

COLIN SEAH PICKED AS INFLUENCER FOR HOTEL DESIGNS

Hospitality superbrand Design Hotels has named the founder of Ministry of Design, Mr Colin Seah, as one of 10 “trailblazing architects and designers” for its Influencers List 2016.

Part of The Design Hotels Book 2016, the list also includes Ms Kit Kemp, co-owner and design director for Firmdale Hotels, and multi-disciplinary design studio Space Copenhagen, which did the interior of one of the world’s best restaurants, Noma.

Mr Claus Sendlinger, founder and chief executive of Design Hotels, says influencers were picked based on how their “dynamic ways of

thinking capture the feel of the land and the emotionality of a destination”.

Seah is behind the interiors of properties such as the New Majestic Hotel in Chinatown, which won him a President’s Design Award in 2006.

A recent hotel project is Loke Thye Kee Residences in Penang, where Ministry of Design worked on five pre-war shophouses, dressed in a traditional-meets-contemporary style.

Aside from features on the chosen influencers, this year’s book features 289 hotels across 181 destinations. Released last month, it costs €55.98 (S\$86.05) at www.designhotels.cc/shop/book-2016



The Loke Thye Kee Residences in Penang (left) is a recent project of Ministry of Design, founded by Singapore designer Colin Seah (above).