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B&O PLAY PARTNER WITH SAINT LAURENT

B&O Play by Bang & Olufsen (B&O) has announced a collaboration with Parisian fashion house Saint Laurent. Marking the event, the two brands have created a co-signed series of three collector objects: the Beoplay A9, Beoplay H9 wireless speakers, and the Beoplay P2 bluetooth headphones.



all of which are branded with the Saint Laurent logo. Each of these newly updated B&O Play products offer Bang & Olufsen's signature sound, most notably seen in the premium Beoplay A9 model. The Saint Laurent edition builds on the speaker's acoustic performance, created in an all-black design with a silver printed logo on the back.

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TRADESCANT BY LANSERRING

Adding a more personal approach to kitchen, furniture and homeware design, Lanserring unveils Tradescant. The series of designs draws inspiration from John Tradescant the Elder – a 16th-century English botanist and collector who created the Cabinet of Curiosity. In keeping with the Lanserring aesthetic, all of the furniture in the series is bespoke, encouraging



a mix of styles, materials and form to reflect the eclectic interiors of the Tradescant era. Created by four key figures in the world of design, Lanserring is the result of a partnership between former Creative Director of Smallbone, Andrew Hays, architect Kimm Kovac and brothers Bernd and Johann Radaschitz, who own and run a family joinery business, which was founded in 1923.

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RIEDEL CRYSTAL UNVEILS AMADEO DECANTER

Riedel Crystal has announced that its new Amadeo Double Magnum Rainbow Decanter will be sold in aid of the Elton John AIDS Foundation. A limited edition of 50 decanters have been produced worldwide, with Riedel donating £2,000 from sales to the foundation. Elton John commented:



'We are delighted that Riedel is donating funds to support the work of the foundation; funds we can use to promote compassion in the fight against HIV'. The Amadeo Double Magnum Rainbow is mouth-blown in the Kufstein glassworks, and handcrafted to display the colours of the rainbow and sharing the same elegant form as a harp.

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UXUS REVEALS PLANS FOR BLOOMINGDALE'S STORE IN KUWAIT

Multidisciplinary design agency, UXUS has unveiled its designs for the second international location for the US department store Bloomingdale's. Following the success of Bloomingdale's Dubai, which opened in 2010, UXUS has designed the Kuwait branch to reflect the New-York style



elegance behind the Bloomingdale's heritage. Inside the retail space, UXUS have focused on the consumer journey, combining digital and physical merchandise displays. Personalised services and VIP touch points are available throughout the store, and there is an emphasis on curated product placement to encourage shoppers to explore alternative options.

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AXEL VERVOORDT LAUNCHES KANAAL

Offering a brand new cultural and residential complex located in Belgium, the Kanaal project, led by designer Axel Vervoordt, features exhibition spaces, a multi-use auditorium and works by major artists, such as Anish Kapoor and Marina Abramović. As the realisation of



the company's vision to create a diverse venue, the Kanaal project combines culture and art with residential and commercial aspects, all of which are surrounded by nature. Originally built in 1857, the former malting distillery has been transformed over the past decade into a 55,000 square-meter complex, complete with 98 apartments and 30 offices, including the Vervoordt company's offices, research facilities and workshops.