

New York, Did You Hear?

Savoir Beds Hosts Major Sample Sale, 1stdibs Gallery Welcomes New Dealers, and More News in New York

Here's what you need to know

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The rotating installation at the 1stdibs Gallery.

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The New York design world is always busy. Keeping up to date on all the news can be tough, which is why we're here to give you the news roundup for New York, a one-stop shop for everything you need to know.

Sales

Savoir Beds Hosts Ex-Display Sample Sale

It's not every day that designers can sell their clients on a \$50,000 bed. Luckily, decorator favorite Savoir Beds is launching its sample sale of former display models, where shoppers can get up to 50% off certain models. The sale includes the company's classic options as well as collaborations with leading design talents. The offer runs through the end of July, and is going on at both the brand's uptown location at 223 East 59th Street, and downtown location at 54 Greene Street.

Georg Jensen Holds Moving Sale

Known for its sleek houseware designs, Danish brand Georg Jensen is hosting a moving sale from August 5 to 9 at the brand's 580 Broadway showroom in Suite 203. The company will be offering steep discounts—up to 80% off the typical retail price—on all products.

Openings

1stdibs Gallery Unveils New Installations and Exhibitors

After opening its gallery just south of Hudson Yards in February, 1stdibs is welcoming several new installations and exhibitors to its expansive space. Vitra, WYETH, and FK Gallery are all opening booths to showcase their designs. Equinocial, Opiary, R & Company, and Artek will also display new installations in the space. The 1stdibs gallery is located at 269 11th Avenue.

Roman and Williams's Latest Hotel Opens

In the latest addition to Central Park South, Le Méridien New York, Central Park, debuted last week. The Roman and Williams–designed hotel features sweeping views of the park and the Manhattan skyline. The design is meant to feel European, and brings French-inspired touches to each of the 240 guest rooms. The building, converted from the former Viceroy Central Park, also designed by the firm, is the brand's first location in New York City.

Events

New York Botanical Garden Announces 2020 Exhibition

The New York Botanical Garden has announced that the institution's next major annual exhibition will feature Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama. The showcase will highlight a wide range of the artist's creations across various formats, and will also debut several new works created specifically for the exhibit. The show will run from May 2 to November 1, 2020, across the garden's 250-acre property and in the site's historic buildings.

Product Launch

Dutch East Design Debuts New Products and Offerings

At a launch event last week, Dutch East Design debuted a series of chairs called the Float Collection, a collaboration with Jamie Stern. The kickoff also celebrated the start of a custom design program for the brand's Baker Street sofa, which can now be built to order with different fabric and metal options.

Business

Morpholio Board App Partners Up with Theia Interactive and Knoll

App developer Morpholio has announced a new partnership with Theia Interactive and Knoll to bring augmented-reality technology to the design world. The joint-effort app brings Knoll's archive of design-forward products into users' surroundings, allowing them to project icons like a Barcelona chair or a Wassily chair into a room to see how it would look and fit. The renderings and projections have highly specific detailing, to reflect the style and design of the room. "There is simply no replacement for seeing something in your space to test the scale and feel—especially when trying to help a client visualize your proposal," says developer and Morpholio co-founder Anna Kenoff. "Before, it was generally cost and time prohibitive to bring actual sofas, chairs, and even light fixtures into someone's home to test. With augmented reality furniture, it's simple. This promises to make our job easier, as we can test any number of options in a space to make more informed decisions."