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Tweets that caught our eye this month – KBB BIRMINGHAM SPECIAL

@**RichrdMoss** Saw seminar on showroom design hosted by Grahame Morrison (@gjmtweets) – the packed crowd was just one indicator of the positive buzz @kbbllive

@**Masterclass_ST** Show over. Thanks to all from @Masterclasskitc – it's been a fantastic show for all involved

@**kbbllive** "Customers want to connect with you as a brand, and to feel that you understand them" – Warren Knight @wvrknight #kbb14 #seminar

@**XeyKitchens** Such a great show put on by #kbb2014 that we have now booked for the May Design Series show as well

@**kbbllive** "Great staff are the forefront of everything you design and do in the showroom" – Tony Murphy of @TileStyle #kbb14 #seminars

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Kitchens International Scoop Three at Awards

Scottish retailer Kitchens International won three trophies at last month's *kbbreview* Awards event in Birmingham. The company won Kitchen Retailer of the Year, and there were wins for designers Kieron Bell and Ailsa Howorth.

Among the other winners on the night were Andrew Rizza of Dorset-based Dream Design who won Kitchen Designer of the Year (over £50,000) and Bathroom Designer of the Year (over £20,000), and Colin Wong of Development Direct who won Bathroom Contract Designer of the Year.

Two special achievement awards were presented this year, with former Hansgrohe UK Managing Director Iain McKinlay and Ripples Founder and Chairman Roger Kyme both being recognised for their contributions to the industry.

In Brief

The Bathroom Manufacturers Association has confirmed that the Bathroom and Kitchen Business Conference will take place on 7 October 2014. The event will once again return to Heythrop Park, Enstone, Oxfordshire. It will include kitchens in its programme for the first time.

www.bandkconf2014.blogspot.co.uk