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## GLOBAL FASHION BRAND TO OPEN STANDALONE NOTTINGHAM STORE

Major fashion brand Universal Works are set to open a new standalone store in their hometown of Nottingham in a deal brokered by FHP Property Consultants.

Universal Works was founded in Nottingham by David Keyte and Stephanie Porritt in 2009, they have seen huge growth over recent years and now boasts an impressive following, the brand is now stocked across more than 300 stores globally.

The new standalone Nottingham shop follows after they have outgrown their current space above Rough Trade in Nottingham's Hockley. The new shop is situated in a prominent position at 120-122 Derby Road and forms part of the exciting Canning Chambers redevelopment, the new shop has accommodation over ground floor and basement measuring approximately 1,126ft<sup>2</sup>.

Canning Chambers is a stunning period building at the top of Derby Road on the edge of Nottingham city centre. After standing derelict for many years the building was purchased by landlord Wollaton Nottingham Limited who have undertaken major refurbishment in and out to create a beautiful, sympathetic mixed use building comprising residential upper floors and retail space at ground and basement levels.

David Keyte, co-founder of Universal Works, comments:-

"We have outgrown our current space within Rough Trade so are really pleased to be opening the doors to a bigger and bolder, standalone store on Derby Road. We are not your typical 'high street' kind of operator and prefer alternative neighbourhood style locations with potential and community spirit. Derby Road has evolved over the last few years and we can't wait to open the doors and become part of the community here."

Oliver Marshall, Director at FHP comments:-

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"The letting to Universal Works is a major step forward for the location on Derby Road, but also for the city of Nottingham, showcasing the success of a homegrown business. This a really exciting brand with a massive following and hopefully it will encourage more brands to the area and Nottingham.

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Derby Office North Point | Cardinal Square | 10 Nottingham Road | Derby | DE1 3QT This section of Derby Road has improved so much over the years and is now an exciting location on the edge of the city centre with a really eclectic mix of retail, leisure, offices and residential creating a community feel.

We are also marketing the 2 units adjacent to Universal Works part of the same development and have some very good interest from more exciting businesses."

FHP acted on behalf of private landlord Wollaton Nottingham Limited to secure the letting to Universal Works at 120-122 Derby Road. The property comprises a prominent double fronted retail unit with a ground floor area of 578ft<sup>2</sup> and basement ancillary of 548ft<sup>2</sup>. Universal Works have committed to a long term lease of the property, they have fitted out the property to a high standard and the doors open to the public on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

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