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## EDITOR'S LETTER

It's been a relief to actually talk about ASMR freely this week. For the longest time I thought I was the only one watching these hard to explain videos of people tapping microphones with brushes or pretending to be dentists. But once we started to talk about the idea that eventually spawned the feature (page 18), I discovered practically everyone I know in the office has watched or listened to an ASMR artist. It was interesting to find out what gives others their tingles, too. A big pot of slime being squished, someone reading a book in a foreign language and, bizarrely, having an operation while awake. It's still odd trying to talk about ASMR to outsiders, but at least I'm not alone in enjoying the sound of dentists' tools.

Nathan Irvine, Editor





# NOTEBOOK

## DESKTOP

Sleeping at your desk has never been so easy thanks to this design by Gabriela Szałańska that's part of the Global Grad Show at D3 this week.

## EXHIBITS

## FACE THE FUTURE

**Dubai Design Week brings the creativity back to the emirate once again**

If there is one place in the world that's associated with inventive, creative design, it's Dubai. You only need to look up at the ever-evolving architecture to gauge that. Which is why Dubai Design Week, the region's largest creative festival, is so highly anticipated this year. Have you missed the memo for the last three years? Well, here's the lowdown: Over six days creative types from across all fields come together to offer an all-encompassing insight into the future of form and function. Whether your interest is in interior innovations or graphic design

advances, there's plenty of happenings to cater to your innovative quirks. Across the district expect entertainment (educational, of course) in the form of one-off events, colourful exhibitions, product showcases, thought-provoking talks, hands-on workshops, and unique interactive experiences. Oh, and in order to ensure your imagination is never squashed by cost, the entire event is free of charge. So all that's left is for you to feel inspired.

November 12-17, various locations  
[dubaidesignweek.ae](http://dubaidesignweek.ae)





## DON'T MISS

### OUR FAVOURITE DESIGN WEEK EVENTS

#### **The Creative Gym**

A workshop in which visitors will be handed wacky design prompts to see how they flex the brain.  
**November 15, 10-11am**

#### **Belief in AI**

This conference will bring together forces from fields such as engineering and academia to discuss AI.  
**November 12, 10am-7pm.**

#### **Making Space**

Visit the pop-up studio throughout the week for different family-friendly activities to sink teeth into.  
**Daily, 10am-10pm.**