

2015 editorial programme

January / February

(To print: 19 January)

Hard landscaping

It is not the easiest of times for hard landscaping with councils still watching every penny, but at least there has been a renewed assessment of value for money that has favoured natural stone products.

Power tools

Latest developments in power tools used by masons for cutting, polishing and carving.

March

(To print: 16 February)

Natural Stone Show: Preview

A first look at who will be exhibiting what at the Natural Stone Show at ExCeL London, 28-30 April

April

(To Print: 23 March)

Natural Stone Show: Official catalogue

This issue of Natural Stone Specialist is the official catalogue of the Natural

Stone Show at ExCeL London, 28-30 April. It will list the companies exhibiting with brief descriptions about what they will be showing. It will also include all the information you need for a visit to the show to help you make best use of your time at the exhibition.

May

(To print: 4 May)

Natural Stone Show: Review

Highlights from London's Natural Stone Show, with pictures and news from the UK's major biennial stone show.

Tiles & Interiors

With TTA having presented its Tile Awards, NSS takes the opportunity to look at the stone products honoured and review the position of natural stone in the interiors market.

June

(To print: 18 May)

Memorials

With the National Association of Memorial Masons planning to hold an exhibition of its own this year, we take a look at what will be on show at NAMM's Tradex at Warwickshire Exhibition Centre near Leamington Spa and review latest developments in the memorials market, now facing direct competition from local authorities.

Training

Youngsters have left school and are looking for careers. For those who want to join the stone specialist sector of construction, the colleges and training centres have plenty of courses to offer – although their courses are not just for school leavers. *NSS* takes a look at what's on offer.

July/August

(To print: 20 July)

Natural & Engineered Stone: Trends

With so many stones to choose from, not to mention the engineered alternatives to natural materials, the wholesalers play a vital role in the supply chain of natural stone. *NSS* takes a look at their latest moves to help the processors.

NAMM Tradex

Report from NAMM's Tradex exhibition, with pictures of the exhibits and news from the show.

September

(To print: 17 August)

Annual Machinery Review

A detailed review of the latest developments in the machinery on offer to increase the efficiency of stonemasonry companies, including a preview of some of the launches at the Marmomacc stone exhibition in Verona, Italy.

October

(To print: 14 September)

Cleaning

New products and systems for cleaning stone inside and out continue to be developed. We review the latest developments

Diamond tooling

The latest developments in sawing and polishing from the makers of the tools used on machines that process stone

November

(To print: 12 October)

Water management

One of the reasons some stone systems do not score well in the *Green Guide* is because of the amount of water used in processing. Processors do not want to use a lot of water because it is expensive. We look at ways of

managing water use.

Consumables

Sealants for worktops and floors, consolidants for conservation, anti-graffiti applications for exteriors, maintenance products for consumers and cleaners.

December

(To print: 16 November)

Conservation and the Angel Awards

English Heritage presenting its Angel Awards to highlight the projects saved from the 'At Risk' register by the enthusiasm of volunteers provides an appropriate opportunity to look at the contribution natural stone makes to the built heritage.

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Housing

Stone companies are getting in on the housing boom – and as house prices rise the price of the materials used becomes less significant.

- Every issue of *Natural Stone Specialist* also carries reports of stone projects and companies within the industry as well as news and views from the industry.
- Natural Stone Specialist is the UK's only monthly magazine dedicated solely to the stone industry in the UK and Ireland.
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