



Oliver Heath, Director, Heath Design Ltd, UK

Oliver studied architecture at Oxford Brookes University and then completed a postgraduate in architectural studies at The Bartlett School of Architecture, University College London, which he completed with distinction. He went on to work in exhibition and set design before winning the BBC's Young Designer of the Year in 1998. Following this he set up the interior and architecture company, Blustin Heath Design, with business partner Nikki Blustin. They worked on architectural projects at a variety of scales, creating practical, beautiful sustainable designs for the likes of Barratt Homes, Bio Regional, ING Real Estate and Islington council, designing their Sustainable Living Centre. Since moving to Brighton and having children Oliver has been promoting his new design company, Heath Design Ltd, where he has recently completed the Eco Home Exhibition at the Geffrye Museum in East London.

Oliver has been involved in numerous television projects including BBC's Home Front and BBC Changing Rooms, BBC's Heaven and Earth, Channel 4's House to Home and ITV's Front of House. Throughout his media work he makes a positive commitment to discussing sustainability; demonstrating how people can make it part of their lifestyles in ways that won't compromise their sense of style. Oliver's new series, Dream Homes, for The Discovery Channel, sees him follow the lives of couples building new homes investigating the inspiration behind them – looking at the works of the architects and visiting inspirational buildings.

Oliver has written a weekly design column for the Observer, Friends of the Earth, Earth Matters, and Move and Improve magazine, he currently writes and styles for House Beautiful magazine. He has released three books about home design & style – "Oliver Heath's Home Book" and "Front of House". His most recent book, "Urban Eco Chic", looks to define the practical and aesthetic issues surrounding eco interiors and describes his theories as to how to create them. Urban Eco Chic is now available in 7 languages around the world.

In 2006 Oliver co-founded **EcoCentric.co.uk**, an online ethical retailer dedicated to interiors products reflecting Oliver's Urban Eco Chic style. EcoCentric was set up as a response to a need for beautifully designed, coordinated sustainable products for the home. After 4 years of successful trading EcoCentric was sold to a competitor.

Oliver regularly presents seminars on the subject of sustainable homes and lifestyles at prestigious design events such as EcoBuild, Grand Designs Live, 100% Design, the Ideal Home Show, and the BBC Good Homes Show. He also vets the Eco Trail at Clarion events Top Drawer and Pulse trade shows at Olympia.

He has recently completed a full environmental refurbishment of his own home in Brighton, with which he hopes to promote the concepts of "practical and style led sustainability" to a wide audience- demonstrating principles of low energy living, reuse and ingenious recycling. The house has since been awarded Super Home status by the Sustainable Energy Academy for reducing its carbon emissions by over 60% and in March 2011 was awarded the British Institute of Interior Design's Retrofit award.

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