

Event

# AD Destinations and Boston Design Center Host a Spring Dinner

The evening, which brought members of Boston's design community together, took place at the Flour Bakery + Cafe

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Last week, members of the [Boston-based design community](#) gathered at the [Boston Design Center's](#) new [Flour Bakery + Cafe](#) to mix, mingle, and discuss [AD Destinations](#), [AD's partnership with Indagare](#). The travel initiative has led to a series of fruitful (and enviable) trips, thanks in no small part to Mitchell Owens, *AD's* decorative arts editor and a resident expert on all things design. At the dinner, Owens was on hand to discuss the venture and to meet a handful of New England design professionals for the first time.

"[Boston](#) is one of my favorite cities, because of its incredible history and great sense of style," explains Owens, who made a quick jaunt from New York for the special night. "I wish New York City had a Flour Bakery + Cafe, it would become my personal canteen!" he adds. Alas, the city that never sleeps does not yet have this particular oasis, which, as Owens explains to AD PRO, stood out for its "lively decor by designer [Alina Wolhardt](#), delicious food by Joanne Chang, and terrific sense of warmth and camaraderie."

For dinner, guests dined on smoked salmon salad with beet hummus; chicken ballotine with dumplings, peas, and carrots; and raspberry cheesecake for dessert. Country bread made by the bakery dotted each table, while glasses of Sonoma County Chardonnay and French Côtes du Rhône flowed.

However, as is true of any good [dinner party](#), the best aspect of the evening was the conversations had and the connections made. "I was thrilled to be in a room with so many tastemakers and influencers, most of whom I had never met before, and whom I hope to see again as soon as possible," Owens says. "The evening ended far too soon for me."



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