

## David Cotterrell: Searchlight Book Launch

Event Name: North East Festival of Architecture  
 Venue/Location: The Place, Athenaeum Street, Sunderland  
 Date: 23rd June 2009  
 Chair/Other Speakers:  
 Ben Hall

A book documenting the project, Searchlight was launched at the 2009 North East Festival of Architecture at a talk by David on the development of the work.

Searchlight is the story of a politically influential art event. Offering an alternative public art model to the monumental sculpture traditionally aligned with inner-city regeneration, it is an experimental journey through technology, contested territories and fragmented communities.

This publication celebrates the risk and uncertainty of the project, drawing attention to unresolved questions being explored by Britain's public art community as it seeks to re-evaluate its relationship to context.

Further information about the publication may be downloaded as a one page document [here](#).

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**David Cotterrell Talk**  
 Tuesday 23 June 2009  
 6.30 - 8.30pm  
 Drinks served from 6pm



Internationally renowned installation artist David Cotterrell has been extensively commissioned to carry out innovative projects across the globe. His work relating to inner city urbanism led to a commission by regeneration company Sunderland arc to engage with disused sites in the city - ahead of their transformation. The project resulted in a book - Searchlight - which will be launched at this year's Festival as part of a talk by David. He will speak about his area of highly influential work and reflect on its role in Sunderland's journey of regeneration.

David will also be taking part in "Revolution to Recycle Buildings" on the evening of Monday 22 June. A conversation about the alternative use of empty spaces and places.

**The Place, Sunnyside  
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