

SymbioticA and The Bureau of Ideas present

DESIGN FOR DEBATE

Monday 3 August 2009
6-9pm Hyde Park Hotel



Technological Dreams Series: No.1, Robots, 2007, Dunne & Raby

A discussion about the social, cultural and ethical implications of existing, and emerging technologies.

Anthony Dunne and Fiona Raby, London UK

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Chaired by Oron Catts, Symbiotica Director

London designers Dunne & Raby use design as a medium to stimulate discussion and debate amongst designers, industry and the public.

Designers are usually expected to make technology sexy, consumable, and easy to use; to ensure its entry into everyday life goes as smoothly as possible. But as it becomes more complex, there may be the need to slow down and debate the impact of different technological futures before they happen. Dunne and Raby believe designers need to collectively decide on which futures are the most desirable, and the least harmful.

Following their participation in Melbourne at the State of Design Festival, Symbiotica in collaboration with The Bureau of Ideas bring Dunne and Raby to Perth for a public presentation.

The talk will include projects from Dunne & Raby and their students on the MA Design Interactions course at the Royal College of Art to illustrate new design roles, contexts and methods.

Dunne and Raby's work has been exhibited at MOMA, the Pompidou Centre, and the Science Museum in London and is in the permanent collections of MOMA, V&A, FRAC and FNAC. They have consulted for Sony, Philips Design, National Panasonic and France Telecom and have published two books: *Design Noir: The Secret Life of Electronic Objects* (Princeton Architectural Press) and *Hertzian Tales* (MIT Press). Anthony Dunne is professor and Head of the Design Interactions Department at the Royal College of Art in London. Fiona Raby is a faculty member.

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