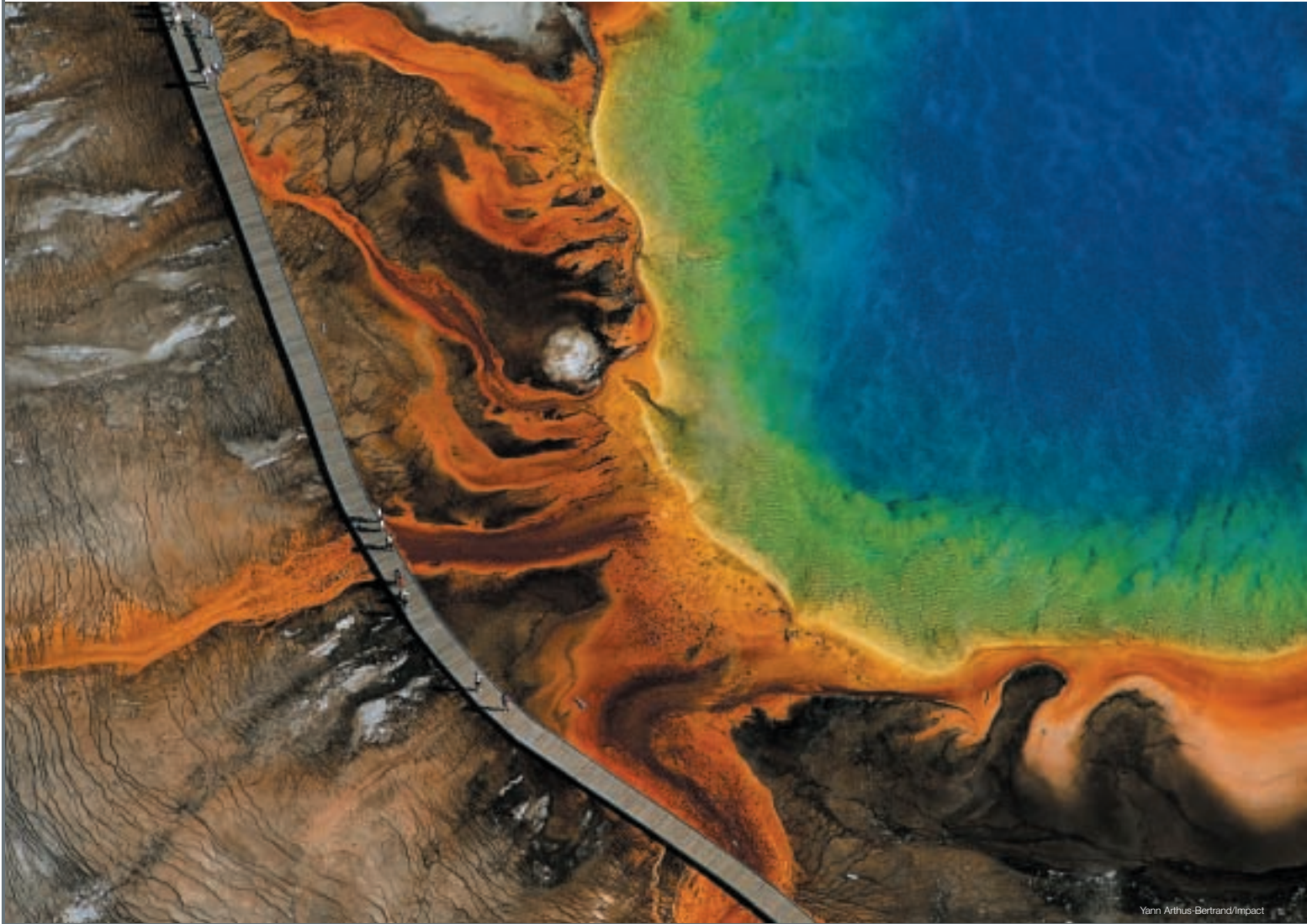
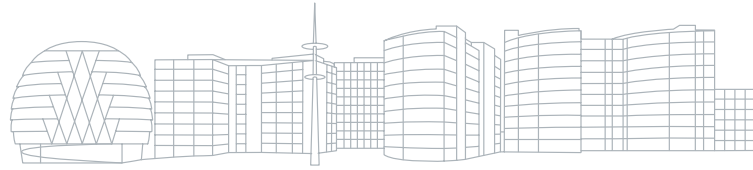


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Earth from the Air – A photographic portrait of our planet

The acclaimed exhibition arrives at More London

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Construction progress update



Piling activity at 3 and 4 More London Riverside.

Kevin Sansbury

The latest construction work at More London is now well underway with three buildings coming out of the ground. Meanwhile, the new Unicorn Theatre is scheduled to complete towards the end of this year.

Concrete works to the new Hilton London Tower Bridge Hotel by contractor Bovis Lend Lease are progressing well both in the basement and on the main superstructure which can be seen rising above the hoarding on Tooley Street. These structural operations will continue until late summer by which time the full outline form of this uniquely shaped building will be evident.

This new addition to the portfolio of Hilton London hotels is due to open its doors in summer 2006.



One of the 300 piles.

Kevin Sansbury

Following hard on the heels of the hotel is the construction of two other exciting new buildings to the south east of the estate.

3 More London Riverside will be the new headquarters of international law firm Norton Rose when it completes in 2007. The building, designed by Foster and Partners, sits adjacent to City Hall and alongside Potters Fields Park.

Foster and Partners are also the architects for the adjacent 4 More London Riverside which will house another international law firm, Lawrence Graham. It is also due to complete in 2007.

Over 300 piles – concrete and steel reinforced circular columns providing the foundations for the buildings – have been installed, reaching down into London Clay up to a depth of 30 metres and up to 2.4 metres in diameter. Piling operations were completed in March and the forest of piling rig masts has been replaced by a team of five tower cranes which will lift the steel structure and cladding into place. By the summer there will be up to 400 building operatives working on the site.

Both buildings are due to be completed to shell and core stage in the summer of 2006 which will be followed by the internal fit-out prior to occupation during 2007.

Keeping Tooley Street moving

With the increase in construction activity across the development, More London has introduced a new security and logistics team to oversee site operations and to minimise disruption to the local area.

One key aspect of this role is the management and control of the many vehicles that need to go in and out of the site gates. A state-of-the-art online delivery booking system is being used and a team of trained traffic marshals have been employed to keep traffic flowing along Tooley Street and to safeguard pedestrians. To keep the local roads clear of mud and debris a wheel washing facility has been installed on site and a road cleaning machine deployed along Tooley Street to keep the road as clean as possible.

All these measures are put in place to minimise any disruption caused to the local area by construction activities.



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Top right: Road cleaning machine in operation along Tooley Street.

Bottom right: The on-site wheel washing facility cleans each vehicle prior to its exit onto Tooley Street.

BT Openzone at More London



Thanks to the installation of a wireless broadband network by More London, visitors and workers at More London can have quick and secure access to the internet and their corporate networks. Wireless broadband access is now available in and around the Scoop and More London Place. You'll even be able to get coverage whilst sitting in or outside morechampagne, Café Amore, Caffè Nero and Bagel Street Deli. The network is being operated by BT Openzone.

Wi-Fi technology allows users to surf the internet, check email and connect to corporate intranets using a high-speed wireless broadband connection. Rather than working away at your laptop at home, in an internet café or in the office, you can take the opportunity to get online while you enjoy a sunny day down by the river at More London.

If you're a business traveller needing to change a presentation at the last minute, a tourist wanting to book a holiday or look for a nearby restaurant or a remote worker wanting to use your PDA (or other Wi-Fi enabled device) to contact colleagues, you can take advantage of the Wi-Fi 'hotspot' at More London and at thousands of other locations worldwide.

BT Openzone is the UK's leading Wi-Fi provider with over 7,500 hotspots available to customers. BT is helping to increase fast, secure and hassle-free Wi-Fi access for everyone by installing hotspots in British Airways and bmi airport lounges, McDonald's flagship and drive-thru restaurants, internet kiosks, cafés and leisure facilities. In the UK alone, key business venues such as BAA airports, major UK railway stations, hotels and conference centres are all served by BT Openzone.

Visit www.btopenzone.com for more information on how to use WiFi, security and other common questions.

More Events

More Summer in the Scoop

FREE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR EVERYONE

Following the success of last year's summer events programme, More Summer in the Scoop returns with a movie season, two theatre productions, a music festival and again welcomes the Thames Festival, all in addition to the Earth from the Air exhibition.

Throughout June 2005 the Scoop will host **More Movies**; a free open-air movie season. Each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will see evening screenings of classic, cult and contemporary favourites as well as some more recent blockbusters. Highlights will include *Casablanca*, *Easy Rider*, *Moulin Rouge!* and *The Matrix* – it promises to be a unique movie experience in an extraordinary location.

From 6 July until 14 August, the Scoop's hugely popular **Free Open Air Theatre Season** returns for its third year of performances. Following critically-acclaimed productions of Ancient Greek classics, *Oedipus* (2003) and *Agamemnon* (2004), Suzanna Rosenthal and the Steam Industry will stage Euripides' classic Greek drama *Children of Hercules*, translated by Kenneth McLeish. This is a heart-wrenching story of dispossessed refugees seeking asylum in a distant land.

As with the 2004 season a family show is also in the offing. Lashings of comedy, live music, pirates, parrots, puppetry and fast-moving



Summer fun in the Scoop.

action are the order of the day when the Scoop will be transformed into *Treasure Island*. Young Jim Hawkins seems on course for fame and fortune when he learns the far off location of hidden pirate spoils. He and the bold and beautiful Lady Trelawny recruit a crew of the hardest sea dogs to sail the good ship Hispaniola to Treasure Island. But there's mutiny in the air and soon all are in deadly peril from the most ruthless pirate to ever terrorise the seven seas – Long John Silver! Can our "Jim Lad" out-wit the scoundrel and live to claim the treasure?

Look out for some well-known names appearing during the Scoop's third annual **More Music** festival which this year runs from mid August to mid September. Lunchtime music will soothe and ease those stresses so you can enjoy your sandwich in the sun, whilst this year's additional evening concerts should have you dancing by the river. Watch this space for more details.

More information on all the events in the Scoop can be found throughout the spring and summer at www.morelondon.com/thescoop or by calling 020 7403 4866.



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Heart in Voh, New Caledonia.

Yann Arthus-Bertrand/Impact

Earth from the Air arrives at More London

After a two year run in London at the Natural History Museum and a successful UK tour, Earth from the Air is returning to London due to popular demand. The acclaimed photographic portrait of our planet by world famous French photographer Yann Arthus-Bertrand is transforming part of More London into an open air gallery. Londoners and visitors can once again enjoy this incredible exhibition for free.

Earth from the Air is a spectacular collection of over 120 large-scale aerial photographs of astonishing natural landscapes. Every stunning photograph tells a story about our changing planet; seen together they are an outstanding visual testimony to the world we live in today.

Chris Bridge of Wecomunic8, Exhibition Director said, "I really want everyone to see the phenomenon that are these photos because they tell us so much about the world. We have found a way for passers by, schools and tourists to enjoy them by creating this free public exhibition. At More London the exhibition will be open 24 hours a day and will truly make the most of this fantastic riverside space."

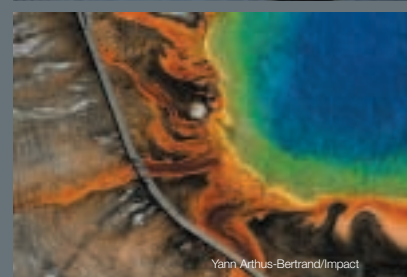
Mark Evans, Estate Director at More London Estates said, "We are delighted that Earth from the Air has come to More London. It is a spectacular exhibition appealing to all ages and walks of life and we are pleased to facilitate its much awaited return to the capital. The exhibition has enormous impact in raising awareness of environmental and economic issues across the globe, as well as reminding us how beautiful the earth is. In addition this hugely popular exhibition will raise the profile of this exciting area of London. The public spaces at More London are designed exactly for this type of activity, and we are fully supportive of such initiatives as part of our wider free public events programme."

The free floodlit exhibition presented by Wecomunic8 and Impact Photos can be seen at More London night or day until September 2005.

For more details see www.earthfromtheair.com

Top right: An artist's impression of the Earth from the Air exhibition at More London.

Bottom right: N 44°28' W 110°39'
Grand Prismatic Spring, Yellowstone National Park.



Yann Arthus-Bertrand/Impact

More Community

SUPPORTING SOUTHWARK'S YOUNG PEOPLE

Over the Christmas period More London Development made a number of charitable donations to Southwark organisations, particularly those benefiting local children. Over the coming months we will feature these organisations and let you know about their activities and how More London's contributions have helped. First of all we visit Columbia Football Club.

Tooley Street Public Art project



The site of the proposed public art project.

Fair Community Housing Services (FCHS), who manage a significant amount of property on Tooley Street, are working with Tate Modern and the Chartered Institute of Housing to develop a new London landmark and community beacon. The landmark will be a 65 ft by 25 ft piece of public art to transform a disfigured 1890's mansion block on the junction of Tower Bridge Road and Tooley Street. Due to road widening the 6 storey block has lost its original architectural features and has been given a stark render finish to its end elevation. This sadly disfigured building is in plain sight of Tower Bridge and also The Tower of London, a World Heritage site. FCHS recognised the potential of this 'disfigurement' as a 'blank canvas' to provide an excellent opportunity

for a community arts project, which would provide a positive identity for the local community.

Community consultation, with the support of Southwark Council, and a partnership arrangement with Tate Modern, who will provide workshop facilities and expert assistance, is currently underway. The consultation process is managed by ArtOffice, well-known producers of public art projects.

Public art can make a major contribution to a location by giving it character and identity, and by enticing people to walk in and through public spaces. By transforming this building's defacement the community would be 'unlocking' a new resource to create something of positive social benefit to the community.

Columbia Football Club to coach in north Southwark



Columbia Football Club in action.

Columbia Football Club (CFC) is a semi-professional club based in Peckham. It was founded six years ago by Gonzalo Hermosa to provide Peckham's young people with the opportunity to play football and develop their skills.

Originally the focus was on the Colombian immigrant community, but the project has now grown to include young people from other minority communities. The 50 squad

members train with professional coaches five times a week. Two members of the team have recently left to play for professional clubs in Bolivia.

In addition to playing football the young people are offered additional support such as counselling and English language skills in order to help their personal development. In return members are encouraged to contribute time to environmental activities such as picking up litter in the local community. The initiative has led to most of the team (aged between 16 and 24) undertaking further education studies.

More London's contribution will enable the club to provide extra coaching and a pitch for a weekly game during 2005. In order to benefit young people living in north Southwark, More London, CFC and Southwark Council are working together to enable the CFC squad to use its experience to help train other young people for Southwark's Estate Football Tournament this summer. We will keep you informed of their progress.

More London and Mace promote local training and jobs

As part of the Building London: Creating Futures (BLCF) Partnership More London and Mace (construction managers at More London) continue to lead the Social Inclusion Programme. It is recognised that London's developments can provide valuable opportunities for local training and jobs. The aims of the Social Inclusion Programme are to create a sustainable construction workforce and to offer the local community transferable skills development to ensure their long-term employability.

The programme focuses on people facing barriers to employment, such as those with limited or no skills, women, lone parents and people from local minority communities. The programme has a site based coordinator who provides an interface between those looking for jobs and available employment on site. There is extensive individual support which continues throughout the individual's time in work and focuses on career development

and ironing out any initial problems that may arise.

Training includes Manual Handling and Health & Safety Awareness which contribute to the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) accreditation. In addition there are weekly computer training classes open to all construction site staff at More London, and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes which are run three evenings a week.

The Social Inclusion Programme Manager, based on site at More London, has strong links with the Employment Services, Lewisham and Lambeth Colleges and numerous community groups, and offers advice on foundation courses and construction related NVQ training and support through to degree training programmes. This ensures that individuals are presented with an extensive range of opportunities to reach their full potential.

Almost 150 people have secured full time employment through the scheme, with many more having secured industry accredited qualifications.

Keeping in touch

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