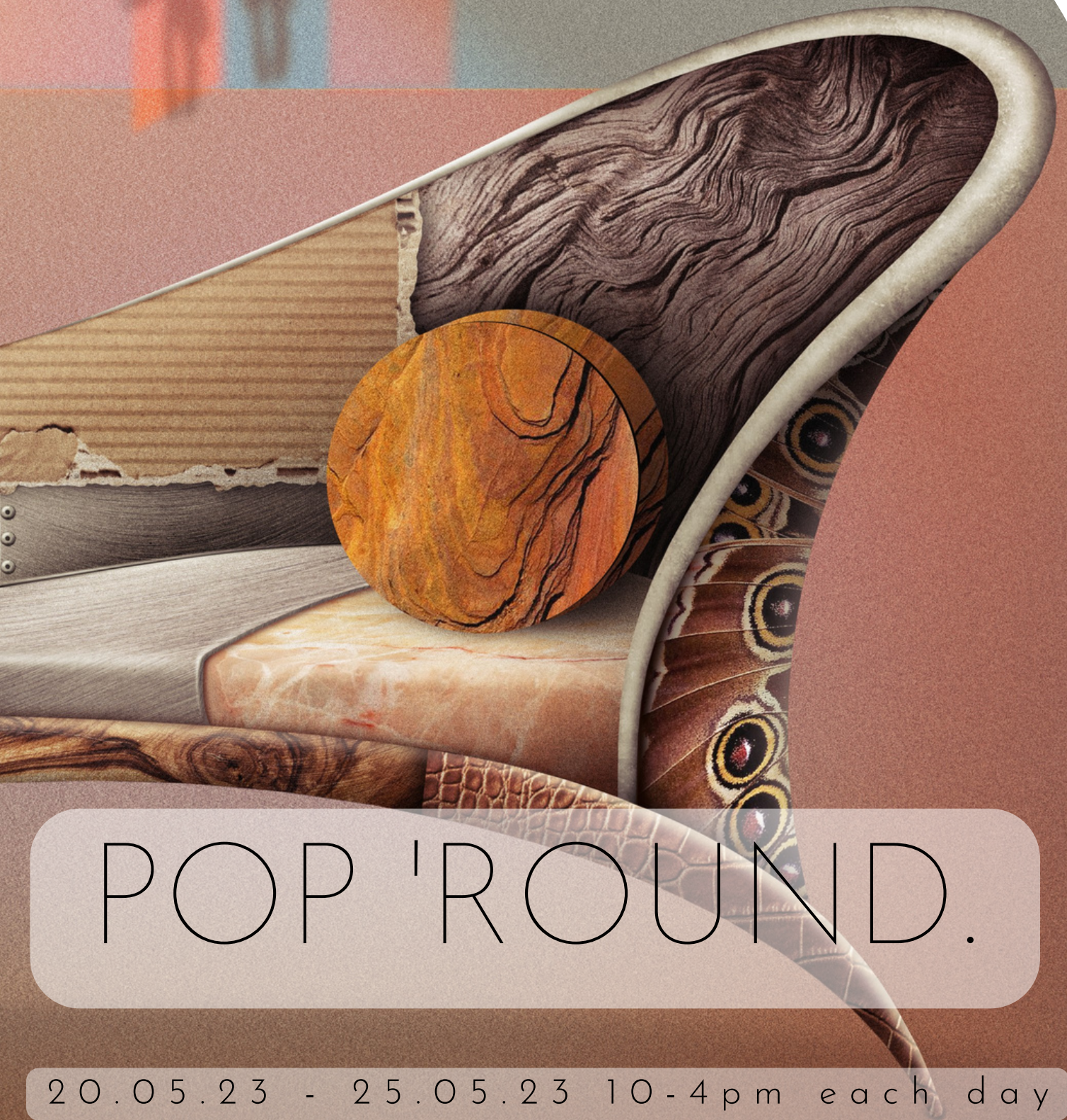


# MELBOURNE DESIGN WEEK



## POP 'ROUND.

20.05.23 - 25.05.23 10-4pm each day

Opening night: 19 MAY 5-9pm

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**Dark Horse Experiment and Blender Studios announces  
Pop 'Round' a group exhibition curated as part of  
Melbourne Design Week 2023.**

*Opening Friday 19 May 2023, 5pm at Dark Horse Experiment,  
Blender Studios inhouse gallery space.*

*Pop 'Round features twelve designers, Adam Markowitz, Alisher Mirzaev, Angharad Summers, Apple Huang, Carl Broesen, Elizabeth Lawrence, Hannes Fehrmann, Harry Vasey, Jack Stannard, Maryam Moghadam, Ruth Gale, Julie Julie, Richard Astley and Suraj Vijayakumar; as part of Melbourne Design Week 2023, an initiative of the Victorian Government in collaboration with the NGV.*

“Pop 'round is a casual yet classy collection of furniture presented by Pop 'Round Collective; a trio of emerging designers that have come together through a mutual passion for materiality, sustainability and love for sharing creativity with others. We draw inspiration from the current trajectory of our world, and aspire to produce work that is relevant and necessary.

Combining our passion, inspiration and aspiration, Pop 'round was born; a furniture exhibition that showcases materiality and transparency while breaking the constraints of a traditional exhibition experience.

With the exception of some necessary hardware, fasteners and small mechanisms, all Pop 'round furniture is constructed from used materials we have rescued from junkyards, factory bins, nature strips, online second-hand marketplaces and more. Like guests visiting our home, we welcome our audience to interact with our furniture, test their functions and use them when engaging with other visitors. Our creations have sought to meet a high-end, premium standard in hope of changing our audience's view of waste from “disposal” to “desirable”. Our making process and material sourcing is also showcased in order to educate, inspire and to reach complete transparency with our audience.

So pop 'round and see how we've done it.”

**Pop 'Round invites you personally to their group exhibition:**

*Hey, how've you been? Long time no see.*

*I've been good. At a new place with a bunch of creative minds who've got wild ideas and ridiculous handy skills. We've made all the furniture around the house ourselves from materials we've rescued. You wouldn't believe some of the possibilities reclaimed materials lend themselves to. We're talking luxe, premium sh\*t you find in high-end furniture stores...made from people's junk. And it's all functional!*

*What, you don't believe me? You should pop 'round and test them all out yourself over drinks and nibbles. Don't worry, you won't hurt yourself - we know what we're doing. Let us transform your opinion about waste.*

*Hope you can make it!*

**Key Dates**

*Exhibition Opening | Public event | Free*

*Friday 19 May 2023, 5pm - 9pm*

*Complimentary Coffee Day | Public event | Free*

*Saturday 20 May 2023, 10am - 4pm*

*\*BYO cup/ mug*

*Exhibition | Public event | Free*

*Saturday 20 - Thursday 25 May 2023, 10am - 4pm each day*

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