



ART ABOVE - CANOPIES OF CREATIVITY



American international contemporary artist Edwin Parker "Cy" Twombly recently completed a painting on the ceiling of le Louvre's Salle des Bronze (March 2010). Appropriately, the word ceiling comes from the French ciel...meaning sky, heaven and canopy, a space the imagination has enjoyed rendering art above on for centuries. [Read More](#)



Australia: Culture in the Colonies

In 2010 in Australia its art, design and style, are constantly being re-interpreted, distilled and decanted into something quite unique. [Read More](#) | [Watch the Online Video](#)



What Is: Arts and Crafts

Painter, writer, textile designer and social activist William Morris (1834-1896) revived an interest in arts and crafts. His inspiration was both nature and the medieval world. Due to romantic notions Robin Hood was destined to help. [Read More](#) | [Watch the Online Video](#)



What Is: Meissen Porcelain

What is its claim to fame based upon? [Read More](#) | [Watch the Online Video](#)



What Is: Fashion, more than a frock?

During the last three decades designers embraced principles and philosophies borrowed from Modernism. Is a rage for simplicity still in play? Is maximalism next? [Read More](#) | [Watch the Online Video](#)



Who Is: James Boswell Companion and Observer

By gatecrashing in literary circles Scottish writer James Boswell met self styled wit Voltaire and political philosopher, educationist and author Jean-Jacques Rousseau on a visit to Paris 1763 - 1766. [Read More](#)



What Is: Art Deco

Thanks, we had a great reaction to our post about Art Deco. It is a popular aspect of "Modernism" (1920 - 1940). Here it is again for those who may have missed it. [Read More](#) | [Watch the Online Video](#)



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The RSA (A+NZ) makes a difference in society by supporting innovation and creativity. There is an event in Melbourne soon. [Read more.](#)



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Editorial - Carolyn McDowall

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PROFILE OF THE MONTH

Sydney Interior Designer [Thomas Hamel](#) and Antiques Dealer [Martyn Cook](#) have created a new gallery space. It is like a wonderful [Residence](#), straight out of Thomas's new book. We will keep you posted on the opening date of this new [gallery of grace and style](#)

BOOK OF THE MONTH

[And Furthermore](#) is an autobiography from Judi Dench whose impish sense of humour contributes vividly to her account of more than half a century as Britain's best-loved actress.

[Macquarie: From Colony to Country](#) charts the eventful rule of Lachlan Macquarie, governor of New South Wales from 1810 to late 1821.

MUSIC OF THE MONTH

Mandolins of Brisbane present [Garlands](#), a unique evening of poetry, song and dance performed by Queensland Mandolin Orchestra with the support of the Alexandra Chorale and Soloists. [More Information and Bookings 4MBSFM](#)

Karen Lonsdale, Artistic Director, has let us know about the inaugural [Logan Summer Music Workshops](#) to be held in Brisbane Friday December 17 to Sunday December 19. [Read More](#)

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