

Education/Culture

«Secret Rivers» at the Museum of London Docklands

An impressive and informative exhibition experience: Visitors are invited to immerse themselves, to discover and appreciate hidden waterways.



Starting Point

Secret Rivers, an exhibition in the Museum of London Docklands, unveils the secrets of London's historic rivers – the waterways that shaped the city and its people.

In close cooperation with the museum's team, Sarner International Ltd developed an exhibition design enabling discoveries and insights at a dynamic exhibition surprising visitors and immersing them in London's secrets of hidden rivers and roads.

Solution

"Fluidity" played a decisive role in the exhibition's physical development. To create a sense of fluids and movement throughout the entire exhibition, a structure of lightweight frames was designed, meandering through the room and describing the seven topics. Using frames covered with a semi-sheer fabric, the designers created a wall structure letting through light while giving enticing views of the exhibition. The result was a sense of secretiveness, fascinating visitors on their journeys through the exhibition.

Object

Exhibition "Secret Rivers" at the Museum of London Docklands, London, England

Concept

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Photos

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The criteria for the textile selection were as follows: thickness and transparency of the fabric, which could still be tightly stretched to be used as a projection screen, as well. In addition, the textile had to be flame-retardant and available in 3 m width.



Textiles Used



UNISONO IV

Article-Number: 0004000

Use: Dense curtain fabric

Number of colors: 70

Material: 100% Cotton

Fabric width: 150 cm/59 inch/1.64 yard

Weight: 211 g/m²

Abrasion resistance: 2'000 Martindale

Pilling: 5

Light fastness: see downloads



SINFONIA CS VI WHITE

Article-Number: 0100301

Use: Transparent/semi-transparent curtain fabric

Number of colors: 3

Material: 100% Flame retardant (Trevira CS)

Fabric width: 300 cm/118 inch/3.28 yard

Weight: 74 g/m²

Sound absorption: α_w 0.10

Light fastness: 5-6