do you tend to work with the most?

The company possesses the hardware and the knowledge to make illuminated (or not) metal built-up letters in a variety of materials. The most popular material is stainless steel that can be polished, brushed or powder coated to an RAL colour. Face illumination is achieved with the use of LED modules on our 'rim and return' letters.

How do you think built-up lettering in the UK measures up against lettering in other countries?

I believe the use of metal built-up letters in the UK is still very much behind the US and Europe. When travelling, I have noticed that the use of illuminated built-up letters is very common in the US and on the continent but not so much here in the UK (shopping malls aside). But with the introduction of lower cost hardware, we should see a wider use of this kind of signage in the future.



GT Grafix's first built-up lettering machine purchase: its CNC Router

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Centre Signs

Trevor Cockbill, Managing Director of Centre Signs (UK) Ltd talks to Sign Update:

Centre Signs (UK) Ltd is a leading trade manufacturer of built-up and flat cut stainless steel lettering in the UK. Not only do we have an extensive UK client base, we service international and European customers.

Our stainless 3D letters are generally in the forms of solid faced letters or rim and return letters with Perspex faces, however due to the extensive development of LEDS we can now offer rimless lettering with Perspex faces and open faced letters that are ready to take Cabochon bulbs.

The following CSL built-up lettering table shows the types of finishes that are available in just some of the ranges we provide:



Solid faced, brushed stainless steel



Polished stainless steel rim and trim

Letter Fabrication	Finish
Stainless Steel	Mirror polished Brushed Satin-coloured titanium
Titanium Polished	finish as standard Hairline option Brushed option
If a special colour finish is required, we offer a stove enamelled (painted) finish to match standard RAL or Pantone colours.	
All can be made with deep returns, ready for illumination with neon or with shallower returns for illumination with LEDS, depending on your job specification.	

Combining steels from any of the above ranges gives sign companies, designers and architects a larger palette to work with. This makes sure the end client gets what they want: an eye-catching sign that blends all the latest materials with stunning designs and the quality that only CSL can provide.



Solid faced, polished stainless steel letters, premier range, blended edges

With over 1,000 in-house fonts or any corporate font you wish to supply to us, the variations are endless.

All lettering can be made traditionally: forming the returns by hand and then soldering them to the faces. We also offer the service for larger roll out programs or higher volumes of letter work, using the latest forming techniques. The quality that CSL is known for means you can enjoy complete peace of mind.

What is the most popular style?

Rimless lettering is the latest style that is proving to be very popular with sign companies and designers. An acrylic face

“With over 1,000 in house fonts or any corporate font you wish to supply to us, the variations are endless.”

with a stainless steel return is bonded into a rebate or groove, combining the installation of LEDS on a backtray; thus enabling face illumination only without the normal face rim.

Lettering can be as small as 100mm high, capitals and font depending, or as large as 750mm; for larger lettering we normally recommend that the more traditional style of rim and return is used, due to the expansion and contraction of the acrylic faces.

The letter faces themselves must be able to transmit the light from the LEDS and we always advise the use of coloured LEDS for coloured faces to avoid “spotting”.

What makes your premier range special?

Our premier range of lettering is solely made from polished stainless steel, Marine Grade 316; it has class from every angle and takes 3D lettering to new heights.

The blended style makes the letter appear as if it has been moulded from a single sheet of stainless steel; it is handmade in our own factory by highly trained craftsmen. The lettering is without any sharp edges yet retains the original font.

Starting from 75mm upwards, adding backtrays and LED illumination makes the lettering become something extra special. Available with the traditional opal backtray or with our very own LUMA style backtray with LEDS for that extra touch of class, our premier range will most certainly distinguish your company from the crowd.

Tell us more about LUMA™

CSL have a new development in illuminated stainless steel lettering, made exclusively by us in Leicester, introducing the new concept LUMA™

No longer are the backtrays hidden inside the letters with large visible screw heads; now the backtrays are fully visible and the letter returns are now “flush” with the edges of the backtrays, enabling halo and edge lit illumination at the same time, hence “LUMA”.

This new and exclusive approach to both halo and edge lit letters currently using white, blue or red LEDS for effective and distinctive signage is a winner for all architects, designers and signmakers. It is ideal for retail, POS, marketing and



Aluminium deep trough letters powdercoated silver red perspex faces

marketing suites, reception and conference areas and bespoke interior concepts.

As with all of our lettering, the faces and returns are of the highest quality from reputable stainless stockholders, and traditional yellow metals, brass and copper, are also available. The main styles/fonts can be manufactured, as can bespoke and corporate fonts.

Do you manufacture folded trays and back panels?

Folded trays and fascias, double and single-sided circular sign cases or unusual bespoke designs, we can fabricate to your specification using the best materials available.

Using our expertise and experience we can fabricate in the following materials:

Fascia trays	Fabrication
Stainless Steel	Mirror polished Brushed or satin Stove-enamelled (painted) Titanium coloured stainless
Aluminium	Powder coated Stove-enamelled
Circular sign cases from 300mm diameter to 4000mm, complete with wall brackets	
All can be fabricated with or without text cut into the faces. If you decide on text cut into the fascia we can also supply the Perspex push through letters and LEDS fitted onto the backtrays.	

Folded trays can be supplied as short or as long as you specify. Face joints, if required, will be mechanically fixed together from the backs; we will always advise you on available sheet sizes and jointing positions if required.

Should a client's budget be limited, we can offer the service of flat cut panels and shapes, again using the best quality aluminium or stainless steels available. The flat cut panels can range from directional road style signage to information plaques.



Polished stainless steel trims rim and return logo illuminated projecting sign

BUILT-UP LETTERS Feature

Indasol



Martin Sadler, Director, **INDASOL**

Could you tell us more about your SIGNBLOCK sign making solution?

When producing built-up letters, there are many different materials available. For example wood, metal, plastic and foam. All of these have their place, however they all come with limitations, such as cost, weight, exterior durability, shape design and so on. Well, with **INDASOL** SIGNBLOCK, the sky's the limit.

When we say the sky's the limit, we mean it. You can create 3D images and shapes using CAD and CNC technology, sand

blasting or even hand carving. Your customers can have unique designs and shapes created in a lightweight durable material and finished exactly as they want.

INDASOL SIGNBLOCK is a solid, lightweight yet extremely durable Heavy Duty Urethane Foam (HDU). It has a consistent structure throughout unlike other foams. It is very lightweight unlike wood/metal and once coated to your desired finish, it is extremely durable and resilient to the external elements.

INDASOL SIGNBLOCK can even be front face and halo lit offering a near neon appearance and once painted, SIGNBLOCK can be made to look like metal, wood, stone or plastic, with the added benefit of being easily repeatable on a CNC programme. All this as well as its key feature of being extremely lightweight which of course offers a health and safety benefit on larger installations.

Our customers who have used SIGNBLOCK have reported being able to produce bespoke and complex 3D shapes easily, obtaining an eye-catching finish; and with their own customers being so impressed, they have even changed other signage to SIGNBLOCK.

Supplied in 1m x 2m sheets, we can offer a range of thicknesses from as thin as

"Some of the striking results can be seen at several wildlife and adventure parks in the UK."

5mm through to 1m. Densities range from very low, right through to almost granite hardness. **INDASOL** SIGNBLOCK really is a revolutionary product and **INDASOL** offers all bonding, fixing and sealing products to help you create that extraordinary finished image.

You don't have to take our word for it. Walsall-based Redbox Signmakers is just one of the sign making businesses to choose our **INDASOL** SIGNBLOCK. This gave them freedom to create whatever shape and finish they needed and offered peace of mind that they will have a magnificent sign for many years to come.

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What makes built-up letters stand out? (Sorry about that, Kyle!)

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Which industries can benefit from built-up lettering?

Bold, brash and distinctive, the ever-increasing popularity of built-up letters, means this type of signage is becoming a



William Smith: lighting up the industry with their distinctive built-up lettering solutions

"Having manufactured signage since 1930, we use a wealth of experience, to manufacture custom signage solutions without limitations or restrictions."

unique and quirky texture to the overall sign. The application of digital prints or standard colour change, is also an offering for customers in addition to the usual powder coat appearance.

It really does depend on the individual customer's request, but here at Smith, you can be sure we'll find a solution, even if it does mean thinking outside the box. We live in a visual twenty-first century society, where you have to stand out and make an impact!

How do you manage both quantity and quality?

Designed to increase efficiency, we use a channel letter bender machine, a reliable piece of equipment aimed at speeding up the fabrication process. But we still rely heavily on our dedicated craftsmen; they are still needed to manipulate the extrusion once it has emerged and ensure the minute detailing is to exact specification.

The variations are endless. Having manufactured signage since 1930, we use a wealth of experience, to manufacture custom signage solutions without limitations or restrictions.

From cabochon lights, to signage wrapped in architectural films, or even comprising a distressed metal effect, built-up letters are a popular choice in our growing portfolio. Constantly emerging in a variety of sectors, this signage option is especially popular within the retail industry, and most commonly seen illuminating the great British high street.

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Graham Sweet Studios



Sion Sweet, Studio Manager, Graham Sweet Studios

What do you attribute the popularity of built-up lettering?

Our built-up polystyrene letters are proving popular at the moment as they make great props for all manner of displays and events. With the rise of the "selfie culture", there is an ever growing demand for large 3D letters and logos to be used as photo opportunities at events, with these photos being shared through all social media platforms.

Built-up polystyrene letters are far lighter and more easily transported compared to solid wood or metal letters of the same proportions. Our polystyrene letters can be finished with a wide range of materials, making them an attractive option for a number of our customers.

What built-up lettering projects have you done recently?

We worked on a built-up letter display for Campari Creates which was exhibited over 10 days in September at Granary Square, King's Cross in London. These spectacular 2m high patterned letters, were produced for Hot Pickle, a London-based marketing agency, for their client's event earlier this year.

The activation included a beautiful art installation build by Hot Pickle and was designed by Eley Kishimoto on behalf of Campari, bringing the spirit of Milan to London by showcasing two of Milan's greatest exports: Campari and creativity.

Which clients benefit from your built-up lettering range?

Our team at Graham Sweet Studios produce a wide range of display props, including letters such as these, commercial Christmas displays and more. Our clients include design agencies, sign companies, department stores, events companies and film companies.

Our studios are based in Cardiff, though the majority of our work goes to London and further afield. We were established in 1969 so our clients reap the benefits of our vast experience and the unwavering dependability we are synonymous with today.

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Transforming a sideline into a business

The Vinyl Guys chose Roland DG print and cut technology to launch their business into high quality, reliable production that "never fails to impress their customers".

The Vinyl Guys started their route to business success with just a PC and a small 60cm plotter cutter to produce graphics for friends as and when required. Anything larger than the size of the plotter, or that required print, had to be outsourced on demand.

Alex Liggett, Owner of The Vinyl Guys, said: "I started The Vinyl Guys business as a hobby three years ago, to meet the growing needs of friends in the motorsports sector. Initially, I outsourced all my printing whilst doing as much as I could with the plotter and cut vinyl at home."



The Vinyl Guys replica touring car wrap

It became clear that I needed to invest in a printer and bring all the work in-house

Alex said: "The printer has been pivotal in transforming my sideline enterprise into a profitable business. The difference now is unbelievable. I can print samples, test my artwork and turn work around faster, at a higher quality and at a lower cost. As soon as we installed our Roland, our profit margins grew by a significant amount overnight. Customers also noticed the difference in terms of quality, which meant I could be more creative and offer additional print services."

The SG Series printer also enabled Alex to expand what he could offer his customers, meet tight deadlines, and offer exciting custom work; as well as expand the types of product he can offer beyond the high-quality vinyl and vehicle wraps that they

are known for. After seeing how successful bringing their business in-house can be, The Vinyl Guys also bought a laminating system, allowing every stage of the vehicle wrap process to be completed in-house.

"As my customer-base grew, outsourcing printing proved to be time-consuming, expensive, and I had no control over the quality of the end-product. It became clear that I needed to invest in a printer and bring all the work in-house. I have used the SG-540 for banners and posters, but as our main areas of business are vehicle graphics and signage, 90 per cent of the time we are printing vinyl of some sort," says Alex.

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Alex Liggett proudly shows off his TrueVIS SG-540



The Vinyl Guys Roman Bathrooms wrap

Smoart meets artistic needs of increasing customers thanks to Roland DG

Nuneaton-based art and design specialist Smoart has invested in an additional Roland DG 3D milling machine to increase productivity, to support its work creating bespoke textured artwork for architectural installation and interior spaces. Founded in 2007 by artist Sandra Owens, Smoart designs and produces bespoke wall panel artwork pieces using a wide range of materials such as ceramics, wood, plaster, plastics and concrete.

The business invested in a new Roland DG MODELA MDX-50, to work alongside Smoart's existing MODELA MDX-40A 3D milling machine, for the rapid, yet precise, creation of "innovative, vibrant and contemporary" artwork. Sandra and her team use Roland DG's 3D milling machines for two purposes: firstly, to make prototypes for designs; and secondly, to

directly mill into materials, predominantly wood, to create wall panels. Sandra uses Rhino 3D software to design her work, combined with Picasoft's Mayka software, which translates her designs into a cut path.

Sandra first came across Roland DG technology when she was studying for an MA degree in Contemporary Crafts at Coventry University. She said: "I had a positive experience using the Roland DG MDX40a milling machine whilst at university; and it was a natural progression to continue with the technology when I started up my own business. I liked the simplicity of the tool and the very precise finish. Roland DG 3D milling machines are incredibly intuitive and straightforward to use."

Roland DG's benchtop MODELA MDX-50 mills an impressive variety of materials to produce models, moulds, jigs, parts, prototypes and more, with smooth surface detail. The Roland DG MDX-50 can produce large single objects or batch produce smaller multiple parts, making it ideal for a host of applications says the company. The MDX-40A benchtop CNC machine, which Smoart purchased in 2011, has a slightly smaller maximum work area, so Sandra tends to use this machine to mill smaller pieces of artwork.

Sandra said: "I needed the newer Roland DG Modela MDX-50 primarily to make larger pieces. The automatic tool changer



also meant that I did not have to wait around in between stages of jobs - and time is my most precious resource. The additional Roland DG milling machine has also increased my output of work so I can meet the demands of my ever-increasing customer base."

Both 3D milling machines were purchased from Patrick Thorn & Co., Roland DG UK Ltd.'s consultant for the range of Roland DG 3D products within the UK. "Patrick has been incredibly helpful; he really is the font of all knowledge when it comes to Roland! He's very friendly, helps to solve any issues I encounter, and makes suggestions on how I can improve the way I use the machines," says Sandra.

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Imaginators choose “super fast” Durst Technology

Large format digital print production company Imaginators is predicting at least a 20 per cent turnover increase in a year, with the purchase of Durst's largest digital printer. This was done following a £380,000 equipment finance loan from HSBC.

The new semi-automated Durst Rho 512R joins existing Durst technology already installed at Imaginators. The 512R is 5-metre wide digital printing machine that prints 10 times faster; and produces materials that are five times higher in quality (printing 350 square metres per hour in six colours at 800dpi.); than the technology this new 5m press replaces.

This has enabled the business to approach new clients in the retail and sports industries, as the new machine meets the demands of these new markets that require huge images printed at high resolution. It has also allowed the company to improve its services to its current client base, including some of the most iconic music festivals in the UK

including those for BBC, Glastonbury, Reading and Leeds festivals, V Festival, Wireless Festival and others together with retail brands Diesel, Alfred Dunhill and Marc Jacobs.

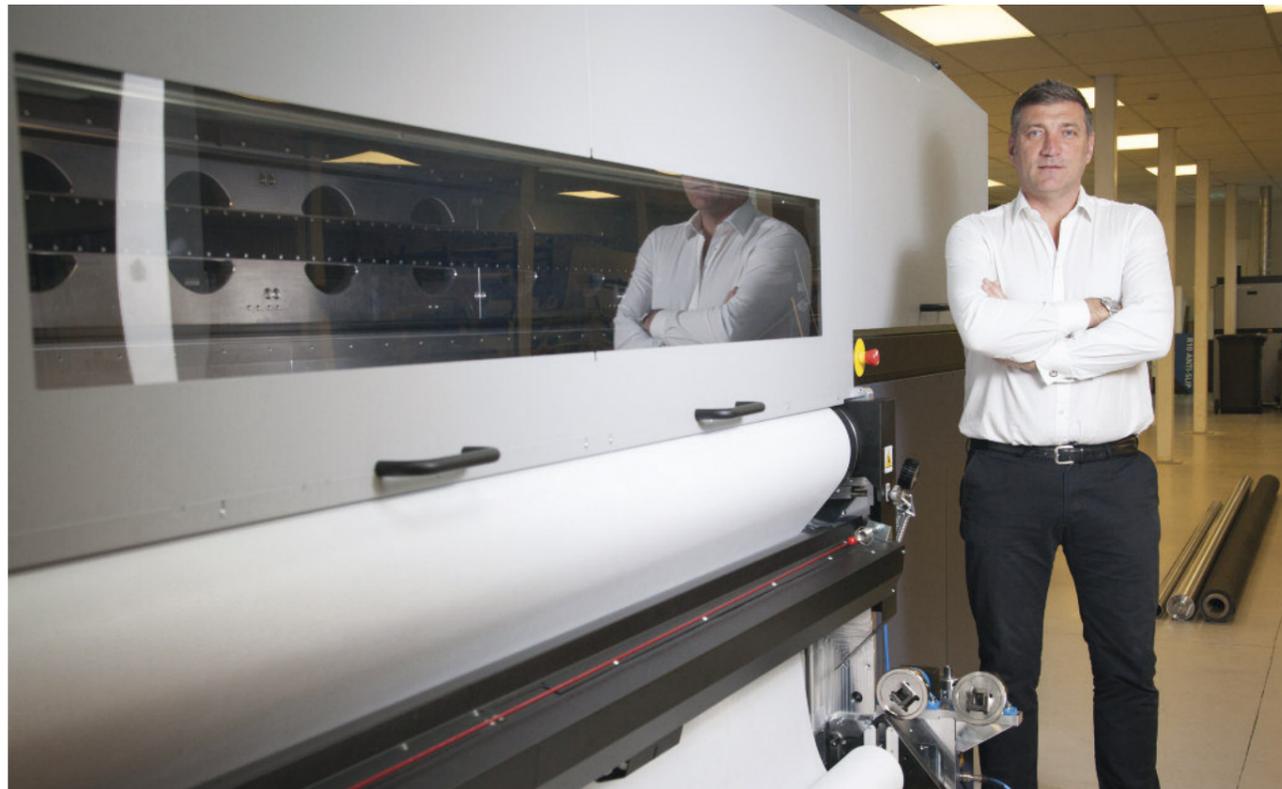
Imaginators, a family-owned business, prints and installs large format print for a huge variety of industries. These include stage branding for the music industry, music festivals, entertainment and live events, sports branding, exhibition, experiential marketing, retail and point of sale graphics, giant building wraps, property branding and outdoor advertising.

Matt Tydeman, Director and Founder Imaginators, said: “The Durst 512R is considered one of the best digital printing systems currently available worldwide with its unparalleled quality and incredible print speed. It has already had a huge positive impact on production schedules effectively improving production from one week to just one day. We can now produce festival stage sets, one most recently was 90

metres wide and joined seamlessly – within a week, thanks to the speed of the Durst. Previously it would have taken at least two weeks due to the complexity of printing and finishing.

“The success is already opening up further opportunities for high-resolution printing within our established business areas including event, retail and exhibition work, as well as for sports brands and their stadiums.”

Russell Marchant, HSBC's Area Director of Business Banking in East London, said: “HSBC has financed the last eight pieces of equipment for Imaginators over the past 12 years, with the last piece of equipment resulting in Imaginators winning a new client, Tottenham Hotspur Football Club, which is a fantastic achievement. The company is well established within its industry with some high profile, prominent clients and, with an ambitious business plan, Imaginators are well-placed to continue expanding.”



Matt Tydeman, Director and Founder of Imaginators, with the semi-automated Durst Rho 512R

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DYSS is “music to the ears” of festival promotions printer

Twenty Four Seven Design and Print Ltd. is a print and signage business that specialises in working with festival and concert promotion companies, to deliver a complete package for musicians and music events. Working closely with event organisers and promoters, they print everything from leaflets, general PoS products, safety banners and road signs, which can be finished on their new DYSS digital cutting system supplied by AG/CAD.

Formed in 1997, Twenty Four Seven started as a screen print business that evolved into litho and digital printing to keep abreast of new trends and technology. Company Director, Mr Alan Burton, said: “We are a solutions company offering turnkey packages to our client base. The core aim is to continually reduce costs for our customers. We do this by investing in the latest equipment and technology.”

Recent investment has included wide format Mimaki JV3 and JV33 roll printers; an Océ Arizona flatbed; an Océ ColorWave poster printer; and now a DYSS X7-1630 Superhead digital cutter from AG/CAD.

Alan said: “We recognised the onset of bespoke print projects, single source supply and more recently the requirement for a JIT supply chain. Customers were frequently asking for large format and diverse media types such as Perspex signage. The cutting of geometrically challenging Perspex, vinyl, card, foam boards and floor graphics was being subbed out, whilst we handled a lot of simpler hand cutting internally. The problem for our business was that both



Alan Burton With the 247 Print Team and DYSS X7

internal hand cutting and subcontract cutting were time consuming, creating bottlenecks and putting pressure on the workflow and JIT supply chain.

“We looked at a variety of digital cutters, but the DYSS X7-1630 Superhead machine from AG/CAD was robust and well priced, plus AG/CAD are also quite local to us. This gave us confidence that we’d have a solid, long-lasting machine and would get a high level of service from a local supplier, although we haven’t had any issues that have require this service yet. The machine, combined with the KASEMAKE software, made for an impressive package and enabled us see the potential business opportunities we could access with this type of system.”

The 3m by 1.6m bed on the DYSS has eliminated the reliance on subcontract cutting services, reduced lead-times and enhanced the quality of the products that Twenty Four Seven supplies. “Not only have we improved quality, consistency and precision of our products, we have significantly reduced the manual labour required for many jobs. The subcontract cutting costs and associated lead-times have been completely eliminated. In the short period of time that we have had the DYSS X7, at least 20 per cent of the investment in this system is already justified by the reduction in subcontract cutting costs,” says Alan.

Work for music concerts and shopping centres that was previously cut by hand is now processed on the DYSS. Alan said: “We recently completed graphics to fit on the elevator doors at the Liverpool 1 retail complex, the 14 elevator door graphics would have taken over 1.5 hours to cut by

hand, using the DYSS this labour-intensive task is completed in less than 15 minutes.”

On a roll with DYSS

The company specified the DYSS X7-1630 with the automatic roll feed and conveyor system. This provides a seamless transition of printed rolls from the Océ Arizona large format digital printer through the DYSS to finished product. The automatic roll feed and conveyor system on the X7 works in harmony with the K-CUT vision system to “guarantee unprecedented levels of precision” and parallel alignment when cutting rolls beyond the length of the machine bed. This automatic conveyor system is continually put to work at Twenty Four Seven with the company frequently printing and cutting batches of 30 plus banners that can vary from 8 by 2 foot through to longer banners.



Powerful DYSS Superhead in Action at 247 Print

An end to bottlenecks thanks to the ESKO Kongsberg C64

Oasis Graphic Co specialises in large format digital printing for exhibitions, live events, retail environments and workplace branding. They work with clients such as Wagamama, Nike and Sky, producing high-quality materials and working to tight deadlines is key to their success, says the company. Having an existing digital cutter, Oasis knew of the benefits that digital cutting brings to their business. After a thorough investigation of all CMYUK’s cutting solutions, they thought the Kongsberg C series gave the best performance and quality for both their rigid and roll materials.

Simon Osborne, Managing Director at Oasis, said: “Previously we suffered from bottlenecks on finishing so it was clear to us that this was an area we needed to invest in. CMYUK’s experience in the industry and knowledge of the individual devices was great. We decided to purchase the ESKO Kongsberg C64 which instantly made things more efficient and increased productivity. The high powered

4.2KW router spindle on the machine gives much more flexibility to us for materials that require routing.”

The Kongsberg C series machines are the fastest digital cutters on the market, says Esko. Cutting speeds of 100m/min allow even quicker finishing of a range of materials.

Listening to their requirements, we understood that they needed a fast, versatile and reliable machine to complete their finishing department, the Kongsberg C series delivers just that

The extensive range of tooling available also allows a wide range of material substrates to be finished on the same machine. It can handle rigid materials up to a dimension of 3,210mm wide by 3,200mm long; using the conveyor bed, roll media can theoretically be cut to an infinite length. The optional diamond polishing results in “immaculate” polished edges on acrylic materials.

The digital cutting machine was purchased through a CSAF agreement, which is the simple purchasing solution that CMYUK has developed with Paragon Bank Business Finance, offering competitive lending rates.

“We were delighted that Oasis decided to purchase the C Series machine from CMYUK. Listening to their requirements, we understood that they needed a fast, versatile and reliable machine to complete their finishing department, the Kongsberg C series delivers just that!” says Nick Reed, Esko Business Manager at CMYUK



The Kongsberg C series machines are the fastest digital cutters on the market, according to ESKO

Major step up for Source Graphics

Milton Keynes based Source Graphics have invested nearly £200,000 in some major equipment purchased from printing equipment specialist Josero.

Established in 2003, Source Graphics delivers a range of professional print services from exhibition stands, large format print, pop-up and roller banners to architectural shop fronts and illuminated signs.

With clients such as Emirates, Virgin Atlantic, Rightmove, the Ministry of Defence, Asahi and Mitsubishi, their investment will undoubtedly attract more clients to its portfolio.

The Source Graphics team went on a mission to research the best wide format production equipment on the market, after deciding to expand the business and bring more production facilities in-house to increase efficiencies and improve profitability.

As we'd worked with them in the past when we purchased a Bubble Free Applicator table, we trusted their technical knowledge of products on the market and knew they would provide us with reliable solutions for our business



Left: Russell Gage, Managing Director at Source Graphics and David Albertella, Director at Source Graphics.

David Albertella, Director of Source Graphics, said: "A flatbed cutting and routing machine was high on our list as it would enable us to cut out shapes on foamex, correx, dibond and cardboard, which make up the bulk of our production. Our main criteria was the build quality of the machine, as well as ensuring we would receive a good return on our investment. After much investigation we selected the Comagrav DIGI flatbed cutting and routing machine, which is manufactured by Comac in the Czech Republic, and distributed in the UK by Josero. The Comagrav DIGI goes beyond our original criteria by enabling us to produce high quality acrylic cutting and engraving too."

Source Graphics also wanted to purchase a UV printer, and after spending time with the Josero team who identified the right print engine for them, they chose the high

resolution Anapurna M2500i, a 2.5m wide hybrid UV machine from Agfa Graphics. The Anapurna M2500i allows the Source Graphics team to have a direct to substrate printing facility as well as increasing their print capacity.

Josero supplied the printer through their Agfa Partnership for approved second hand machines. The efficient installation was carried out by the Agfa team who also provided support and training plus a full year's warranty, which they would normally provide for new machines.

Steve Collins, Channel Manager for Agfa Graphic, said: "We're thrilled with Source Graphics' investment in the Anapurna M2500i. It's robust and reliable and offers a high throughput whilst achieving an excellent level of print quality. This is another step in our collaboration with Josero, where Agfa benefits from Josero's expertise to match a print engine to a client's requirements."

Russell Gage, Managing Director at Source Graphics said: "Loic Delor from Josero and his technical team offered us some fantastic advice on our investment. As we'd worked with them in the past when we purchased a Bubble Free Applicator table, we trusted their technical knowledge of products on the market and knew they would provide us with reliable solutions for our business. We weighed up productivity on numerous pieces of equipment and the greater capacity we would achieve, as well as the quality and reliability of the machines, which are fundamental to our business."

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WAE Group invests in second Longier

Quality Print Services (QPS) is set to install a second Longier grand format printer at WAE Group, two years after the sign specialist bought its first Longier Hunter FP-3750 LED.

The new investment is a Longier RU 3200 3.2m roll-to-roll printer, adapted to include a unit that lifts fabric material from the bed. This makes it ideal for printing mesh banners and Contra Vision graphics, work that WAE Group has secured more of since the first Longier printer was installed in 2015.

"We wanted both a dedicated flatbed and a dedicated roll-to-roll to avoid changeovers, as they can be time-consuming," says Paul Austin, Managing Director of Leeds-based WAE Group. "We have enough work to warrant the two machines."

The new Longier RU 3200 will replace an older 3.2m-wide printer that had come to the end of its working life; and they were finding replacement parts increasingly

expensive and difficult to source. WAE Group was also drawn to the more energy-efficient and environmentally friendly LED-curing system the UV Longier offered, which also leaves prints touch-dry immediately after printing to speed up the finishing process.

"LED is definitely the way to go over mercury lamps," says Paul. "We've decided to embrace the technology as and when we replace older machines, and expect to have a full suite of UV printers in the near future."

The WAE Group had not seen the new Longier machine in the flesh, but has found its existing printer from the brand, and the service and support it has received so reliable, that they trusted the recommendation of QPS's Managing Director Chris Bailey.

"We've never been let down by Chris before so we're fairly confident the new Longier is a good choice!" says Paul. "We got updated information and watched

some videos of the printer online, but didn't feel the need to have a full demonstration or to shop around."

Chris Bailey said: "We're big fans of Longier at QPS because they really are reliable workhorses that provide great printing quality, as WAE Group have discovered over the past two years. We were able to supply a roll-to-roll printer with a small alteration to make it perfect for WAE Group's specific requirement of printing mesh banners, but the UV-curing technology is suitable for a whole range of substrates and applications. They're brilliant machines and we're delighted to be a Longier supplier in the UK."

The new Longier RU 3200 3.2m roll-to-roll printer will join a number of other printers, five of which run Nazdar digital inks, also supplied by QPS.

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The new Longier will join WAE Group's existing Longier Hunter FP-3750 (pictured)

Fresh Graphics expands business with Roland DG

In 2009 Steve Laing launched his specialist branding and print services company, Fresh Graphics, after working in the print industry for over two decades.

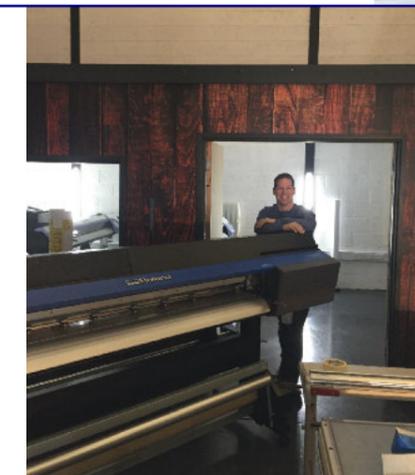
Steve recently invested in the newly launched TrueVIS VG-640 wide-format inkjet printer/cutter from Roland DG, a decision which has seen his business "soar to new levels of success". Steve purchased the machine to meet the increasing volume of work he was receiving, and he's not been disappointed.

He bought the machine from Roland DG certified dealer Sign+Digital who have Creative Centres in both Dublin and Antrim. Steve said: "I was instantly drawn to the TrueVIS VG-640 as it is a professional looking piece of equipment, and its performance didn't disappoint either. The TrueVIS could easily handle our increasing volumes of work with its

speed and accuracy, allowing us to deliver even quicker turnaround times for our customers. Even at such high speeds, we have never had a problem with the quality output of the TrueVIS, which is always 100 per cent spot on. We also stayed with Roland because of the training and support we received from Sign & Digital with our first two Roland VSi Machines.

Despite having had ambitions to start his own business for years, Steve's venture hasn't come without its challenges.

A technical issue with a competitor machine had cost his business a significant amount of money in ink waste and Steve knew it was time to explore alternative routes. In 2015, after being recommended the brand by a peer in the print industry, Steve booked an appointment to visit Sign+Digital's Extensive Creative Centre to find out more



Steve Laing, founder of Fresh Graphics and firm Roland DG fan

about the wide-format printer/cutters Roland DG had on offer. The TrueVIS is Steve's third piece of Roland equipment from them.

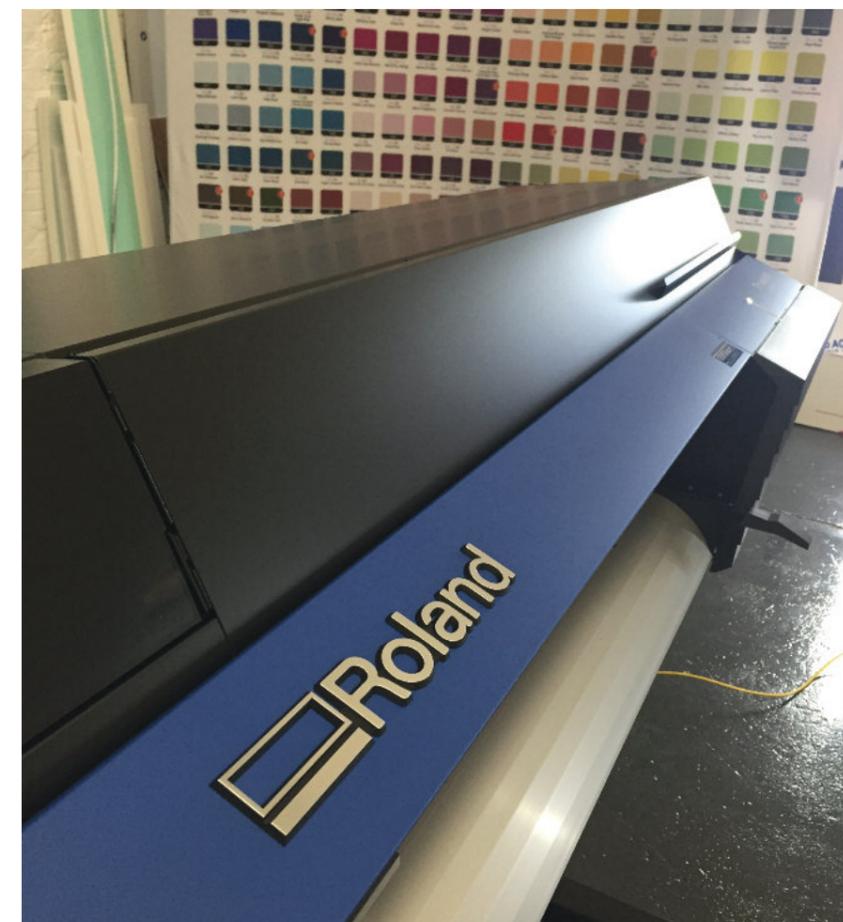
"My first impression of Roland DG was how solid and robust the machinery was. It didn't take long for me to realise the VersaCMM VSi Series was the ideal solution for me, its capabilities were beyond anything I had seen before. The amount of materials it could print on was impressive, and it opened my eyes to new possibilities that my business could exploit. I had started to see an increase in customer demand for wide-format prints and the VSi Series allowed us to start offering these products."

Instantly impressed with the VersaCMM VSi Series, Steve invested in not one but two machines in the form of the VS-540i and larger VS-640i model. The introduction of the printer/cutter meant that Steve could expand the products that Fresh Graphics could offer its customers, resulting in business growth.

"Before we invested in the Roland DG machines, we were mainly designing and producing business cards, posters and leaflets for businesses. The addition of the VS-540i and larger VS-640i has meant we now can produce wide-format prints. Jobs that we were previously turning down such as vehicle graphics, window graphics and signage, are now our main source of income thanks to the quicker turnaround times and higher profit-margins."

Less than a year after introducing the two Roland DG machines, Fresh Graphics began enjoying record sales having expanded into new, profitable markets.

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Fresh Graphics newest Roland DG machine: a TrueVis wide format printer/cutter

Fantasy Prints invests in new EFI VUTEK GS2000LX Pro to manage growth

Fantasy Prints combines the latest technology and materials with years of experience, resulting in state-of-the-art services that have sealed their place as a key player in the industry, says the company.

Offering a complete printing and signage solution means that "staying on top of the latest technology is key".

"Our investment in the new EFI VUTEK GS2000LX Pro from CMYUK allows us to provide innovative new products such as bespoke printed wallpaper and large format graphics. Our highly motivated team has the knowledge and experience to deliver superb printed communications, and now we have the market-leading industrial equipment to complement that," says Sarah McMorn, Managing Director at Fantasy Prints.



Fantasy Prints has invested in a new EFI VUTEK GS2000LX Pro to satisfy demand as they continue to grow as one of the UK's top suppliers of printing and signage solutions

We really like the way this training blended into live production on real jobs involving both our prepress and press team

Projects range from property development branding, corporate décor and event graphics, to retail display, personalised workwear and educational clothing.

Working across broad sectors and offering a diverse range of materials, Fantasy Prints is currently in the final stages of ISO9001 accreditation.

Fantasy Prints has worked with CMYUK for several years, making use of their expertise and consultancy services to develop and widen the applications they offer to customers by expanding their materials portfolio.

Enjoying significant growth within the large format division, continued investment in printing and finishing technology has been essential to make sure production

deadlines are met with the latest quality available. This EFI VUTEK printer offers industrial production at the highest quality, while also allowing organisations to print onto more environmentally-friendly materials resulting in a much lower carbon footprint.

Sarah said: "The installation and training from CMYUK was first class. We focused on three areas of implementation as key to success and ensuring smooth transition into production. We wanted to learn and become experts on the latest EFI technology, and available functionality. CMYUK provided superb application training on white ink, multi-layer, nest, print and cut workflows to ensure maximum efficiency. We really like the way this training blended into live production on real jobs involving both our prepress and press team."

Robin East from CMYUK said: "Fantasy Prints represents the modern face of printing in the UK, and this latest addition to their printing family will ensure they continue to stay top of their game in this highly-competitive, creative and forward-thinking sector."



Sarah McMorn, Managing Director at Fantasy Prints and Robin East, Group Director at CMYUK

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Projects & Print installs a second Agfa Anapurna

Projects & Print has acquired 11,500 sq feet of new premises in Tring; and invested in a new Anapurna RTR3200i LED 6-colour 3.2 metre-wide printer with Asanti workflow, to increase its production capabilities.

Projects & Print first invested in an Anapurna M2500i 6-colour hybrid printer in 2014. At that time the company was considering a move to larger premises. Although the search has taken a few years, the new premises in Tring is twice the size of the old and comfortably accommodates the 3.2 and 2.5 Anapurna printer, as well as a new cutter and other equipment.

The company is a trade supplier to agencies and designers providing a 24/7 nationwide service installing an extensive range of exhibition, display and signage to companies such as Network Rail, Samsung, Costa Coffee and the De Vere Hotel Group.

"Meeting the needs of our clients is our major priority, which has led to us growing organically, and each year we have made a significant investment back into our business," says Richard Barrett, Managing Director.

In the past few years the company has expanded its services producing building wraps for the construction industry as well as graphics and signage for interior design agencies.

"The Anapurna M2500 has been totally reliable producing quality results on rigid or flexible material. The new 3.2m RTR Anapurna has only just been installed but is already making a significant impact by



New larger premises in Tring.



(l to r) Richard Barrett and Chris Parker

increasing output. Its LED lights have a much longer working life and by managing every job we print, Asanti reduces costly mistakes before printing. Agfa has also made colour calibrations to our own requirements so we can print on either machine and achieve the same results," says Chris Parker, Operations Director.

Wide format solutions broaden horizons

Sign makers use a variety of digital printable media to produce a wide range of display and signage products, making increasing demands on suppliers. We asked a number of leading industry players how they see this market developing and how they can support their customers

Sign makers need to capitalise on some of the newest wide format print opportunities in today's fast evolving industry by expanding their capabilities and penetrating new and emerging market segments. However, in order to achieve that, they have to contend with an increasingly crowded market place and strong competition.

"As a company we serve a broad brush of industry sectors with digital printable media – in both roll and sheet format and sales are increasing at a steady pace," says Chris Green of Antalis. "Sign makers are investing in new machinery in order to meet the demands of an increasingly diversified market. They need to do something different to stand out from their competitors by becoming even better at what they do or by broadening their product/service offering."

At the same time, consumer demand is driving development of faster, more efficient solutions while innovative



Wide format flexible ferrous media from Anchor Magnets is an excellent product to create bold, vivid, interchangeable graphics displays

technologies are opening up new avenues for both customers and end-users. Greater demand for personalised print along with reduced turnaround times across the board means sign makers who can differentiate and branch out into new markets are set to benefit.

On the industrial side, printers are increasingly looking to win through increased efficiency and the production of print that can be installed by the customer/retailer themselves

"The market is splitting more than ever into high street (B2C) and industrial (B2B) sectors," according to Steve Broad, Drytac. "The traditional high street sign shop struggles to compete on the big contracts and the brand related work, with larger industrial print factories running ever bigger and ever faster equipment. We are seeing the smaller high street operation increasingly looking at ways to diversify and use their equipment to produce custom and one-off graphics."

"This low-volume personalised product which can be sold direct to the consumer market (at higher margins) is being sought to offset business lost to bigger industrial print operations. On the industrial side, printers are increasingly looking to win through increased efficiency and the production of print that can be installed by the customer/retailer themselves."

Soft signage

Progress in digital printing techniques has contributed to fabric and banner media enjoying a growth in the UK as Craig Brown, managing director of Signs Express explains: "Soft signage is still making excellent headway especially in Europe but we are seeing a growing interest in the UK. Advancements in digital printing technologies have enabled sign makers to easily adapt to the new media and offer enormous scope in both artistic license and varieties of substrates that can be used.

"Suppliers, especially those with a presence outside the UK, are making a concerted effort to bring soft signage products and techniques to the marketplace. For example, this year Spandex expanded its ImagePerfect portfolio to include seven new textiles for latex, solvent and UV printers.

"Although the UK market is behind the times in getting on board with this new trend, we are seeing an uplift in interest in interior office and commercial premises makeovers which involve a lot of custom wallpapers, decorative films and textured materials. This is perhaps indicative of the way the industry is moving."

Innotech distributes a broad range of digital print media for wide format up to 5m wide for a variety of markets including vinyls, banners and textiles. Marketing manager Kieran Dallow is optimistic for the future of this media:

"Soft signage is here to stay and we can expect a massive increase in the options available for more long term and



Suppliers like SignsExpress are making a concerted effort to bring soft signage products and techniques to market

demanding applications. With the rise in demand for temporary graphic solutions, printable magnet will become more popular."

An excellent example of forward-thinking suppliers is Amari Digital Supplies (ADS) who, in partnership with Amari Signs Display & Graphics, includes in its range of digitally printable textiles and fabrics the latest IMAGin Deco Silky and DecoFresco wall coverings from MACTac and the recently launched KernowJet Interiors wall covering product from Kernow Coatings. These are complemented by the latest addition to the Solvent Paper range of products from SIHL and the Mediatex range of products.

A white embossed non-woven textile, KernowJet Interiors features a specially treated and Bio-Pruf-certified topcoat that inhibits the formation of mold and mildew. It is HP Latex Inks-certified, has a Class 0

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fire rating to BS: 476 Parts 6/7, is EN 259-2-compliant and a lightfastness capability in accordance with the International Wool Scale BS/EN 20105/ISO 105 802 level seven of eight. In addition, the product is classified as a non-hazardous material to DIN 52900, based on ecological and safety assessments.

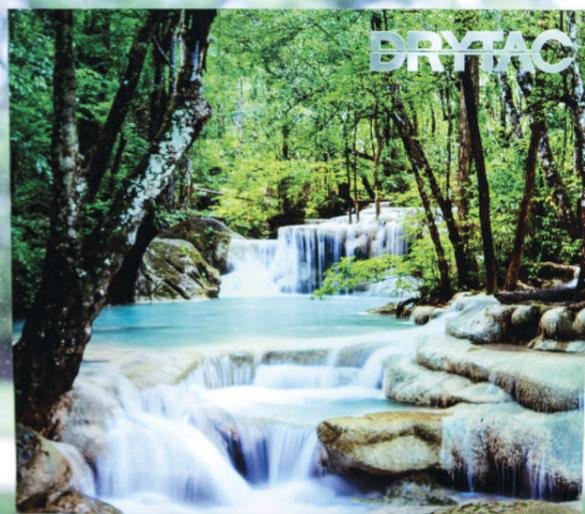
Magnetic and ferrous media

Increasing emphasis on wide format, flexible magnetic and ferrous sheet materials suitable for flat bed and roll-to-roll printing with options for UV, latex, solvent, eco solvent and screen techniques, have resulted from key developments in print finishing technologies.

"The European market for magnetic and ferrous media has changed over recent years," says Nils Hofmann, business development manager, Anchor Magnets.

"As the UK's largest stockholder of flexible magnetic and ferrous sheet material it was important for both the range of media we offer and our capabilities as a company to adapt to meet the changing needs of our customers in the UK and across the rest of Europe.

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Drytac products such as ViziPrint films for window graphics can be easily installed by the end-user



Alupanel A-Lite from Perspex Distribution has been specifically produced to give wide format printers a hassle-free experience

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"We've seen a steady rise in the number of clients who want their media supplied sheeted to size and ready to print with no further treatment required. Flexible magnetic sheet is typically used to create retail displays, POS, signage, indoor or outdoor displays and vehicle signs, making it a versatile material that can be used wherever an inherent ferrous surface such as steel is present. Alternatively, a ferrous surface can be created by applying plain-faced self-adhesive ferrous sheet to any smooth, flat or curved, non-porous surface."

Wide format flexible ferrous media is an excellent product from which to create bold, vivid, interchangeable graphics displays, making it particularly suited for use in the retail sector.

"We've seen a consistent rise in demand for digifilm since its introduction and it is proving to be a popular choice for printers and retailers alike thanks to the excellent print finish it provides and the vibrancy and clarity of images," says Hofman.

"Ferrous media is used in conjunction with a magnetic surface such as our plain faced self-adhesive supamag sheet which is applied to a smooth flat or curved non-porous surface and holds the printed ferrous media in place via its magnetic field. The thin nature of digifilm means additional layers can be added on top of one another without slipping, allowing displays to be quickly changed or updated with promotional messaging in seconds.



The 3454 PE 240 addition to the SIHL digitally printable range of solvent papers available from ADS provides high-definition and photographic-quality prints that are both water- and abrasion-resistant

In addition, supaferro ferro sheet is a much more substantial product best suited to creating printed or white faced visual planning boards and notice boards which can receive a variety of products including printed magnetic sheet or office magnets for visual planning and holding documents."

Rigid print media

Perspex Distribution has supplied rigid print substrates for almost 15 years and works with many of the UK's largest wide format printers. As the capability of print machinery evolves so does the scope and availability of specialist print substrates.

"As the UK manufacturers and suppliers of Perspex Cast Acrylic, we offer unrivalled access to the UK's largest range of cast acrylic available in hundreds of colours and effects all of which can be printed direct," says Luke Martin who emphasises the importance of ensuring a reliable supply chain.

"We work closely with our manufacturing partners Palram which produces Palight PVC Foam and Palsun Polycarbonate and Multipanel UK, the only UK producers of aluminium composite. This local supply chain ensures optimum quality control, as well as product innovation, supporting print strategies that demand reliable supply of quality substrates for end users."

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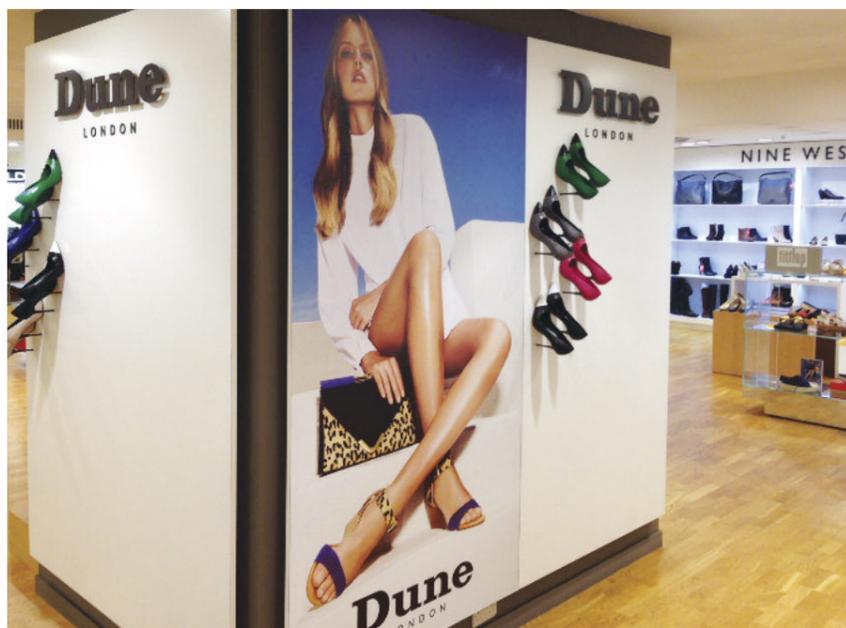
Aluminium composites

Producing media that the end-user wants, in terms of quality, choice and ease of use ensures they come back again and again.

"Huge developments have been made in recent years in the range of aluminium composite panels used widely in applications from hoarding boards and signage to exhibition stands and shop fitting," explains Luke Martin. "Alupanel A-Lite has been specifically produced to give wide format printers a hassle-free experience. It is clean, easy peel film and its smooth, flat surface ensure the print surface is pristine for print, while the specially developed digital surface ensures an improved ink adhesion and the brightest printed colours.

"Manufactured in the UK, it includes a superior core and aluminium grade providing increased rigidity while reducing the aluminium skin thickness. Innovation means a new addition to the range with a white core has been produced specifically for printed graphics requiring a neater exposed edge.

"Material innovation is being used to reduce print production processes. Multishield, for example, is a composite sheet with a galvanised steel skin to produce a panel, which is magnetically receptive and can be produced with both a digital print surface and a white board surface. Previously printers would need to laminate multiple layers to a rigid sheet to create a magnetic whiteboard surface costing them time and money, however this can now be eliminated.



digifilm from Anchor Magnets is available with a satin or matt finish and can be printed with UV, latex, solvent and eco-solvent inks via a flatbed or roll-to-roll process

"Perspex Distribution strives to keep ahead of the market and feed back issues faced by printers to their manufacturers so products can be developed that offer long-term performance. Static build-up - the bane of digital print - is something we have addressed with our lightweight Palight Print Anti-static Digital PVC Foam board. In addition, bright purple, easy-peel film provides pre-print surface protection and notably when printed it continues to repel static meaning the material stays cleaner for longer."

Easy repositioning

A further way to support customers is to provide media that are easy to use, install and remove - a vital part of delivering what sign makers need to remain competitive.

"Over the past few years Drytac has developed several easy to use products that work for both the consumer and the industrial markets," says Steve Broad.

"Products (such as ViziPrint films for window graphics and SpotOn and Retac) can all be easily installed by the end-user. These materials are aimed at increasing overall print efficiency; they have been engineered to be applied and removed multiple times with no loss of adhesion and no residue and can help the printer to literally ship product in a tube, allowing them to reduce costs to the customer and ultimately win more business."

ADS' KernowJet Interiors non-woven textile can be applied using standard heavy-duty PVA adhesives and purposely removed to leave no residue and with no surface damage. Tear-resistant, it can be liberally repositioned to ensure perfect registration with the substrate. Once applied, it will not expand or contract to ensure non-visible panel joints and can be cleaned using a mild detergent.

Furthermore, the 3454 PE 240 addition to the digitally printable range of Solvent Papers from SIHL (supplied by ADS) provides high-definition and photographic-quality prints that are both water- and abrasion-resistant.

"This product combines a dimensionally stable base material with a robust surface coating and claims a faster drying time compared with similar paper products, while its remarkable luminosity capability provides a superior colour brilliance and sheen," says ADS. The Mediatex range of digitally printable and PVC-free textiles has certified flame resistance in accordance with internationally recognised assessment standards. With a low ink consumption capability for enhanced cost effectiveness, these products are water-, stain- and tear-resistant with no creasing or curling in application.

In addition to product development, being able to compete in this crowded market means looking at smarter ways of adding value to a customer's investment, giving them something extra that will help them improve productivity in their business and remain loyal to a brand.

Sharing expertise

Businesses which are confident in their product, are more than happy to share information with customers, building loyalty and repeat business and this is clearly evident in the signage industry.

"In a growing market at Antalis we have the benefits of scale and regional distributors to be in a position to offer a product range to meet customer demand and tap into all possible areas," explains Chris Green. "In addition, we recognise the importance of customer loyalty and supporting them and our Digital Academy is a key component of this approach. We try to put ourselves into our customer's shoes and consider: what do they need to know, what kind of information and expertise should they have at their fingertips in order to offer the best service possible to their customers?"

"We continually review the number and type of course available. Non-product related, they address all kinds of business and technology issues and over the next 10 years we plan to set up academies in other countries; around 80% of our product is sourced from Europe."

This emphasis on sharing knowledge and expertise with customers is evident by Signs Express' approach to supporting customers.

"Education is a big focus for us currently; this includes informing our clients on what is achievable and what solutions are out there, as well as interacting with our

supply chain to get training in both new products and refreshing our knowledge on the old," explains Craig Brown.

"As their popularity has increased we have become experts in interior design, moving into bespoke printed and textured wallpapers, decorative films and signage that is unique and outside the norm. Our designers are very flexible and our teams have the knowledge required to tell clients the best way to create their desired effect."

Innotech has become a distributor for a clever piece of software for sign makers, providing a tool designed to further increase their efficiency and productivity.

"A big problem for most sign makers is the cost of estimating in the first place," says managing director Phil Walker. "Spike is an innovative estimating device that works off your smartphone, allows sign makers to go on site, take a photo and approximate measurements from the ground without the use of equipment such as cherry pickers or ladders and can estimate the job very fast.

"What it won't do is replace the actual measuring when you've got the job but it will give you an accurate estimate within a 3% error margin so you can quote with



Antalis produces a fully recyclable 100% cellulose sign and display board which unlike composite board does not have to go to landfill

Improving environmental responsibility starts with the design process at the point of selecting which media will be used

confidence. It will allow you to superimpose your graphic designs on the image so you can create a mock-up to go with your estimate. Software like this is a very powerful tool to help sign makers quote with great accuracy, keep their estimating costs down and present their companies in a professional way."

Environmental responsibility

Caring for the environment has in the past presented something of a challenge for the sign industry but as time goes on more and more excellent recyclable digital print media are available for many applications.

"Improving environmental responsibility starts with the design process at the point of selecting which media will be used," says Antalis' Chris Green. "We produce a fully recyclable 100% cellulose sign and display board for example, which unlike composite, does not have to go to landfill. We have to get the message across to our customers that this material is fit for purpose, it does the same job - but doesn't have to cost more. The fact that it is recyclable is a plus point, a revenue generator as there is an expense incurred by the end user if at the end of its life the board has to go to landfill. It ticks all the boxes in helping supplier, sign maker and end user to be environmentally responsible."

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ReTac materials have been engineered by Drytac to be applied and removed multiple times with no loss of adhesion and no residue, making them easy enough for end-user application and removal

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Innotech places much emphasis on its environmental responsibility as Kieran Dallow explains: "We are always looking for ways to introduce more environmentally friendly materials – which is why we've launched the Envirotech PVC-free range which is 100% recyclable."

Solvents, which have been heavily used by the sign industry, are becoming a thing of the past, thanks to the development of new and innovative products that do the job just as well, if not better.

"At Drytac we always look to satisfy the environmental issues that this industry has been criticised for, including PVC and solvents," comments Steve Broad. "Drytac Europe takes its responsibility toward the environment very seriously while still producing materials that can withstand heavy weather and different climates. We have made significant investments in our UK manufacturing facility to ensure that we and our suppliers comply with environmental regulations, which has led to many Drytac products being specified by high street retailers. For example, over the past few years we have introduced many PVC-free products including a line of ECO-friendly laminating films and PVC-free digital wallpapers in our DecorTac range of wall finishings.

Looking to the future

With Brexit in the news every day, and conflicting views on how it will affect UK industry, how is the uncertainty affecting the digital printable media sign-making sector?

"We take one day at a time," says Chris Green of Antalis. "As far as we are concerned, business will continue and we are ready for any eventuality with the aim of keeping supply chains open and moving. With a strong presence in Europe, South America and South Africa, we have a vested interest in making sure we can deliver what our customers want, when they want it."

And what of the end user – what will they be looking for in the next 5-10 years and how can suppliers meet those needs?

"We are seeing greater demand for bespoke products from many of our customers and we believe that this will continue," explains Drytac's Steve Broad. "Mass customisation is a trend that isn't going away regardless of the industry in which you operate. We have a creative team with great ideas but have found that many of the best ideas come from customers themselves. We listen to what's happening in the marketplace and work diligently to provide customers with unique products that give them an advantage in what is a highly competitive industry.

"We are a family-owned company that manufactures here in the UK and as such Brexit will have very little impact on our ability to respond quickly to our customers wants and needs. We believe that we're well positioned regardless of what happens on the political stage."

Keeping an eye on technological advancements will serve to keep the industry fresh and innovative as Craig Brown explains:

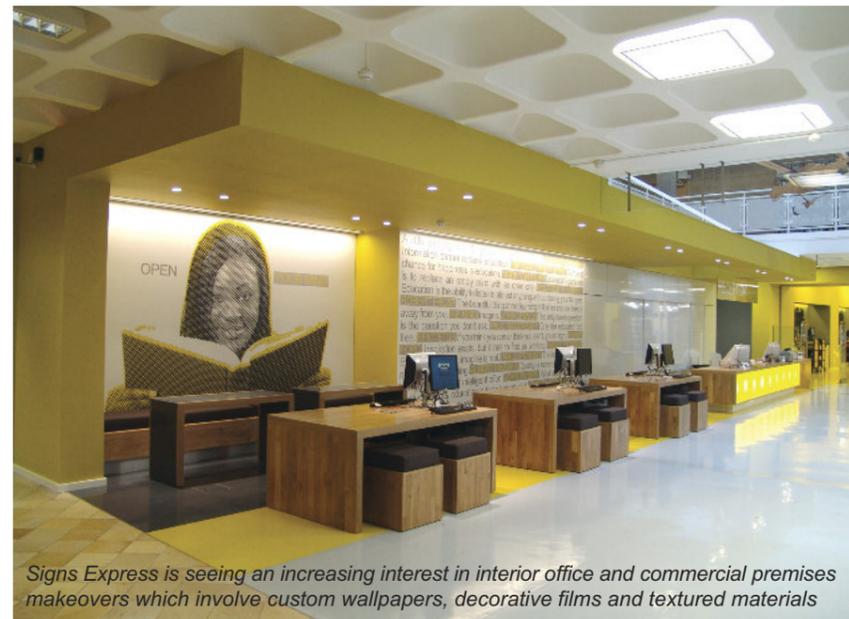
Sign makers are an inventive bunch and always find ways of using materials in unique ways that sometimes weren't the intention of the original producer.

"Signs Express will continue to grow as demand hasn't waned, even in light of the Brexit vote. We have ambitious targets for growing our network and seeing a real demand across the country for companies that offer a one-stop shop with a solution for any problem. Sign makers are an inventive bunch and always find ways of using materials in unique ways that sometimes weren't the intention of the original producer. I keep my eye on technological enhancements, particularly in 3D printing, which has come on in leaps and bounds in the past couple of years.

"With the latest being the Mimaki 3DUJ-553 UV LED printing solution unveiled earlier this year, making 3D printing look more than ever like the next big thing on a commercial scale. A printer such as this, in an affordable and readily available form would enable the production of colour-realistic signs, prototypes and parts while eliminating the need for time-consuming hand painting or wrapping of printed objects. "This printer, along with the development this year of the Canon OCE Colorado 1640 which uses UVgel ink technologies that are predicted to transform wide-format roll-to-roll printing, has been a big one in terms of technological advancements in the signage industry. The Signs Express network is excited to see what will be introduced to the market next year and how these can enhance our existing operations."

A final word of caution from Innotech's Kieran Dallow: "With changing ink technologies and printers diversifying more and more, taking their printing capabilities to the limits, media suppliers are going to have to innovate faster to keep up with these demands."

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Signs Express is seeing an increasing interest in interior office and commercial premises makeovers which involve custom wallpapers, decorative films and textured materials

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Advancements in reflective media

Company profile

Tennants UK has been trading successfully for 50 years and began distributing reflective materials in the early 1980s followed by the manufacture of temporary traffic signs and highway equipment in the early 2000s

"Focusing on our expertise in all things reflective, our involvement in this industry proved a perfect fit and soon established our place as a major supplier to the UK's road network," says Paul Rowe. "Having always valued strong relationships with

LED lights are ideal for thin heat-sensitive materials and lead to faster operation as they can be switched on and off instantaneously

key supply partners, our strongest collaboration to date came in 2006 when we were first appointed in our current position as UK Master Distributor of Orafol reflective products. Working closely with the company has allowed us to remain at the cutting edge of reflective material supply and our proven track record of innovation and development ensure we continue to push the industry forward rather than follow trends.

"In recent years Tennants has established Nuneaton Signs and Nordis Signs in Northampton as Orafol Sign Shops, with the installation of Anapurna six-colour head AGFA wide format inkjet printers. Both organisations have flourished with the capacity to print temporary and permanent reflective road signs utilising six spot colours including white; fitted with black, blue, red, green, brown and yellow to service the traffic market.

Fully CE marked products
"With a combined history exceeding 80 years, Nuneaton and Nordis hold ISO 9001:2008 accreditation and provide fully CE marked products in accordance with National Highways Sector Scheme 9a.

Both firms employ a diverse workforce comprising a high percentage of people with disabilities.

As well as high levels of corporate social responsibility, they take environmental obligations very seriously and employ initiatives to minimise their carbon footprint and support sustainability and agree that the Anapurna 2050 series printers have been of significant benefit to their productivity and quality of output.

"At Nordis we are going from strength to strength with the aid of our AGFA printer, Orafol Products and the backing of the Kier Group," explains Andy Poole.

Productivity is key for the Anapurna 2050 printer range, incorporating the latest generation of print heads with double the amount of print nozzles, achieving increased throughput and high quality. Its new electromechanical redesign has made it even more robust, fit for sustained higher workloads.

Premium print quality
The four rigid tables accommodates print size of up to 3.2 metres long x 2.05 metres wide, substrate thickness between 1mm and 45mm and reaching print speeds of up to 90m²/h. The machine's hardware, print head, ink and software components constantly work together to ensure premium print quality and enhanced productivity, whether printing on Orafol reflective or non-reflective materials or directly to a wide range of substrates including plastics, metals and even wood. The hybrid printer uses UV-inks with wide colour range which adhere well on difficult substrates and dry fast, producing superb results for an almost unlimited range of external and internal displays. Features include automatic vacuum system for flawless media transport; automatic board feeding for optimum productivity; multiple board or borderless printing; pre- and post-white in one run; and perfect ink droplet control for the highest print quality.

In July 2017, such had been the success of their M2050i, that Orafol returned to Nuneaton Signs to install AGFA's latest version, the Anapurna H2050i LED which is fitted with air-cooled UV LED lights that save energy, costs and time (print speeds are increased further to 105m²/h). These LED lights are ideal for thin heat-sensitive materials and lead to faster operation as they can be switched on and off instantaneously.

"We are proud to have taken delivery of the Oralite Anapurna M2050i LED digital printer," says Nuneaton Signs' head of sales Mick Boulby. "We remain committed to innovation, re-investment and continuous improvement. The Oralite Anapurna LED system will help the company realise its goals in the next few years, with cutting edge products allied to shorter lead times and improved quality. The 2050i LED is our most sustainable machine to date and we believe our customers will be amazed at the results we will be able to achieve."

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Nuneaton Signs and Nordis Signs have both flourished with the capacity to print temporary and permanent reflective road signs utilising six spot colours



Nuneaton Signs installed AGFA's Anapurna H2050i LED which is fitted with air-cooled UV LED lights that save energy, costs and time



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ArtSystems “keeping it real” for resellers and customers

ArtSystems' Digital Application Specialist, Charlotte Crampton, was given the remit to refresh the company's demo suite and reception area to better reflect the specialist distributor's portfolio. She chose the theme of “real world signage” and the result provides a “state-of-the-art workflow masterclass”.

Charlotte said: “When resellers bring their customers here they are interested in discovering how the media, machinery and tools we recommend can be used to create superb signage and graphical displays simply and easily. They want to see a smooth workflow that quickly connects all the dots while providing a beautiful end result; something practical that still has that essential ‘wow’ factor. We wanted our reception area and demo suite to better demonstrate how signmakers can unleash their creativity in a consistent and cost-effective way.



“ArtSystems portfolio of products has been chosen to reflect the best available tools and materials on the market today, products that offer simplified workflow, stunning outcomes, and a fast return on investment. The new displays are designed to prove these products work in the real world, while also showing how they can provide a genuine competitive edge.



“The England Rugby Rose in the demo suite uses brushed Dibond printed using the HP Scitex FB750 industrial UV printer, with registration marks created using an ONYX RIP. The finished design was cut using the router tool on a flatbed Summa F1612. I chose that particular logo

because I knew the colours would look vibrant – and because Dibond lettering is always asked for during demonstrations.

“Light boxes can be tricky for people with limited experience in signage fabrication, so I created the Lost City Golf light box to show how easy it can be. I used 5mm foam PVC, again printed on the FB750 using the ONYX RIP before being cut on the Summa F1612. I applied Neschen Solvoprint Citilight Superior backlit film to the rear of the front PVC panel to disperse the LED light and avoid banding. The result was simple to create and looks stunning, while also using minimal materials.”



She continued: “In the reception area I wanted to showcase more ‘real world signage’, starting with the ArtSystems’ acrylic sign that was reverse printed using the FB750 before we flooded the back with white. The brilliant ONYX RIP simplified and speeded up the process of precision colour management and profiling, to ensure the quick and accurate printing of the shape and colour of the logo. Finally the sign was cut on the Summa F1612 and I deliberately left the acrylic unflamed to show customers the extraordinary quality of finish they get straight from the router.

“For my demonstration of wall signage I wanted the end result to look subtle, but still have distinctive texture. I chose to construct the display using words associated with everything in the graphics sector, starting with three main headings cut from 10mm foam PVC: HP, Summa and ONYX. I then used varying thicknesses of foam PVC around the main headings to create words associated with them. Everything was cut using the routing tool on the Summa F1612 and I'm really pleased with the result.



“Have a nice day – this is my favourite because I was the first person to cut artificial grass on the Summa F1612. The word ‘Nice’ is layered using foam board for lightness and has a top layer of artificial grass cut using the Summa’s pneumatic oscillating tool (POT). I fitted LED lights around the edge of the sign to represent sunshine. These are powered by a big battery for which I cut a hole in the back of the foam board; so it’s easy to get to when it needs charging. We added a motion sensor so that when someone walks by the lights come on, and then turn off again to save battery power. Around the outside of the sign I placed the words ‘have a’ and ‘day’. These were printed onto Neschen’s repositionable Solvoprint Easy Dot White-Out, high opacity monomeric PVC, using the HP L570. The colour glows, optimised using the ONYX RIP, and this time cut on the Summa S2 Tangential contour cutter. The result was so good we used the same process to add some daisies and bees for the perfect finishing touch.

“ArtSystems is about helping resellers create long-lasting business partnerships with creative people. These new displays demonstrate that creativity can no longer be held in check by the limitations of the materials and machines. The question is no longer ‘What can I do?’ It is ‘What do I want to create today?’ Contact your reseller and come see for yourselves.”



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Brunel Engraving completes commemorative statue

Specialist engraving company, Brunel Engraving, has completed over 300 engravings on the plinth of Bristol footballer, John Atyeo's statue at Bristol City's Ashton Gate Stadium.

The larger than life size bronze statue celebrates the most prolific striker in Bristol City's history and was commissioned by Bristol City Supporters' Club & Trust. Donors had the opportunity to buy a name

plaque on the plinth as part of a scheme to raise funds for the statue.

Brunel Engraving was approached by the trust to advise on how best to display the inscriptions around the base of the statue; the appropriate material to use; and the design and size of the inscriptions which the company would engrave for maximum longevity.

Originally there were 150 names to be engraved but, due to the popularity of the fundraising scheme, over double that number were included on the finished structure.

"We approached Brunel Engraving to do the engraving work as we were particularly impressed by the inscriptions the company had completed at the base of the Isis sculpture in London's Hyde Park", says John Darch, a member of the board of the Bristol City Supporters Club & Trust.

"Our original idea was to feature several individual engraved plates. But Brunel's suggestion to feature continuous strips around the plinth enabled us to include twice as many names as we had originally intended. We also liked the stainless-steel material which the company recommended and were very pleased with



the finished quality of the inscriptions."

"We were delighted to have been involved in this high-profile commemorative work for Bristol City Supporters' Club & Trust", says Martyn Wright, founder and managing director of Brunel Engraving.

"The continuous deeply engraved scripts flow well around the plinth of the statue and the depth of each engraving and quality of the material used will preserve the integrity and endurance of this fine commemorative statue."

Brunel Engraving was established in Clevedon, North Somerset, over 28 years ago. The company's work is in evidence throughout the whole of the country, from the inscriptions at the base of the Isis sculpture in London's Hyde Park to every individual commemorative plaque on Clevedon's historic pier. And more recently, the intricate engravings, inscriptions and designs featured at the major new heritage site, Shakespeare's New Place in Stratford-upon-Avon.

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Doro Tape UK Ltd

"Wow", was the reaction to the branding of this year's Manchester School of Art's end of year MA Show.

The Manchester School of Art, part of Manchester Metropolitan University, has a great reputation for degrees in art, design, architecture and theatre. The end of year show is an important 'shop window' for the new graduate's work and as such, the marketing for the show needed to represent that.

Creative studio DR-ME, made up of two alumni of the art school, were given the challenge to produce the branding for this event. They wanted to push the boundaries of what was possible and create something not yet seen before at the Art School. Set on pursuing a metallic, silver and mirrored approach, DR-ME enlisted the help of Scan-Stick, Manchester based specialists in large format print and cut solutions for the creative industries.

Chris Scanlon from Scan-Stick, said: "The Aslan SE75 Mirrored film from Doro Tape

UK Ltd had always been in the back of my mind, waiting for the perfect deserving client. I was introduced to this product on Doro's stand at Sign & Digital. When I held it up to my face the Mirrored film, as titled, was exactly that! It gave a clear crisp reflection of my ugly mug, no rippling or blurring like other mirrored film on the market."

To get the required effect the branding logo 'This is it' was printed onto clear film, cut out and applied to the SE75. This was then applied to two large windows at the front entrance to the Manchester School of Art's main reception in the Benzie Building.

The overall effect was exactly what DR-ME expected, and as an added bonus Chris said: "The second the first mirrored window was finished the selfies started and this is now Manchester's new favourite selfie spot!"

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Up close with Nando's sequin display

One of Britain's most innovative printing companies, Shimmerdisc, recently installed a 170,000 sequin display for Nando's London. Using new printing and product technology that the company invented, Shimmerdisc has ramped up their signage business with another retail deal. It builds on further signage business with Coca Cola at Wembley Arena.

Shimmerdisc latest installation for Nando's in Soho, London, is a sequin display running around the top fascia of the new restaurant, spanning over 30 metres using a "whopping" 170,000 sequins printed on an Agfa Anapurna Wide-Format UV printer.

"We are pleased to be able to show the finishing touches to the 170,000 sequin display for Nando's London. What a difference it makes with the addition of the 3D illuminated signage. With so many moving parts the display is constantly changing: almost LED and at night with the illuminated signage and street lighting the effect is simply stunning," says Andrew Ainge, founder and inventor of Shimmerdisc.

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Textile design students explore Epson digital print

Epson collaborates closely with schools and universities to provide digital printing expertise and technology. In turn, they say they learn from a new generation of artists and designers. Recently, Epson invited BA and MA students from Birmingham City University's School of Fashion and Textiles, to produce a variety of stylish home furnishing designs, to demonstrate the flexibility of Epson inkjet.

Birmingham City University (BCU) is a centre for fashion and textiles education and is renowned worldwide for its

students' achievements, innovative research and industry partnerships. In its new faculty, the Textile Design degree course gives students the opportunity to experience broad textile skills; and embrace both traditional craft and specialist skills, such as digital print. The SureColor SC-F wide format dye sublimation printer, and desktop SureColor SC-F2000 direct-to-fabric printer in its digital print suite, are used by students to experiment with designs on a wide range of fabrics for fashion and décor applications.

The collaboration between Epson and BCU, under the guidance of Kelly-Marie Sifleet, resulted in a beautiful collection of wallpaper, sofas, cushions and lamps – all produced using SureColor SC-S and SC-F printers. They were displayed as a cohesive interior set at the FESPA exhibition in Germany, and attracted considerable interest from designers and print service providers.

The students also attended a colour management workshop at Epson UK's headquarters, to gain valuable skills that will enable them to maximise the quality of their designs. It also helped them compare the quality across different fabrics and other media.

Epson presented a 'Creativity in Digital Print' Award to Shannon Keenan, a 2017 BA (Hons) Textile Design graduate. For her final project Shannon combined satin and diaphanous textiles, surface embellishments and SureColor SC-F digital print to produce a selection of highly



Shannon Keenan, winner of the Epson 'Creativity in Digital Print' Award



Interior collection designed by BCU Textile Design students & printed on Epson SureColor SC-F and SC-S printers

creative decorated fabrics inspired by gothic architecture.

"Working with Epson has been brilliant for the students, showing them the skills and considerations required for commercial print production in relation to our own fabulous facilities. Epson's generosity in supporting the course in a number of ways shows how mutually beneficial these partnerships can be," says Kate Farley, Lecturer in Textile Design at BCU.

"Since Epson started working with BCU, we have consistently been impressed by the quality and creativity we have seen from the students," says Heather Kendle, Market Development Manager, Epson Europe. "This year's graduation show has reinforced this impression and it was hard to pick one winner. We were looking for work that showed an understanding that digital print is one of a pallet of tools available to a textile designer today. The ability to combine print with other elements is what came through in Shannon's work, as well as her attention to detail and understanding of what a commercial brief may require."

Thank you to the following students who produced the designs for Epson: Katie Allen, Abbey Fowler, Amelia Frost, Jess Howard, Kerry Nickson, Lara Oztekin, Ellie Smales, Natasha Warren and Lydia Wells.

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Tate St Ives works with CCD to create new wayfinding system

CCD has created a new wayfinding system as part of the Tate St Ives Project, which has seen the original building completely refurbished and a large extension created. The new system will guide visitors into and through Tate St Ives and its new gallery, improve visitor facilities plus improve spaces for events and exhibitions.

CCD has responded to its wayfinding brief to create an integrated system that seamlessly brings together the original gallery and the new spaces, as well as providing a better link with the local area, encouraging people into the gallery. The wayfinding programme has been done in a number of stages: research, strategy and design. The initial research programme questioned staff and visitors; and used workshops to evaluate the previous wayfinding challenges to identify how to meet the needs of the new structure. From this a temporary wayfinding system was created as the basis for further observational testing and refining, so that the full system could be rolled out at the same time as the launch of the new extension.

Jane Richardson, Head of Marketing, St Ives said: "The Tate St Ives Project is an enormous undertaking for us, transforming the existing building as well as creating a

fantastic new gallery and visitor facilities. We're delighted to be working with CCD whose approach really focuses on understanding the needs of visitors when trying to navigate into, through and out of the galleries."

CCD has respected Tate guidelines to ensure there is a common brand experience at all Tate galleries

The new system has been designed to be discreet and create a sense of 'wandering', encouraging people to visit all the gallery spaces. Galleries have been renumbered to make the layout more intuitive for visitors to understand their 'journey'. The signage evolved from the idea of a 3D circle and reflects the architecture of the gallery, as well as its origins – a gasometer. Signs are colour-matched to each gallery. CCD has respected Tate guidelines to ensure there is a common brand experience at all Tate galleries.



Chris Girling, Head of Wayfinding at CCD said: "Visitors want to be given the information they need to enhance their time at the gallery. The new wayfinding system has been designed to do that in a subtle yet helpful way. By starting afresh and looking at the gallery as a whole, we have been able to develop a system that works whether people want to see something specific, or just wish to explore."



New signs surprise students

Students returning to school after the summer holidays were welcomed by eye-catching new wall coverings on the walls and windows.

The contract for Moor Park High School and Sixth Form College was delivered by Signs Express (Central Lancashire) and includes digital wall coverings; stained glass effect window displays; and large-scale wallpaper on staircases and corridors.

The designs and artwork were produced by Lancashire company CDM as a part of an ongoing contract for the internal and external requirements for both the school and sixth form in Moor Park Avenue, Preston.

Working with CDM, the team at Signs Express created 13 separate signs, which are now on display throughout the campus.

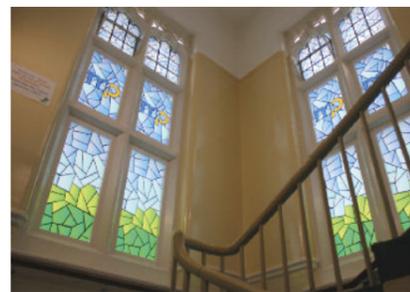
Matt Rutledge, of Signs Express, said: "Working in schools is always rewarding and because we worked in the holidays we knew the new wall and window displays would be a big surprise for students."



"We have a lot of experience in the education sector and are equipped to handle the trickiest of briefs. At Moor Park School we had to fit a difficult wallpaper installation on staircases, create a stained glass window effect to match the existing décor on new windows and work on some uneven fixing surfaces."

The Moor Park School project is just one of a number of schemes Signs Express is delivering in Preston. Others include large-scale construction and regeneration projects being carried out by regional builders such as Conlon, Warden Construction and Eric Wright.

Signs Express and its 15-strong workforce based in Rough Hey Road, designs,



produces and installs a full range of signage for its growing client base and is owned and run by father and son team Stephen and Ben Hall.

As well as external and internal signs, the company also creates vehicle and window graphics and has seen a growing demand for its bespoke digital wallpaper. All its work, from design to manufacture, is carried out 'in house'.

Signs Express' growing client list has seen annual turnover grow above £800,000. Ben Hall said: "Our design department is using the latest software to create powerful messages. We pride ourselves that we are more than just a sign company."

"We've got graphics and fabrication workshops that are also equipped with the latest technology. It means we can produce all aspects of sign work, including illuminated, tactile and braille signs. It's a very competitive market out there, but the advantage we have is being able to take on work of all sizes and to successfully project manage them."

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Ordnance Survey

Bespoke signs and shapes were required by Ordnance Survey to be used as props for an upcoming PR event to help launch Greenspace. This is a new free layer in Ordnance Survey Maps that enables the public to easily discover green spaces for leisure and recreation across England, Scotland and Wales.

The concept was to produce a giant map pin that was capable of being freestanding, and various hand-held arrow-shaped signs that were fun and interactive. All signage and props had to be lightweight yet robust, as they would be handled frequently by school children during the campaign and travelling across Britain.

Display-grade polystyrene containing a flame retarding additive was selected as the ideal material to make the signage from due to its lightweight properties, while the additional painted finish added to its strength.

The arrow-shaped signs, which were 30cm tall and up to 2 metres in length, were machine cut from blocks of polystyrene and shaped to have radius corners making them safer for members of the public to handle. The arrows had a matt emulsion paint finish and white, self-adhesive vinyl lettering applied to one side.



The giant pin was 7ft tall and 1ft thick and had a hollow centre with mini arrow signs inside, which were held in place by a pole that ran through to centre of the pin. The pole was fixed to an MDF base and was stabilised by white wedges that helped the pin to free-stand. The MDF base and side of the pin were both covered in a realistic faux grass for added effect. The pin was finished in matt emulsion paint and had white vinyl logos and letters applied to the

face. The customer chose to have applied vinyl rather than flat cut acrylic letters so that they could easily update logos and wording in future.

Due to the General Election the official launch of Greenspace was pushed back by about a month, but all props and signs were delivered by the original agreed date and the customer commented that "they look amazing" and they were "proper chuffed".

Since the official launch of Greenspace at the beginning of July the props and signage have travelled England, Scotland and Wales visiting schools and local councils. They have even been photographed with high profile MPs and celebrities such as Ben Fogle to help raise awareness of Greenspace.



Campari creates pops up at King's Cross!

Cardiff based Graham Sweet Studios recently produced these 2m high patterned letters for Hot Pickle for the Campari Creates event in London.

Campari Creates popped up at Kings Cross for 10 days with Campari Cocktails. The activation included an art installation build by Hot Pickle and designed by Eley Kishimoto on behalf of Campari, bringing the spirit of Milan to London by showcasing two of Milan's greatest exports: Campari and creativity.



The team at Graham Sweet Studios produce a wide range of display props, such as these letters and commercial Christmas displays. Their clients include design agencies, sign companies, department stores, events companies and film companies.

The studios are based in Cardiff, though the majority of Graham Sweet Studios' work goes to London and further afield.

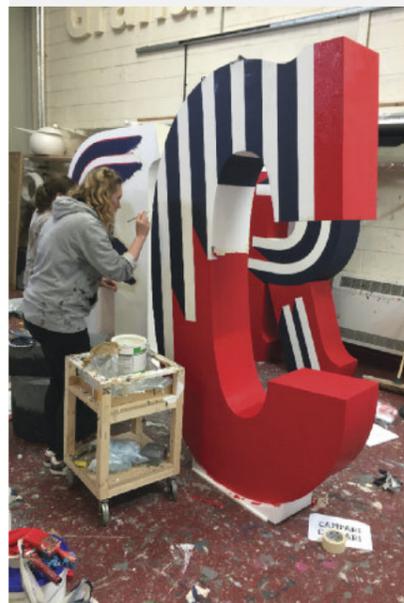
The letters were on display in September at Granary Square, King's Cross

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Graham Sweet Studios was established in 1969.



Graham Sweet had his first studio in Bute Street, Cardiff Docks (now Cardiff Bay)



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A. S. Handover

Charlotte Wormley-Healing, Manager of A. S. Handover, says...

What hair is used in signwriting brushes?

The ideal fill for a signwriting brush would be a fine hair with a sharp point and plenty of spring so that it responds to the writer's touch. It is also important that the hair is available in sufficient length (up to 60mm), holds together well and does not stick out at all angles like a bad hair day. The hair would ideally be tough to resist the effects of oil based paints and the associated solvents, and ideally would not cost the earth.

This does not seem too much to ask but unfortunately there is no single hair that meets all these criteria. Readily available and inexpensive hairs (around £25 per kilo) include bristle (from pigs) which is long and tough but does not have a point which would make it impossible for the signwriter to obtain a sharp edge to his or her letters. Pony hair will not come to a point or hold together and has very little strength or spring. Ox hair is also relatively cheap at around £200 per kilogram and

was widely used until the 1990s for rougher or larger work as it represents a halfway house between bristle and the fine hairs such as squirrel and sable.

These latter two hairs have been the mainstay of signwriting brushes since the craft first developed. Squirrel hair is widely used in North America. It holds together nicely and comes to a fine point and at around £1,500 per kilo is not too expensive. It does, however, have little or no spring so will not follow the hand nicely when painting, for example, an 'S'. Most British signwriting brushes have been made with sable over the years. This hair has all the wished-for characteristics noted above but it is very expensive, currently selling at over £6,000 a kilogram, a cost that is currently increasing by the month. It also needs to be cleaned and cared for religiously if the hair is not to become brittle and break off.

In recent years, synthetic "hairs" have improved to the extent that they now offer a reasonable alternative for many applications.

How long does it take to make a signwriting brush?

This varies with shape and size but, with hair that has already been dressed and cleaned, it should be possible to make around 24 in an hour.

How long does it take to learn how to make a brush?

Apprenticeships for artist brushmaking used to last five years and it certainly takes that long to be able to make a top quality brush at a commercial rate.

How long has A. S. Handover Ltd. been making brushes?

Mr. Handover started the business around 70 years ago. The daughter of his first brushmaker still works with us and we have other brushmakers who have been with us for well over 30 of those 70 years.



Photograph courtesy of Matthew Nixon. Artist Tobias Newbigin. Sometimes all that glitters is gold: A. S. Handover's gold leaf supplies continue to be extremely popular

Do you see a renewed interest in hand-written signs?

All of the traditional signwriters who buy from us tell us they are at their busiest for years. There is a definite appetite for products produced by hand and more people are prepared to pay that bit extra for something special. I think people have really started to see the worth of what they are buying, rather than just going for the cheapest option; it seems to have come full circle.

Brushmaking



Measuring the hairs



A. S. Handover's longest-standing brushmaker, Kath, ties off the hair on a brush



The long-established company's brushes are renowned for their quality and durability



Pointed and coachliner brush heads drying



Some of the tools used in brushmaking



Swordliner heads drying

TRADITIONAL SIGNAGE Feature

Carters Steam Fair

Joby Carter isn't your average traditional signwriter – he is also a showman, and his work can be seen on his spectacular vintage travelling funfair, Carters Steam Fair. The fair travels almost every week for seven months of the year and with rides dating back as far as 1895 – and up to the 1960s – there is always more paintwork to do in the winter.

For the last few years, Joby has been running very popular five-day intensive signwriting courses in his paintshop near Maidenhead, from November to January. The courses cover everything from basic layout to shading and lining and give you a great basis to start from.



Joby Carter, showman and director of Carters Steam Fair, seen here signwriting, explains how he became involved in the craft and how he'd like to see the traditional method of signwriting continue...

How did you learn your craft?

I was taught the old fashioned way, as an apprentice to the fair's signwriter, Stan Wilkinson; who in turn was taught by a jobbing signwriter; who was taught by a man who worked for Hovis in the 19th century. This unbroken line of technique and skill is unusual these days, and I am keen to continue it.

I taught Aaron Stephens, who first came on one of my courses; he is now painting full time for the fair. Fairground painting generally gives the artist much more creative freedom than standard signwriting, and there are many techniques and materials that are particular to the craft.

I believe we are now amongst the foremost fairground artists in the country with an unsurpassed background of knowledge and experience.

What equipment do you work with?

I prefer chisel-tipped brushes which I buy from Wrights of Lymm, David Jackson and Habberley Meadows. I'm not particularly fussy and will try anything once. I had a vegan on one of my courses who didn't want to use a sable brush, and he gave me his synthetic brush to try. It was surprisingly lovely! I keep all my old favourites. I find I have a collection of about 50 brushes at any one time, and I probably only actively use about three of them. As they begin to lose hairs, they get relegated into the drawer full of tired brushes, which I can't bring myself to throw away. On occasions, I've had special brushes made for particular jobs, like extra-long lining brushes for working on large scale panelling, such as box trucks or wagons.

I use Craftmaster and my now dwindling supply of Keeps' signwriting enamels. I use One Shot occasionally for gold size, for example. Craftmaster's great to deal with; they have the closest colour palette to the original Keeps' colours, which the fair was painted in when I was a child. They are very amenable, working with me to mix special colours for restoration work.

I love signwriting, and I'm always happiest when painting. I don't use tape, or vinyl masking, because I was taught the original skills of painting with just a brush and a mahl. These skills are fast dying out, and I think it would be a crying shame if every signwriter relied on computers to work and were unable to do basic layouts freehand. A good signwriter is noticeable from the layout and crisp finish, and I really enjoy seeing the work of people who add a bit of artistic flair so their character stands out.

"I think the most important thing is to remember that you won't become a signwriter overnight. You have to put a lot of time and patience into it, but when you paint your first good sign, it's the best feeling!"

I'm now taking bookings for my five day course which runs from January 15th to the 19th, 2018, and I'm holding a two-day Letterheads event at the fairground yard from November 18th to the 19th, 2017. More information can be found at: www.carterssteamfair.co.uk.



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The results of Ady's handiwork

Do you use special paint? What makes that paint effective?

I use One Shot Signwriting Enamel. It's an American, quality product which flows nicely, giving an even coverage. The drying time is good too.

In my experience, these things matter. They all help to make my craft easier. I've been running the business, and signwriting, with my brother, Andy, for

more than 26 years now so I have tried and tested lots of different signwriting products.

What, would you say, has been your most unusual signwriting job?

I think laying on my back signwriting upside down. The job involved letters and numbers and all this was done under an aeroplane wing.

"To anyone thinking of becoming a traditional signwriter, my advice is to keep smiling, every time on every job, when a passer-by calls out: "You spelt it wrong."

You always look back at your work – just in case – it does happen!"

What are the most important qualities you need to be a traditional signwriter?

A good eye for overall design is absolutely necessary. You also need to be able to work in extreme temperatures – I have worked in some very hot and some particularly cold conditions. Vision is paramount; it's vital that you are able to turn customers' ideas into reality. And, of course, last but not least, you need plenty of patience!



Ady has been signwriting for over a quarter of a century

Wrights of Lymm

How long has Wrights of Lymm been selling traditional signwriting materials?

Wrights of Lymm Ltd was established in 1840 and has been manufacturing gold leaf and supplying sundries to the traditional signwriting trade for over 170 years.

Which types of brushes have you found traditional signwriters prefer to work with?

In our experience, traditional signwriters prefer to use pure sable brushes in either chisel or pointed form due to the softness and bounce or snap in the hair. They are also great for holding the paint, which allows the artist to create some wonderful lettering. If looked after correctly, these brushes will last for many years. After cleaning, it is important to apply neatsfoot oil or Vaseline, as this will help conserve the hair. These brushes are still made by hand in the UK.

And which paints are generally the most popular?

The paints most commonly used are oil based signwriting enamels, which are available in an array of colours but are also inter mixable allowing you to create your own shades. We supply two different types of enamels. Our own brand, manufactured here in the UK, is called Wright-it. This is a collection of colours that have been replicated from what once were Keeps' colours, manufactured by J W Bollow. Bollows were a long standing paint manufacturer here in the UK, well



Traditional signwriting and gilding work by David Kynaston



Clive Stonehouse, Managing Director of Wrights of Lymm, the gold leaf specialists, seen here performing the ancient craft of gold beating, talks about the company's background and traditional signwriting today...

known within the signwriting trade due to their great range of traditional colours, but unfortunately due to a fire in their factory some years ago, they sadly never managed to get back on their feet, so Wrights of Lymm felt it very important to still be able to supply to the trade with these much sort after colours. We also supply One Shot Enamels; again these are very popular in the signwriting industry and are imported from the USA.

When might traditional signwriting be used and, in your opinion, what makes it special?

Although many signwriting jobs are now done by vinyl, there are still a fair few traditional signwriters in the trade. You can still see many pub signs, gypsy caravans and plenty of glass signage, for example, done in the traditional way. We believe it is undoubtedly far superior to the vinyl



The gilding of The Gloriana for The Queen's Jubilee by Hare & Humphreys

alternative as the signature of each individual craftsman is presented, highlighting the works' originality and uniqueness. Traditional signwriters have a great artistic talent as everything is done by hand; many of them also do gilding, adding gold leaf to many of their pieces of work, especially on glass signage and traditional pub signs. It takes great patience... and a steady hand!

Determining the value of investment in customised CNC routers

By: XYZ International

Is it more advantageous to invest in a fully customised CNC router or will a standard off-the-shelf machine be sufficient to meet production requirements? This is a question that sign and graphics companies will inevitably ask. The decision is not an easy one, and a number of factors have to be considered before determining which of the two options is the most appropriate in relation to individual requirements.

Global manufacturer and distributor of high-performance CNC routing, engraving and cutting machines, XYZ International examines some of these factors and offers advice on how to avoid pitfalls that can occur during the purchasing process.

Every company endeavours to demonstrate due diligence when deciding between a fully customised CNC machine and an off-the-shelf one. The evaluation process can be quite complex, given the fact that customised CNC routers have evolved rapidly over the past decade to offer considerably more functionality. The focus of potential buyers has to be on both the present and future requirements of their businesses in the context of:

- a router's capabilities
- the required quality of the finished output
- production volumes
- the effective use of time and labour;
- and the contribution the machine will make to the future growth and prosperity of the business.

Traditional methods of sign and graphics production have existed for years. But the drawback has always been the commitment of time and labour, particularly when it came to the more specialised and complex sign and graphics applications. With the emergence



An XYZ customised CNC router installed at sign trade-only supplier William Smith Group

and evolution of CNC routers, traditional and time-consuming manual processes have rapidly been replaced to enable huge savings in time and labour costs, increased production levels and a superior quality of output.

For small and/or start-up companies that may have either considered customised CNC routers as too expensive in the context of the bottom line of the business. Or they have failed to appreciate the potential that existed with customised machines in terms of business growth and profitability. So an off-the-shelf machine would at first glance appear to be a logical choice. To a certain extent, such thinking still exists today within these companies, primarily due to the lower initial investment requirement on off-the-shelf machines.

But the continually expanding capabilities of CNC customised routers has now changed this perception, with the availability of additional and highly advanced machine enhancements that enable engagement with highly complex and/or industrial-grade applications for which off-the-shelf routers would be totally unsuited in view of their limited capabilities. This would explain the growing interest in NBM (Nested-Based Manufacturing) by small or start-up companies, which now view fully customised CNC routers as an opportunity to expand; grow the business; diverge into new markets; and increase profitability.

In stark contrast, off-the-shelf routers are very restricted in their use. They are invariably sourced via the internet from a third-party reseller or distributor, resulting in no direct access to the manufacturer when technical support or necessary spare parts are required; and with little or no operator training provided. They also incorporate only the basic of standard production tools (invariably just a single routing head as one example); provide only a standard bed size; cannot use different production tools and controllers; and have insufficient torque to do heavier and more complex work, as well as being unable to carry out vital machine upgrades.

Some key considerations to be made before arriving at a decision to purchase either an off-the-shelf or fully customised CNC machine:



The Trident image is a good example of a combined CNC routing and cutting solution for print finishing applications. The particular machine shown is the one installed at the Key2 Group in Hampshire

*If a lower-cost off-the-shelf machine is opted for, make sure it will deliver precisely what is required for the work being done and the need for future business growth
*Do not misjudge the type of tooling required to process widely differing materials, particularly since some tools have been designed for highly specialised routing, cutting and shaping applications.
*Be aware of the parts and accessories required to maximise production in order not to incur additional costs later.

*Check the level of support that would be available. It is more efficient in terms of cost and maintenance when the supplier of the machine is also the technical support advisor, particularly since third-party providers are invariably more expensive and less reliable.

*Define supplier responsibilities by making sure the supplier offers comprehensive training programmes and can maintain spare parts availability.

*Make sure the machine purchased is capable of future upgrades, to take advantage of new technological advances and their capabilities.

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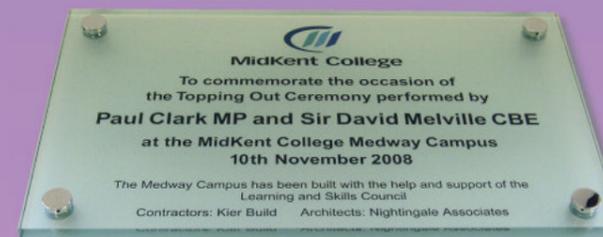


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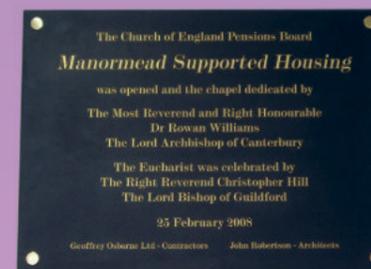
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Fujifilm Uvijet UV inks get UL GREENGUARD Certification

14 Fujifilm inks in its Uvijet UV range have achieved UL GREENGUARD certification. The criteria to obtain this accreditation are among the most stringent product emissions standards in the world. UL GREENGUARD Certified products are well established and scientifically proven to meet rigorous third-party chemical emissions standards, creating healthier indoor environments, says the company.

Fujifilm Uvijet UV inks for wide-format inkjet printers are low odour, low emission inks that produce "vibrant, high quality imagery". "There is increasing demand for healthier products and working

environments across many industries, and regulations are changing as a result," says Mike Battersby, Marketing Manager at FUJIFILM Global Graphic Systems.

"Fujifilm's passion is about making environmentally friendly products that are 'zero waste to landfill'. Our UK factory, based in Broadstairs, generates its own electric power in-house via 800 ground-mounted solar panels that also fuel our high efficiency manufacturing equipment. Running our business this way allows us to conserve and reuse heat energy, helping to reduce our internal carbon footprint and pass those same benefits on to our customers."



Mike Battersby, Marketing Manager at FUJIFILM

Your Print Specialists expands wide format print portfolio

Roland DG has appointed Your Print Specialists (YPS) to its network of approved dealers. Effective from 1 September 2017, YPS is an official Roland DG dealer for the North of England with a focus on sales of the TrueVIS VG Series and TrueVIS SG Series.

With nearly 40 years of experience in the print industry, YPS has a proven track

record in delivering wide format printing equipment; and the associated software and finishing solutions to its loyal base of customers.

The wide format print solutions available from YPS are all showcased in the company's fully-equipped demonstration suite. YPS will be holding an open day at its offices on Wednesday 8 November

2017 to demonstrate the future of print and cut with Roland DG technology.

"We have a very loyal customer base within the graphics, lithographic and screen print sectors," says Garry Brown from YPS. "Key to our continued growth is adding diversity to our wide portfolio of products. Our business has grown substantially year on year, and we see the introduction of the exciting Roland products adding incremental sales and value to our business.

"Being appointed as a Roland reseller is a natural progression for YPS which extends the Roland demonstration and support into the North of England and Scotland. The addition of Roland strengthens our position, benefits our customer base, and allows YPS to continue to deliver outstanding customer service and choice."

Rob Goleniowski, Roland DG, Head of Sales said: "Roland DG is delighted to welcome YPS to our family of authorised dealers. We feel that their knowledge of all things print will benefit both our customers, with their experience; and their customers with Roland products. It's a great partnership that will serve customers in the North of England and Scotland well and we look forward to enjoying many successes together."

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The YPS team

20 Years of Trotec Laser

In 20 years, Trotec Laser GmbH has succeeded in growing from a start-up business to market leader in laser machines for cutting, marking and engraving. Starting out in an industrial container focusing on R&D, the company has come a long way to its current eco-friendly headquarters in Austria.

Trotec has an install base of over 30,000 systems, serving customers in more than 90 countries and employing more than 550 people worldwide. It formed in 1997 from a research branch of Trodat, the world's biggest manufacturer of stamps, and has since become the world leader that it is today, according to the company. In 2015, Trotec's sales volume exceeded €100 million for the first time, an aspirational goal which had been defined years earlier. In 2016, the latest completed financial year, Trotec increased sales by 9.1 per cent, to almost €110 million.

Sales volume goal by 2020: € 200 million The high growth rate continues in 2017 too. With a predicted sales increase of 20 per cent, Trotec sets a major milestone for its sales volume goal in 2020.

Dr. Andreas Penz, spokesman of Trotec's management team, said: "This increase in sales seems incredibly high at first sight, but the laser business is an extremely dynamic one, and laser applications are found in all major areas of life.

"Trotec laser technology plays an important role in industry and trade as well. The pivotal question is: Why do we make lasers? Because we make our customers successful, and this sustainable strategy allows us to grow exponentially."

The goal for the future of Trotec Laser is to become the world's number one in the laser segment and the market leader in the defined core markets.



Dr Andreas Penz

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The industrial container where it all began



20 years on and Trotec continue their climb to world's number one laser company

During anniversary celebrations in the summer of 2017, Andreas Penz reviewed the past 20 years with milestones of development, with some personal insights and experiences. He proudly thanked the Trotec team for the tireless dedication and distinctive team spirit, which forms the basis of this success story.

PFI Group acquires Lofthus Signs

Manchester based PFI Group have made their second significant acquisition in 2017, after buying Lofthus Signs in Aberdeen.

Lofthus Signs, founded in 1951, operates from its base in Aberdeen and is the largest signage company in the north of Scotland. Lofthus Signs has a strong brand in Aberdeen, and an enviable reputation within the wider construction and fit out market in Scotland, says the company. Lofthus Signs also has expertise in industrial engraving and supplying signs to the offshore oil and gas industry, which adds further unique manufacturing capabilities to the PFI Group.

Lofthus Signs will operate as an independent company from its present location, and the existing management

team will be led by Sign Plus MD, James Barbour. He will make sure that Lofthus Signs "maximise the supply chain opportunities and synergies that exist within the wider PFI Group".

PFI Group comprises PFI Signs, GB Sign Solutions, Sign Plus, HT Screenprint and Lofthus Signs. Further acquisitions are planned for the current financial year, in line with their current growth strategy.

Darren McMurray, PFI Group CEO said: "These are truly exciting times for PFI Group and we are delighted to welcome Lofthus Signs and its employees to the PFI family. The acquisition of Lofthus Signs will add significantly to group revenue, whilst also increase PFI Group's overall manufacturing capabilities."



SignPlus MD James Barbour, Lofthus Signs MD Robin Williamson, PFI Group CEO Darren McMurray

Further success for FASTSIGNS franchise

The Gloucester and Watford franchise centres of FASTSIGNS, have relocated to new facilities to help their ambitious plans for growth.

Spanning across 4,600 sq ft, Watford's new site at Unit 7, Moor Park Industrial Estate, offers more than double the floor-space of the previous premises on St Albans Road. It enables the centre to invest in new machinery to accommodate

the increasing demands of its growing customer base. Now operating a HP Scitex FB550 Industrial Flatbed Printer and a Zund G3 XL3200, the new equipment allows the centre to deliver better quality printed results on rigid and flexible media, and assists in perfecting the finishing process.

Similarly, Gloucester's move to its new spacious, 2,080 sq ft location at 15 The

Glenmore Centre, Waterwells Business Park will allow the team to work on bigger projects with ease. Featuring a mezzanine floor and an indoor vehicle bay, the team can apply vehicle graphics in all weathers. With the additional space, Gloucester plans to continue providing a comprehensive range of signage and visual communications to almost any industry sector. Since relocating, the centre has broken into a new service area providing wall coverings, lift wraps and personalised doors for care home residents.

John Davies, managing director of FASTSIGNS UK, said: "Over the years we've watched FASTSIGNS Gloucester and Watford flourish, and the relocation of their centres is another fantastic milestone for both teams. Both centres have worked so hard and their expansion into new sites is so well-earned. They've been successful and it's been wonderful watching them go from strength-to-strength. I look forward to celebrating even more future successes with both centres as they embark on this new phase of their partnership with FASTSIGNS."

FASTSIGNS Watford and Gloucester are part of an integral network of 22 franchisees in the UK.

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FASTSIGNS Gloucester celebrate the opening of their premises

Printwear & Promotion LIVE! moves to January dates in 2018

Printwear & Promotion LIVE! 2018 will take place a month earlier than its usual dates. Following further growth, it will be held in Halls 17 and 18 at the NEC, Birmingham from 21 to 23 January 2018.

Event director Tony Gardner said: "The continued expansion of the show in recent years has meant we have had to relocate again into bigger halls, and the availability of larger halls has resulted in a move to January for 2018.

"January is traditionally a little quieter for the garment decoration market, so from a visitor perspective the dates present the opportunity for even more to attend. January is also the time when new clothing lines from the major clothing brands are launched. So being able to showcase these to the market a month earlier is seen as a real benefit by the clothing brands and distributors exhibiting at the show."

The new strap line for the 2018 show 'Where the action is', reflects the fact that the show is an annual launch pad to demonstrate new equipment and showcase new clothing lines. It also echoes the 'LIVE!' aspect of Printwear & Promotion, presenting the industry in a "vibrant, dynamic and 'hands on' way".

As the only dedicated event for the UK garment decoration industry, the show provides an interactive event for its visitors with workshops, seminars, advice from industry experts and on stand demonstrations.

A one-stop-shop for printwear professionals, as well as those looking to enter the market, the exhibition features around 160 stands from all sectors of the garment and product decoration market. Such as around 60 clothing brands, distributors and all the major decoration equipment and accessory suppliers covering direct to garment, sublimation, transfer and screen printing and embroidery.

90 per cent of the floor space has been sold and the 2018 show is on target to exceed this year's record amount of stand space sold.

Tony said: "Comments and feedback from our visitors shows that inspiration to develop and grow their business is what they get from the show and why they enjoy it so much! Those who visit the show for the first time often comment that there is a real 'buzz' at the show. Record visitor numbers of well over 5,000 at each of the last three shows, is testimony to this."



HALLS 17 & 18, NEC, BIRMINGHAM, 21-23 JANUARY 2018

YES Ltd (Your Embroidery Services Ltd) is a long-term exhibitor returning again in 2018. John-Paul Burton, sales director, said: "Over the many years that our company has been participating, Printwear & Promotion LIVE! has regularly reinvented itself, making it a must for visitors that wish to remain fully up-to-date in the garment and equipment supply chain.

"Our company has been an exhibitor at show since Your Embroidery Services Ltd was formed in 1995. The exhibition, which always delivers a very professional display for the garment supply and decoration industries, has been a terrific platform to meet existing and future customers, as well as being a showcase for new products that we have introduced over the past years."

Another long-term exhibitor, Jim Nicol, managing director of TheMagicTouch, said: "For the past 25 years we have exhibited at P&P LIVE! as it's simply the best platform for us to inform the garment decoration market of our latest innovations and products. Over the years, it has been great to see more exhibitors thinking about their stands in terms of appearance and layout helping to raise the industry profile."

Visitor registration will open online in October.

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Signarama teams up for success

The Signarama franchise is embarking on a “collaboration drive that seeks to empower smaller and independent business owners to take a bigger share in the UK’s billion-pound signage industry”.

The brand is looking to partner with existing businesses that will benefit from adding its products and services to their offering. At the heart of its campaign is Signarama’s new Light package, a complementary signage bureau ideal for existing print businesses. Independent signage companies also have the option to co-brand or even convert to a full production Signarama centre. At the same time, Signarama will bring business owners into their network, and provide a structure of support for planning and achieving growth.

Franchise Recruitment Manager, Annetta Doyle, said: “On the one hand, the signage industry is growing. In a buoyant economy, more businesses launch, expand and relocate and so the demand for signage and associated services increases. In a challenging climate, businesses need to do more to attract more custom, be more visible and stand out from the crowd and so demand increases! For larger and more established brands like ours, this is a win-win situation.

“We realised that we’re able to expand our own network by bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience into it from existing business owners whilst at the same time, helping them to secure their businesses for the long-term.

Probably the most important thing, is that collaboration doesn’t mean losing your identity or control of the business that you’ve successfully built so far

“We are experts in not just the signage industry, but in business development, financial strategy and diversification. Our international R&D department keeps our partners ahead of the competition by developing, testing and bringing products to market first. And our collective buying power allows you to leverage preferential terms with suppliers.”

Research shows that many business owners have reached a plateau or need support in realising a capital return on their investment: whether that’s retirement planning or creating a saleable asset. It’s here, says Signarama, that collaborating with a franchise can make all the difference. A franchised business follows a model that is designed to maximise the value for your exit, whenever that may be. So, future planning and release value are things that naturally form part of a Signarama business plan.

Annetta said: “Probably the most important thing, is that collaboration doesn’t mean losing your identity or control of the business that you’ve successfully built so far. It’s about protecting it and securing your place in this billion-pound market for the future. And what could be more important than that?”



The Birmingham South team

Merson Group appoints new Head of Development

Merson Group signage contractor has appointed Clive Hawes as its new Head of Development.

Clive Hawes is already well-known, having had many years of invaluable experience running a major UK signage business and working with many national and multinational brands. Clive was previously Managing Director of Hawes Signs.

Merson was established in 1938 and design, manufacture and install sign systems for clients in the construction, transport, retail and financial sectors.

Long-term customers include Tesco, Volvo, Iceland, Transport for London, Lloyds Banking Group, South East Trains and TK Maxx.

In 2015 Merson was backed by HSBC and Maven Capital Partners to acquire ASG, the Essex based sign company and another major player in the industry. Following a period of integration the company launched a combined offering, a new brand name and a new-look. Merson-ASG, as it is now known, combines the skills and resources of both organisations into one unique service offering. With

facilities in Glasgow, Basildon, Luton and Poland the acquisition has created a UK and European sign business with an “unrivalled range of skills, capabilities and resources to deliver major signage projects”.

Roddy Angus, CEO of Merson Group, said: “In an industry where nothing stands still it’s imperative that we are always one step ahead. Having someone on board like Clive who comes to us with an abundance of knowledge and experience in the market is a huge advantage.”

New Signs Express in Scarborough

Signs Express has just opened a new centre in Scarborough, a franchise territory in which the company has never before been represented.

The fully-equipped sign making centre is owned and operated by Edith and David Lloyd. With management experience in the graphic design, digital print and manufacturing sectors, David has the knowledge and the drive to “ensure the business’ success”. Together with Edith, who has a corporate background in sales

Edith said: “Having both grown up by the sea, David and I wanted to return to the coast and run a profitable business in an area that we already love. Opening a Signs Express branch in Scarborough was the obvious answer.”



The Lloyds and their new Signs Express team in Scarborough

and marketing as well as being a qualified teacher, the pair have a great combination for a new business, says the group.

It is new territory for Signs Express, who currently have 65 centres across the UK and Ireland, but have never ventured into Scarborough.

Located in the Eastfield Industrial Estate, the new premises have excellent links to the A64 and is only 10 minutes south of Scarborough town centre. They are ideally situated to service the whole of the Yorkshire coast, the East Riding market towns, and the North Yorkshire Moors region.

Sign & Digital UK to evolve in 2018

Sign & Digital UK, the leading sign making, display solutions and digital printing show will return to the NEC next April, with new features and a theme tailored to meet the changing needs of its visitor profile.

Creativity Brought To Life – the 2018 theme – has come about in response to extensive Sign & Digital UK visitor research and its findings. The theme and show graphics, along with new practical elements soon to be announced, are all part of the event’s evolution.

Rudi Blackett, event director for Sign & Digital UK said: “We are delighted to announce our 2018 visitors will benefit from a wider range of learning and networking opportunities than ever before, with new practical demo areas and interactive visitor features.



“In addition to focusing on our core sign, print & finishing and display markets, we will also be broadening the appeal of the show further with an emphasis on the design and creative, textile print, event build and interior décor markets. We will be introducing a programme of engaging show content to highlight the business opportunities in these growing market sectors.”

Sign & Digital UK will take place at the NEC, Birmingham from 24 to 26 April 2018 and is free to attend for visitors. To enquire about exhibiting please contact the show team on 01342 332 000, email signanddigitaluk@fav-house.com.

New Avery Dennison materials product guide

Spandex has launched a new product guide for Avery Dennison materials and accessories.

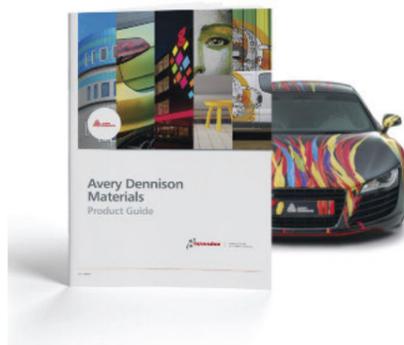
The guide aims to make it easy for customers to take full advantage of the variety of Avery Dennison products available to explore new market opportunities. It includes the brand's latest products such as the Avery Dennison MPI 1405 PVC-free digital wrap; the VisiFlex Prismatic Vinyl V-8000 Series for fleet

vehicles sold in four colours; and the Clear Sparkle speciality overlamine DOL 6040 series.

The 100-page guide includes information on the following product groups and their individual performance attributes:

- Vehicle wrapping and graphics films
- Signage and digital films
- Translucent, reflective and fluorescent films
- Wall and floor coverings
- Window and decorative films
- Speciality laminates
- Masking and stencil films
- Tapes and accessories

Leon Watson, Spandex UK General Manager, said: "This easy-to-use guide presents a wide range of materials, tapes and accessories that enable customers to deliver a variety of jobs. Innovations in media from leading players such as Avery Dennison are one of the key factors in helping Spandex customers



seize new business opportunities, and this guide will help customers make the right product choice, guided by our expert sales teams."

Spandex stocks most Avery Dennison films for next day delivery. To request a copy of the Avery Dennison Materials Product Guide, contact 0800 77 26 33 or visit www.spandex.co.uk to download a PDF version.



Zünd UK evolves with new name, new technology and new faces

St Albans-based Zünd Plotting Systems (UK) Ltd has announced an official name change to Zünd UK Ltd, following its acquisition by Swiss family business Zünd Systemtechnik AG earlier this year. The new, simpler name reflects a continued progression for the digital cutting technology company.

New technical innovations will also be on show at Zünd UK Ltd's dedicated demonstration centre following a forthcoming refurbishment. New Zünd machines fitted with over-cutter cameras and laser modules, both of which were unveiled at FESPA this year, will be on display for customers to look at this technology away from busy trade show floors. Zünd UK is also planning to hold a number of open house events next year, introducing more people to the cutting-edge range.

Zünd UK Ltd has announced the appointment of new sales personnel.

James Newnham, Paul Whitford and Steve Rowbotham have all been appointed Sales Account Managers, while Thomas Scott is a new Sales Technician.

As part of the changes at Zünd UK, the email addresses for sales and support teams have also been altered to salesuk@zund.com and supportuk@zund.com respectively. The phone and fax numbers remain the same.

"Becoming a subsidiary of Zünd Systemtechnik AG this year has enabled us to make big changes at Zünd UK Ltd, including streamlining our name," says Stuart Cole, Managing Director, Zünd UK Ltd.

"Our demo centre is getting a revamp with our very latest innovations that make digital cutting processes even faster, more automated and more efficient, while our customers will see new faces in our sales team."

We're looking forward to meeting new and existing Zünd users both at our demonstration centre in St Albans and at forthcoming trade shows, with plenty more events planned for 2018.

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Antalis Interior Design Award

Antalis is launching its inaugural 'Antalis International Design Award' competition, to celebrate the "vast design possibilities presented by modern visual communications media".

Officially launched on 1 September, the competition, which will run until 31 December 2017, calls on interior designers, architects, printers, brand owners and students to submit their best designs using at least one product from the Antalis Coala range, its flagship visual communication brand.

A panel including major international players from the world of design, presided by renowned scenographer François Confino, will then decide on the stand-out projects.

Creativity at the core

Themed around the 'just print your imagination' concept, the competition comprises three different categories all geared towards celebrating a true showcase of self-expression and ingenuity; marking the different artistic sensibilities from around the globe in a way that has never been done before, says the company.

Completed projects

The competition will reward the finest completed projects and projects underway from the period of 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2017. Professionals can compete in one or several of the following categories: Hospitality, Restaurant, Retail, Office, Home and Public premises.

The winners will be announced in March 2018 and receive extensive media coverage in the prestigious press partners of the competition: Wallpaper and Intramuros. They will also benefit from important visibility on social media, Antalis' website (4 million visitors per year) and on international trade shows attended by Antalis such as Architect@Work and Retail Expo.

Blank 3D model projects

For professionals and students who don't have any completed or current project to submit but still want to let their talent shine, Antalis is offering the possibility of using blank 3D models which they can reinvent with solutions from the Coala range.

The winners will benefit from media exposure and receive €3,500 and €2,000 for first and second prize respectively. They will also have the opportunity to bring their ideas to life by re-designing parts of

Antalis' headquarters or one of the Group's subsidiaries.

The public's favourite award

A special cross-category award will be attributed to the participant whose project wins the heart of the public and receives the most "likes" on the Antalis Interior Design Award website.

Following the competition, an exclusive book will be made showcasing the best pieces of work and present the portrait of each winner. The book will be distributed to trade media, museums, architecture firms, design agencies and renowned designers.

Katie Farr, head of marketing for Visual Communications at Antalis UK, said: "With the Antalis Interior Design Award, we want our visual communication expertise to support the creativity and innovation of interior design professionals and enable them to push the boundaries. Our Coala range is perfectly in line with new trends in interior design and decoration, offering customers the means to create unique interiors that help them stand out from the competition. The international dimension of the competition is an added strength as it will be a melting pot of different artistic styles and sensibilities as well as a source of inspiration for others."



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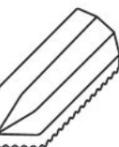


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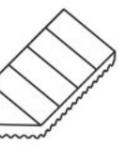


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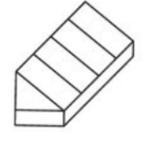
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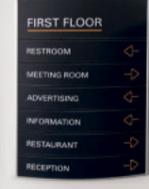


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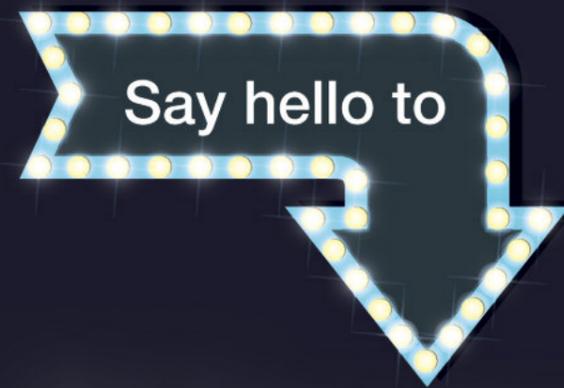
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