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City  
update  
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## Vlaamsch Broodhuys introduces new cookies

### Vlaamsch Broodhuys stores

Vlaamsch Broodhuys bakes the way top chefs cook: by combining high-quality ingredients with culinary inspiration and years of experience. Their mission is to let people enjoy the best and healthiest bread. A pastry department and a deli were eventually added to the bakery. Pastries, cakes, sandwiches with a variety of toppings, and salads are prepared with the same philosophy and natural ingredients. Recently, Vlaamsch Broodhuys developed a brand new and utterly delicious assortment of homemade cookies. From sweet classics such as 'kletsoppen' and almond cookies for coffee, to savoury waffles which can be served with drinks.

> Now available at all Vlaamsch Broodhuys stores  
[Vlaamschbroodhuys.nl](http://Vlaamschbroodhuys.nl)

## Launch of new Rotterdam playmat

### Rotterdam Carpet Playmat

Parking at the Euromast, quickly passing by Blijdorp Zoo to watch Bokito or making a pitstop at the spring roll shop. And all of that simply in your living room or garden. Nultien Clothing brings out the first real Rotterdam Carpet Playmat including more than 20 Rotterdam icons. Nultien also donates one playmat for every 50 playmats sold to Sophia Children's Hospital. The first batch is available online. The playmats will also be sold at specialty stores in the city later on.

> Now available, online and in stores as De Kleine Kapitein, Hunnie and Carabas Toys  
[nultien.nu](http://nultien.nu)



## Boijmans library has been moved

### Museum library at the Rotterdam City Archives

The museum's library has relocated to the Rotterdam City Archives since 2 July. There is a special reading room for the library on the second floor of the archives. The library opening hours remain the same: from 11 AM to 4:30 PM, Tuesday to Friday. With 160,000 titles, the library of Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen is among the largest museum libraries in the Netherlands. You can consult the publications from the collection upon request.

> Rotterdam City Archives,  
 Hofdijk 651  
[stadsarchief.rotterdam.nl/en](http://stadsarchief.rotterdam.nl/en)

## Renewed shop Mecca for men

### Men's fashion department at De Bijenkorf

The men's fashion department at De Bijenkorf has recently expanded with many new brands such as Moncler, Dsquared2, Dolce & Gabbana, Valentino, Burberry, Alexander McQueen and Stone Island. The shoe department has also doubled to 400 square metres with many well-known brands. Not a big fan of shopping? You can also book a personal shopper. Sit down and relax while your stylist finds you the perfect outfit for a special occasion, a new business suit, or anything else you may have in mind.

> Now at De Bijenkorf Rotterdam  
[debijenkorf.nl](http://debijenkorf.nl)



## Spend the night in cultural heritage

### New studios in mill owner's home

The mill owner's home is part of a historic mill complex consisting of two snuff and spice mills that are still working; the former owner's home, which now houses a restaurant and a small cart factory where a sailing school is located. Beautiful cultural heritage in the middle of the Kralingse Bos. There are two studios with private parking in the mill owner's home. Both have a bedroom with a double bed and a sofa bed with space for two children. The studios can also be rented simultaneously with the possibility to connect them. The studios are now available at Airbnb, starting at €109 per night.

The volunteers of Foundation "Molens aan de Kralingse Plas" ensure that the mills remain in operation and gives guided tours. The entrance is at Molen De Ster, which is partly set up as a museum, but where you can also see how different herbs and spices are still being powdered.

Mills De Ster and De Lelie are open every Wednesday and every second Saturday of the month from 10 AM – 4 PM. Entrance is free.

Plazzoom 316, Kralingse Plas  
[demolenaarswoning.nl/](http://demolenaarswoning.nl/)



## Learning and understanding opera

### Opera course at De Doelen

The opera course is a joint initiative of De Doelen, Luxor Theater and Theater Rotterdam which aims to make opera understandable and accessible to everyone. The course takes the visitor past three operas in three different theatres, and every opera visit is preceded by a course evening. The three course evenings take place at De Doelen. Every evening starts with a general section about the history and historical development of the opera. After the break, a substantive part follows which is focused on the opera visited the following week. This year, you can also expand your course package with a performance at Pathé Schouwburgplein, where you can watch a live performance of the opera in New York.

Starting October 2019, Theater Rotterdam  
[dedoelen.nl/](http://dedoelen.nl/)

Wednesday, 2 October 2019 – course evening 1  
 Monday, 7 October 2019 Don Giovanni (Mozart)  
 – De Doelen (7:30 PM)  
 Wednesday, 18 March 2020 – course evening 2  
 Monday, 23 March 2020 De Parelvisers (Bizet)  
 – New Luxor Theater (8 PM)  
 Thursday, 16 April 2020 – course evening 3  
 Tuesday, 21 April 2020 Bride for Sale (Smetana)  
 – Rotterdamse Schouwburg (19:30 PM)  
 The course evenings take place at the Doelen  
 from 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM  
 Price opera course: € 148.50 per person  
 (3-course evenings + 3 x first-class tickets, incl.  
 discount on the tickets).

## Mother and daughter in business!

**Opening Margreeth Olsthoorn and JIP**  
Margreeth Olsthoorn (known from Rotterdam's high-end fashion store with the same name) just opened a new multi-brand store together with her daughter Jip, by the name "MARGREETH OLSTHOORN x JIP \_ Downtown". This multi-brand store is not only distinctive due to the collaboration with daughter Jip, but also through an innovative compilation of styles. At MARGREETH OLSTHOORN x JIP \_ Downtown, high-end fashion brands are mixed with upcoming, underground labels. The concept for the interior of this new store is a collaboration between Elma Boxel from architecture firm ZUS and artist Jeroen Koolhaas, while the execution of the interior is in the hands of Studio GriD. The store also hosts a DJ booking office and a nail studio, because as daughter Jip says, "nothing is about just one thing anymore these days."

**Open since July, Kruiskade 70**  
[shop.margreetholsthoorn.nl/](http://shop.margreetholsthoorn.nl/)



## Botanical festival

**'s Zomers flower shop is transforming into a botanical warehouse**

After 25 years, it is time for 's Zomers Bloemen to exchange their flower shop on Oldenbarneveltstraat for a new location. With their motto 'Change is good', they open a new location spanning 550 square metres at the iconic Hofbogen in Rotterdam Noord. At this place, which is three times the size of the old store, they will open a Botanical Warehouse where their exuberant creativity with flowers and interior decoration comes into its own. In addition to the flower shop, there will also be more room for the studio that has worked on various major projects such as decorating the Foodhallen, NHOV Rotterdam and Joelia. There is also a room for hospitality. The new location opens in the autumn. Until then, a Botanical Festival has been set up outside: a kind of pre-party where you can buy your flowers and have a sneak preview of the new place.

**Boekhorststraat 44-54, 3032 AB Rotterdam**  
[zomersbloemen.nl/](http://zomersbloemen.nl/)

## New event location

**A rooftop terrace with skyline views is now for rent!**

This summer, the Van Tijen terrace opens on the top floor of Het Industriegebouw. The location on the fifth floor has been restored to its original 1951 state, yet includes today's modern facilities. A brand new location for workshops, meetings, drinks, private dining (up to 75 guests) and other events. While the venue is centrally located, catering will be organised by local partners. It is a room and terrace in one, with adjustable frames. When the weather is good, the room can be opened completely on one side, combining inside and outside and creating one large balcony with great skyline views!

**Open since end July, Goudsesingel 52-214**  
[hetindustriegebouw.nl/](http://hetindustriegebouw.nl/)



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## Learn how to dance

**New season of dance classes for adults**

On 2 September, the new season of dance classes at 010 Dance Programm kicks off. For 12 weeks (until 25 November), adult amateur dancers of all levels can join several dance classes such as classical ballet, modern dance and dance workout. Part of the course is taught by Margriet, the other part by Yannick, which means that you will

have two different styles, lessons and choreographies for the price of one. All lessons take place at the studios of Scapino Ballet Rotterdam. You can also start the course later on during the programme.

**This autumn, Scapino Ballet Studios**  
[010danceprogramm.com](http://010danceprogramm.com)



## Gold medal gin

**Sir Edmond Gin wins gold medal in London**

Sir Edmond Gin (founded in 2016) is the world's first vanilla-infused gin, developed and bottled in collaboration with distillery Herman Jansen in Schiedam. The use of bourbon vanilla as their main botanical ingredient, makes the gin very versatile and appealing to a wide audience. This summer, Sir Edmond Gin was awarded a gold medal at The Global Spirits Business Masters. A panel of spirits experts found the Dutch brand to be one of the best in the Super Premium category, calling the gin "perfectly balanced."

**Distillery Herman Jansen, Zijlstraat 2-6, 3111 PS Schiedam**  
[siredmondgin.com](http://siredmondgin.com)



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