

plenty to offer. Make sure to balance your checkbook before diving into the bidding on the two-day Furniture and Decorative Arts sale. **Leslie Hindman Auctioneers**, 1338 W Lake St between Elizabeth and Ada Sts (312-280-1212, lesliehindman.com). El: Pink, Green to Ashland. Bus: 9 Ashland (24hrs). Sun 5, Mon 6 at noon.

Lara Miller trunk show This local designer is practically a household name in Chicago, but chances are you haven't had the chance to put a face to the label. Meet the maker of simply elegant, deliciously soft womenswear in person at this daylong trunk show while checking out her fall collection and enjoying wine and cheese. **Florodora**, 1330 S Dearborn St between Jackson Blvd and Van Buren St (312-212-8860). El: Orange, Brown, Purple (rush hrs) to Library. Fri 3, noon-6pm.

1921 Jeanstrunk show Paul and Leena (a.k.a. P+L) of this charming Lakeview boutique are two of the friendliest shop owners you'll ever encounter, and this week they're being extra friendly. Visit the shop this evening to check out the denim styles for fall and spring by 1921, place custom orders and receive yet-to-be-announced discounts and giveaways. Plus, you can count on body paint, gourmet cupcakes and Champagne. **P+L Boutique**, 2956 N Clark St at Wellington St (773-248-3758). Bus: 22 (24hrs), 36, 76. Thu 2, 5:30-9:30pm.

Julian Roberts appearance Whether you're a seasoned pro or just entering design school, chances are you could improve on your pattern-cutting. Lucky for the local designers out there, this U.K. designer (who's creative director of Julian, a visiting lecturer at the Royal College of Art in London and fashion consultant to the BBC) is in town to teach his "subtraction cutting" technique. The event is free, but you must R.S.V.P. at chicagofashionresource.com.

Shop CHICAGO Gen Art's seasonal shopping event puts more than 40 emerging designers under one roof, for your shopping convenience. Take a break at the Shop Chicago Beauty Lounge with mini spa treatments. Though this event is free, a \$40 VIP ticket is available; it includes an hour of pre-shopping, access to a VIP lounge with bubbly and treats and a gift bag. You must be 21 or older; reservations are required. **Millennium Park**, Chase Promenade, 55 N Michigan Ave between Randolph St and Jackson Blvd. El: Pink, Orange, Green, Brown, Purple (rush hrs) to Randolph; Blue to Washington; Red to Lake. Bus: 3, 4 (24hrs), 14, 124, 145, 151 (24hrs), 157. Fri 3, 2-4pm.

Suite Dreams event We'll admit it, even we go to the pages of *Domino* every month for tips on home decorating. But today you don't have to hit the mag to get the best ideas. Instead, head to the department store to hear what *Domino* and Macy's design experts have to say about creating a luxury-hotel experience in your bedroom and bathroom. Enjoy eats and drinks while you're at it. R.S.V.P. by calling 1-866-252-0450. **Macy's**, 111 N State St at Washington St (312-781-1000, macys.com). El: Red to Lake; Blue to Washington; Brown, Orange, Purple (rush hrs) to State/Lake. Sat 4 at 2pm.

Wine, Women & Shoes Pair vino with kicks at this fashion-focused benefit for UNICEF's initiatives to save the lives of kids in 25 African countries. Your ticket entitles you to wine tastings, hors d'oeuvres, a fashion show and the chance to browse designer shoe collections and bid in a silent auction that includes a trip for four to Napa Valley. See Bites & benders, page 33. **River East Art Center**, 435 E Illinois St between McClurg Ct and Lake Shore Dr (312-321-1001, reac.vflx.com). Bus: 2, 29, 66 (24hrs), 124, 136. Thu 2, 6-9:30pm. \$85-\$185.

WIRED NextFest This fest, now in its fifth year, takes a look at some amazing innovations that could transform the way we live. Hosted by *WIRED* magazine, the

futuristic showcase features more than 30 displays, including highlights such as the Immersa-Dome multisensory virtual-reality system; Solazyme microalgae renewable energy; Hanson Robotics' emotional robot boy Zenzi; and an affordable, energy-efficient water filtration system. **Millennium Park**, Michigan Ave between Monroe and Randolph Sts. El: Red to Monroe; Blue to Washington; Pink, Orange, Green, Brown, Purple (rush hrs) to Randolph. Bus: 3, 4 (24hrs), 14, 124, 145, 157. Sat 4, 11am-7pm.

Sales

Fashion Lab Shopping at stores such as H&M often means you usually look like everyone else. Mix things up by making a purchase at the Chicago Tourism Center, where students from Columbia College, the Art Institute and more will be showcasing—and selling—their one-of-a-kind pieces. We can't think of a better way to stand out from the crowd. **Chicago Tourism Center**, 72 E Randolph St at Garland Ct (312-744-6630). El: Red to Lake; Blue to Washington; Orange, Green, Brown, Pink, Purple (rush hrs) to Randolph. Sat 4, 1-4pm.

Panache You can never have too many friends (especially friends with money when you're in the boutique business), so this Lincoln Park boutique is offering 25% off entire purchases for all new clients this weekend. Then when you celebrate its 25th birthday next month, you'll have the clothes to do it up just right. **2252 N Clark St at Belden Ave** (773-477-4537, panachechicago.com). El: Red, Brown, Purple (rush hrs) to Fullerton. Bus: 22 (24hrs), 36, 74. Sat 4, 10am-6pm; Sun 5, noon-5pm.

Susanne Siegel jewelry sale A little extra bling has never hurt anyone, especially when it comes with a discount. Drop by this designer's new studio and peruse her selection of exotic gemstone jewels marked 10-40% off. **Cornelia Arts Building**, 1800 W Cornelia Ave at Ravenswood Ave (773-935-1854). El: Brown to Addison. Bus: 11 Lincoln/Sedgwick, 152 Addison. Sat 4, Sun 5, noon-6pm.

Recently opened

Joe's Jeans New York usually gets all the credit for being the U.S. city for retail debuts. That's not the case this time around, as Joe's Jeans opens its very first store in Bucktown. Jeans (\$158-\$178) are fit to complement the individual, such as the Icon version with high-placed pockets that offer ladies a little lift in the derriere. In addition to denim, the store also features a lounge area, individual music-listening stations and apothecary goods. **1715 N Damen Ave between Wabansia and St Paul Aves** (773-252-1715, joesjeans.com).

Salon deals

BloDri Now that fall has officially arrived, we can expect dry, static and flat hair to follow. Before your mane gets too unmanageable, head to this new River North styling salon by Sat 4 and receive 10% off any service (curling, straightening, conditioning or updo) to celebrate its grand opening. **408 N Clark St between Kinzie and Hubbard Sts** (312-595-3000, blo dri.com). El: Brown, Purple (rush hrs) to Merchandise Mart. Bus: 11, 22 (24 hrs), 125, 156. Thu 2, Fri 3, 8am-7pm; Sat 4, 10am-6pm.

Travel deals

Boston This East Coast city hosts the Head of the Charles Regatta, the world's largest 2-day rowing event, on October 18 and 19. If the thought of joining 300,000 spectators at the Charles River to cheer on rowers isn't enough of an enticement to visit, maybe this hotel discount will seal the deal. The Colonnade Boston, a four-star hotel in Copley Square, is offering a 40% discount on rates throughout October. Rooms usually go for around \$450, but this month they drop to \$249. The only catch is you must book your stay by Sun 5. Visit travelzoo.com for more information.

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