

Avenir

If the future is a perspective, we should start designing it today. Wenn Zukunft eine Perspektive ist, dann sollte man in der Gegenwart damit beginnen, sie zu gestalten. L'avenir est une perspective? Alors commençons dès aujourd'hui à le concevoir.

Adrian Frutiger

The source of the originals



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»Everything we do today «C'est aujourd'hui • Alles Was aujourd'hui • Alles Was

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Adrian Frutiger Von Anfang an war ich davon überzeugt, dass die Avenir die

bessere Futura sei. Akira Kobayashi Das sehe ich ebenso, aber es fehlen Schnitte, die die Avenir universeller einsetzbar machen. Sie meinen die Condensed Schnitte? Ja, ich glaube schon, dass die Avenir mit dieser Erweiterung ihren Weg gehen wird. Dann machen wir uns an die Arbeit und bringen die Avenir auf den Weg ... Ja.

Adrian Frutiger Dès le départ, j'étais convaincu que l'Avenir était meilleur que le Futura.

Akira Kobayashi Je suis d'accord avec vous. Mais il manque des déclinaisons qui feraient de l'Avenir un caractère multi-usage. Vous pensez aux déclinaisons étroites? Oui, avec ce complément, l'Avenir devrait trouver sa voie plus aisément. Alors, qu'attendons-nous pour mettre l'Avenir en route? Rien!

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The Beautiful Stranger or why there's now an Avenir Next

While Adrian Frutiger has created such famous typefaces as Univers or Frutiger, another matter has remained very close to his heart - the design of his linear sans serif - the Avenir

In 1988, the Swiss typeface designer first presented Avenir to the public, which already at that time marked an excellent alternative to other well known typefaces such as Futura® or Avant Garde®. Compared to the mere metric construction of other typefaces, Avenir was convincing because of its optical construction which lent it a more humane appearance, as seen, for instance, in the classically drawn »a«.

Avenir was originally released with 6 weights for which Frutiger had carefully selected the increments in line thickness. In typographical practice, however, this proved to be a limiting factor, along with the missing bold weights. Hence, the true potential of Avenir as a contemporary typeface failed to be recognized.

The love of linear symbols

Adrian Frutiger has completely reworked the Avenir type family in close cooperation with Akira Kobayashi, Type Director at Linotype. The result is the Avenir Next with harmoniously incremented weights and matching condensed versions.

Avenir Next comes in 4 typeface sets, Regular, Italic, Condensed and Condensed Italic, each equipped with 6 different stem weights. All 24 weights include true small caps and old style figures.

Avenir Next thereby now offers an optimal balance of harmony and contrast. With the addition of the condensed variants, Avenir Next represents a full-fledged contemporary grotesque, providing professional graphic designers with the greatest degree of typographical flexibility and optimal legibility.

Die schöne Unbekannte oder warum es eine Avenir Next aibt

Obwohl Adrian Frutiger so berühmte Schriften wie die Univers oder Frutiger schuf, lag ihm der Entwurf seiner Linear-Grotesk besonders am Herzen: die Avenir.

1988 präsentierte der schweizer Schriftgestalter die Avenir: schon damals eine hervorragende Alternative zu bekannten Schriften, wie beispielsweise der Futura® oder der Avant Garde®. Neben dem klassisch gezeichneten »a« überzeugte die Avenir von Anfang an durch ihre optische Konstruktion, die ihr ein humaneres Erscheinungsbild verlieh als es die rein metrisch konstruierten Schriften hatten.

Die Avenir hatte damals 6 Schnitte. Ihre Strichstärkenabstufung wurde von Frutiger sehr fein gewählt, was sich neben der fehlenden fetten Ausprägung als Hemmnis im typografischen Einsatz erwies. Die Avenir als zeitgenössische Schrift und ihr wahres Potenzial wurden verkannt.

Die Liebe zum linearen Zeichen

Adrian Frutiger überarbeitete komplett in enger Zusammenarbeit mit dem Type Director der Linotype, Akira Kobayashi, die Avenir. Entstanden ist die Avenir Next mit 6 harmonisch abgestuften Schnitten und den passenden Condensed-Versionen.

Die Avenir Next ist mit 4 Garnituren in jeweils 6 verschiedenen Strichstärken ausgestattet: Regular, Italic, Condensed und Condensed Italic. Alle 24 Schnitte enthalten echte Kapitälchen und Mediävalziffern.

Die Avenir Next bietet nun ein Optimum an Harmonie und Kontrast. Mit der Erweiterung um die Condensed-Variante präsentiert sich die Avenir Next als eine moderne Groteske, die anspruchsvollen Designern ein größtmögliches Maß an typografischer Flexibilität bei optimaler Lesbarkeit bietet.

is a foundation for tomorrow. que nous jetons les bases de l'avenir. Avenir Next Medium Condensed

Un bel inconnu ou la raison d'être de l'Avenir Next

Après avoir créé des familles très renommées tel les Univers et Frutiger, concevoir une linéale géométrique tel l'Avenir, était un projet qui tenait particulièrement à cœur Adrian Frutiger.

C'est en 1988, que ce créateur de caractères suisse a présenté l'Avenir, reconnu dès lors comme une parfaite alternative aux caractères Futura® et Avant Garde®. Outre le «a» de structure traditionnelle, l'Avenir avait convaincu dès le départ par son aspect plus humain et son équilibre optique; moins présents dans les linéales géométriques habituelles.

Conçu dès le départ en 6 séries, Frutiger avait choisi une graduation très subtile des graisses. Malheureusement, dans les applications typographiques, cette qualité devint une limitation. Cette limite n'aida pas à la reconnaissance du potentiel de l'Avenir comme caractère contemporain.

L'amour du linéaire

Adrian Frutiger a maintenant complétement retravaillé l'Avenir en étroite collaboration avec Akira Kobayashi, Type Director, Linotype. Le résultat est une famille offrant 6 graisses plus contrastées de l'extra maigre au noir ainsi que leurs déclinaisons étroites.

L'Avenir Next comprend 4 séries de base déclinées dans 6 graisses: romain, italique, étroit, étroit italique. Chacunes des 24 graisses intégrant de vraies petites capitales et des chiffres minuscules dit « elzéviriens. »

L'Avenir Next offre maintenant une excellente balance entre harmonie et contraste. Avec ses déclinaisons étroites, l'Avenir Next représente la linéale géométrique contemporaine par excellence. Sa flexibilité et sa lisibilité plaira aux graphistes les plus exigeants.

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Diversity by Unity

Thanks to systematically harmonized stem weights in various widths and degrees of boldness, Avenir Next is now perfectly suitable for complex design solutions. 24 weights including true small caps provide a wide variety of individual application possibilities, while still ensuring a unified overall appearance.

Vielfalt durch Einheit

Aufgrund der systematisch aufeinander abgestimmten Schriftschnitte in verschiedenen Breite- und Fettegraden eignet sich die Avenir Next nun in idealer Weise für komplexe Design-Lösungen. 24 Schriftschnitte mit echten Kapitälchen bieten eine große Vielfalt an individuellen Anwendungsmöglichkeiten, wobei ein einheitlicher Gesamteindruck gewahrt bleibt.

Cohérence diversifiée

Avec ses déclinaisons de graisses conçues en harmonie, déclinées dans de nombreuses chasses, l'Avenir est aujourd'hui parfaitement adapté aux problématiques de design complexes. 24 graisses intégrant de vraies petites capitales permettent un large panel d'utilisations, tout en offrant une cohérence visuelle de l'ensemble.











Dutch design is often one step ahead of the rest of the world.

The City of Amsterdam was the first metropolis to fully adopt Avenir, thereby winning the coveted Dutch Corporate Identity Prize in 2003.

Niederländisches Design ist oftmals einen Schritt voraus. Als erste Metropole setzt

Als erste Metropole setz die Stadt Amsterdam ganz auf die Avenir und gewann damit den begehrten Dutch Corporate Identity Price 2003. Le graphisme hollandais est aux avant-postes de l'inventivité.
Amsterdam est la première capitale qui adopta l'Avenir et remporta le très convoité Dutch Corporate Identity Price 2003.



The future can already be found in the present.



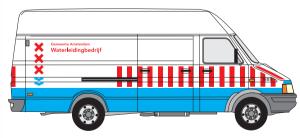










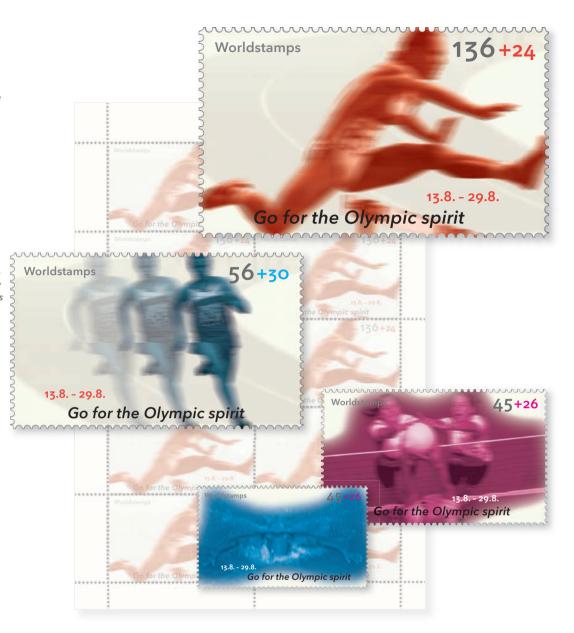


The corporate identity of the City of Amsterdam was developed by Eden Design & Communication in close collaboration with Thonik.

Modern design demands state-of-the-art typography: a grand entrance for Avenir on sportthemed postal stamps.

Moderne Gestaltung braucht aktuelle Typografie: Großer Auftritt für die Avenir auf Briefmarken für den Sport.

Le graphisme contemporain nécessite des caractères de haut niveau. La thématique sportive de cette collection de timbres est une entrée en matière rêvée pour l'Avenir.



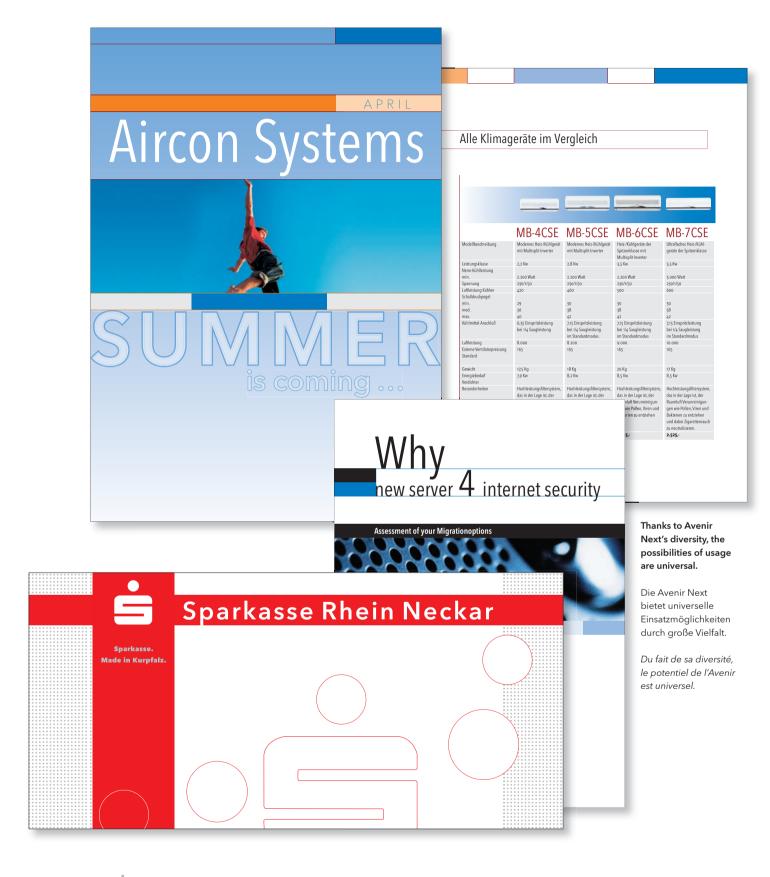


As seen here, Avenir is highly convincing in everyday use with its attractive forms and easy legibility. Die Avenir überzeugt in der Alltagskommunikation wie in den gezeigten Anwendungen durch ihre Formschönheit und gute Lesbarkeit.

Comme vous pouvez voir ici, l'Avenir, avec ses formes lisibles et attractives, est très convaincant dans un usage de tous les jours.

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Adrian Frutiger

Adrian Frutiger is considered one of the most important typeface artists of the 20th century. Born in Switzerland in 1928, he trained in the craft of typesetting at a young age. His outstanding diploma thesis entitled »The Development of the Latin Alphabet « included eight xylographs and marked the beginning of Frutiger's international career as a typeface designer.

Frutiger has been the creator of such internationally renowned typefaces as Avenir™, Linotype Centennial™, Frutiger™, Icone™, Meridien™ and Univers™.

Adrian Frutiger

Adrian Frutiger gilt als einer der bedeutendsten Schriftkünstler des 20. Jahrhunderts. 1928 in der Schweiz geboren, lernte er das Handwerk des Schriftsetzers. Mit seiner herausragenden Diplomarbeit »Die Entwicklung des lateinischen Alphabets«, die aus acht Holzschnitttafeln bestand, begann Frutigers internationale Karriere als Schriftgestalter.

Aus Frutigers Hand entstanden weltbekannte Schriften: z.B. Avenir™, Linotype Centennial™, Frutiger™, Icone™, Meridien™ und Univers™.

Adrian Frutiger

Adrian Frutiger est considéré comme un des meilleurs créateurs de caractères du XX° siècle. Né en Suisse en 1928, il a appris dans son jeune age, le métier de compositeur. C'est son mémoire de fin d'étude «Le développement de l'alphabet latin» incluant huit gravures sur bois de haute qualité, qui a définitivement tracé l'Avenir de créateur de caractères du jeune Frutiger.

C'est de la main de Frutiger que sont apparues les fontes de renommée internationale tel l'Avenir™, le Linotype Centennial™, le Frutiger™, le Icone™, le Meridien™ ou encore l'Univers™.

Aside from his famous Univers family, Adrian Frutiger has created many other

Adrian Frutiger schuf neben seiner berühmten Univers viele weitere bekannte Schriften wie z. B. die Linotype Centennial oder auch

well known typefaces such as Linotype Centennial and Meridien

die Meridien, die vielseitige Vectora oder auch die Versailles, sowie viele weitere Schriften, die bei der Linotype erhältlich sind.

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Outre son fameux Univers, Frutiger a créé des caractères typographiques de renommée mondiale tel le Linotype Centennial, le Meridien,

typefaces which are also available from Linotype.

ou encore le très puissant Vectora, le Versailles, et de nombreux autres caractères également disponibles chez Linotype.

In his over 40 years of typeface experience, Frutiger took major influence on the development of type design for hot metal, phototypesetting and digital typography as well.

Numerous prizes distinguish his pioneering work in the fields of typography and the graphic arts. In über 40 Jahren als Schriftschaffender hat er die Entwicklung vom Bleisatz über den Fotosatz bis hin zum digitalen Satz mitgestaltet.

Zahlreiche Preise honorieren sein bahnbrechendes Schaffen auf typografischem und freikünstlerischem Terrain. Avec 40 ans de carrière derrière lui, Frutiger a contribué dans une large mesure au développement de la composition plomb, photocompostion photo et typographie numérique.

De nombreux prix ont honorés ses travaux dans les domaines de la typographie et du graphisme.

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Platinum Collection

The Exclusive Collection

The Platinum Collection is an exclusive series of optimized classic typefaces from Linotype. In close collaboration with world-famous type desigers, Linotype has produced reworked, expanded typeface families that are both technologically and aesthetically up to date. These new typeface families have fine, harmonious weights; some have new italic weights and often come complete with Small Caps and Old style figures. All Platinum Collection typeface families have fine-tuned and perfected character fitting and forms.

The Linotype Platinum
Collection currently includes the typeface families listed below.
Further projects are in preparation.

Platinum Collection

Die exklusive Sammlung

Die Platinum Collection bildet die Exklusivserie von Linotype, in welcher die Linotype Klassiker perfektioniert wurden. In enger Zusammenarbeit mit den berühmtesten Schriftgestaltern entstanden grundlegend überarbeitete, vollständig ausgebaute Schriftfamilien, die technologisch und gestalterisch auf dem neuesten Stand sind. Diese neuen Schriftfamilien haben feine, harmonisch aufeinander abgestimmte Strichstärken, sind teilweise mit neuen Kursivschnitten ausgestattet und enthalten oft umfangreiche Ergänzungen mit Kapitälchen und Mediävalziffern. Alle Familien wurden in Form und Zurichtung verfeinert und perfektioniert.

Zurzeit besteht die Platinum Collection von Linotype aus unten aufgeführten Schriftfamilien. Weitere Projekte sind in Vorbereitung.

Platinum Collection

La collection de luxe

La « Platinum Collection » est la série de luxe de Linotype, offrant une version perfectionnée des classiques de celle-ci. En étroite collaboration avec les créateurs de caractères les plus éminents sont nées des familles de caractères profondément remaniées et complétées qui répondent aux exigences contemporaines, tant pour la technologie que pour l'esthétique. Ces nouvelles familles se caractérisent par des épaisseurs de trait élégantes, harmonieusement accordées entre elles, certaines comportent de nouvelles graisses pour les italiques. Souvent, elles offrent aussi des compléments importants de petites capitales et de chiffres elzéviriens. La forme et la chasse de caractères de toutes ces familles ont été affinées et perfectionnées.

A l'heure actuelle, la « Platinum Collection » de Linotype se compose des familles de caractères ci-dessous. D'autres sont en préparation.

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