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The 'Instant Ping Pong Pack' makes its promotional debut in front of the Sky Sports cameras at Hayward Gallery in the Southbank Centre, South East London.

The IPP Pack is the new product from the English Table Tennis Association (ETTA) that will help to bring social table tennis into locations across the country from pubs, bars and clubs, to schools, sports halls and offices.

On Thursday 15th October the ETTA, in conjunction with social table tennis event organisers Pongathon and arts centre Hayward Gallery, will provide a number of IPP Packs to coincide with the new 'Art of Change' exhibit at the gallery.

The 'Art of Change' exhibits the latest in cutting edge contemporary Chinese art up until December 2012 with Wang Jianwei's 'Surplus Value' – a dramatic and exciting ping pong table corrugated with deep lying ridges along its length, providing an almost impossible obstacle for any players to overcome.



Throughout the day, Sky Sports crews will be around filming the event for their <u>'Get Involved' programme</u> which aims to get people involved in a number of sports during its slot on Sky Sports News on Saturday mornings.

As part of the spectacle, event partners Pongathon will put on the 'Surplus Value Pongathon Challenge'. In this,

players will battle against the centerpiece table to try and establish the highest number of successful bounces during 60 seconds in order to win free cocktails from the bar.



The 'Art of Change' exhibition will be available until December 2012 so don't forget to get yourself to the Southbank Centre before the exhibition closes!

If you want to experience table tennis at its best then why not get yourself to <u>Portsmouth on Tuesday 20th</u> <u>November</u> for the European qualifier between England and Netherlands? Tickets are just £7 for adults and £4 for concessions.

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