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For the love of lockdown

IN WHAT IS SET TO BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF ITS SUMMER 2021 CALENDAR, HOFA GALLERY, LONDON, WILL HOST 'CORONATION', A SOLO EXHIBITION BY RENOWNED SURREALIST PAINTER LORIBELLE SPIROVSKI, FROM 2 TO 16 JUNE THIS YEAR.

THE UPCOMING EXHIBITION, comprised entirely of new artworks created during the 2020 lockdown, delves into the effects of recent international epoch-making events on private life as distilled through the lens of the artist's mind.

'Coronation' builds on many of the themes and motifs audiences have seen in her past critically acclaimed collections like 'Hommes' and 'Memento Mori'. It is also a potent play on words whose double meaning points to the Covid-19 pandemic as well as the political power shifts and significant moments occurring simultaneously that continue to exert mammoth influences on the external and internal lives of people everywhere. The exhibition opens at HOFA Gallery, London on 2 June 2021 and runs for two weeks. For those stuck here at home, a parallel virtual show will also be accessible to all online via a secure weblink.

thehouseoffineart.com



TASTINGS

Tempelhoff and beyond

PETER TEMPELHOFF'S CAREER IS SIGNPOSTED WITH COURAGEOUS CULINARY STATEMENTS AND AWARD-WINNING VENUES. BUT, IN A CHANGE OF PACE, HE COMES BACK FULL CIRCLE TO A SIMPLER MORE TRADITIONAL APPROACH.

The new concept, beyond, at Buitenverwachting wine farm, comes with the dual challenge of offering something fresh, while acknowledging the estate's centuries-old history. The answer is a light touch and uncompromising standards as far as ingredients go (a Tempelhoff trademark). 'If I could choose a quote to sum up the philosophy behind the food at beyond,' Tempelhoff says, 'it would be something Marco Pierre White said: "Mother nature is the artist, we are just cooks."'

Sustainable and seasonal produce and a respect for provenance informs the menu, and Tempelhoff and his team craft seasonally significant flavours into a memorable culinary experience. He's joined in this exciting new episode by core members of his team at FYN, group executive chef Ashley Moss and head chef Julia du Toit, who will now serve as head chef at beyond. Du Toit's vision for this new venue includes a paring back, a stripping down of food to its essence.

A contemporary and casual, but refined space, conceived by Tristan du Plessis, the setting is as timeless as the menu and echoes the elegance of the dishes. Wine too, will tip its hat to history, and Jennifer Hugé, longtime colleague of Tempelhoff (and general manager at FYN) cites the Constantia Valley as inspiration for the masterful selection.

beyondrestaurant.co.za



WATCHES

First in class

WE CAN THINK OF MANY REASONS FOR A ROLEX TO BE IN A PRIZED WATCH COLLECTION BUT IF YOU'VE GOT YOUR EYE ON THIS BEAUTY, YOU'VE PROBABLY GOT A THING FOR FIRSTS.

This Oyster Perpetual SkyDweller in 18ct yellow gold is the first in the Classic category to be paired with the innovative high-performance elastomer Oysterflex bracelet. It is fitted with an Oysterclasp and features the Rolex Glidelock extension system for extra comfort. The Oyster Perpetual SkyDweller features a bright black dial with sunburst finish, 18ct yellow-gold hands and indexes, the fluted rotating bezel specific to the line, and 42mm Oyster case. This version is equipped with caliber 9001, at the forefront of watchmaking technology.

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PRIVATE EDITION



DEPARTURES

The best of family time

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A HOME AWAY FROM HOME, BEAUTY AND PRIVACY, THE NEWLY OPENED PERIVOLI LAGOON HOUSE OUTSIDE STANFORD CAN BE BOOKED ON AN EXCLUSIVE-USE BASIS FOR UP TO EIGHT PEOPLE.

Nestled on 140 hectares of private nature reserve, Perivoli is a hideaway of wide-open spaces and breathtaking views. It is the perfect backdrop for quality time spent with family and friends where children of all ages are welcome. Guests at Perivoli have access to a speedboat to make full use of the unique lakeside location, which lends itself to water activities such as water-skiing and tubing, as well as fishing. More relaxing pursuits include yoga baskets, in-room massages and lounging around the heated infinity swimming pool.

The house, with four double en-suite bedrooms with private terraces, invites complete relaxation with deep sofas and shaded views of the breathtaking lagoon. Geared to year-round comfort, Perivoli is equipped with a wood-burning fireplace and efficient eco-friendly pellet stoves, as well as ceiling fans and insect screens.

Perivoli offers flexible booking options that include a housekeeping service, as well as a choice of an all-inclusive offering with a private chef or self-catering. perivoliafrica.com

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COLLECTABLES

Wine collectors' treasure chest

85 000 BOTTLES OF WINE, 5 500 LABELS: RESTAURANT MOSAIC'S WINE COLLECTION IS HARD TO COMPREHEND AND IT'S UP FOR SALE.

Imagine discovering the door to a cave of hidden riches. Wines acquired directly from the most admired estates in France: vintages of Domaine de la Romanée-Conti stretching over three decades, or aged Bordeaux from the likes of Château Petrus, Château Latour, Château Lafite Rothschild and Château d'Yquem. Port from houses dating to the 1960s. Brandies such as Armagnac and Calvados. Champagne blue chips such as Salon, Krug or Cristal alongside the very best smaller growers.

In addition to the French selection, the cellar also holds celebrated South African wines in equal measure, ranging from Klein Constantia's iconic Vin de Constance (in excess of 25 vintages) to the delights of the country's most sought-after wine farm, The Sadie Family Wines. Syrahs from Boekenhoutskloof and Mullineux; Chris Alheit's ultra-rare Radio Lazarus; the famous Lanzerac 1968 Pinotage; Tim Atkin's 100-pointer 2015 Kanonkop Paul Sauer, as well as vintages of the same wine from the early 1990s. And the list goes on ...

Chef Chantal Dartnall, cellar master Cobus du Plessis and sommelier Moses Magwaza are pleased to announce that the contents of this extraordinary cellar will be available for purchase from 29 March 2021.

This astonishing collection has evolved over many years thanks to the expertise of Du Plessis, resulting in dozens of prizes, including 2019's La Liste Award for the Best Wine List in the World and a prestigious Grand Award from Wine Spectator in 2020 (the fourth year in a row).

While Restaurant Mosaic closed its doors at the end of March 2021, the bitter news for patrons is paired with some sweetness, as it brings with it this opportunity: the sale of Mosaic's incomparable wine collection.

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WATCHES

Ultimate special edition

OMEGA HAS INTRODUCED THE SEAMASTER DIVER 300M 'BEIJING 2022' SPECIAL EDITION ONE YEAR AHEAD OF THE WINTER OLYMPICS IN CHINA.

To commemorate the occasion, for which it is official timekeeper, OMEGA has included five special minute-markers in the colours of the Olympic rings at 2H, 4H, 8H, 10H and 12H. Turn the watch over and you'll see a stamped 'Beijing 2022' Olympic logo on the caseback. The timepiece features a 42mm case crafted from stainless steel and a grade 5 titanium bezel ring with a 60-minute diving scale in positive relief. The sun-brushed blue ceramic [ZrO2] dial is decorated with laser-engraved waves and offsets the rhodium-plated indexes and hands filled with Super-LumiNova.

The watch is powered by the OMEGA Co-Axial Master Chronometer Calibre 8800 and has passed all eight tests set by the Swiss Federal Institute of Metrology (METAS) that guarantee the highest standards of precision, performance and magnetic resistance. Presented in a special box, the Seamaster Diver 300M 'Beijing 2022' is set on a polished and brushed stainless steel bracelet including OMEGA's patented extendable foldover rack-and-pusher with an extra diver extension. The 2022 Winter Olympics will see OMEGA take up its position as official timekeeper for the 30th year. OMEGA first performed this role at the Olympic Games in 1932.

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TASTINGS

The Chanel No. 5 of olive oil

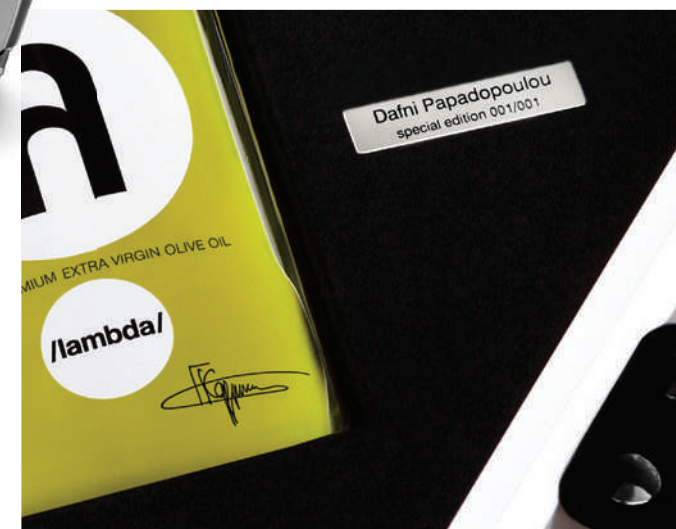
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DEPARTURES

The year of virtual safaris

TINTSWALO SAFARI LODGE HAS RECEIVED WIDE ACCLAIM FOR ITS EXCITING VIRTUAL SAFARIS THAT HAVE BEEN VIEWED ONLINE OVER THE PAST YEAR BY MILLIONS OF FANS LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY.

When Level 5 hard lockdown first kicked in and its lodges were deserted, Tintswalo acted swiftly to find a creative way to continue communicating with loyal guests.

In the African bush nature played out as it always has unaware of any pandemic, and the guides of Tintswalo Safari Lodge continued their early morning game drives to monitor animal activity and conservation within the reserve. Getting up at the crack of dawn, they started filming what became known as the ‘On the Beat in the Manyeleti’ virtual game drives, which were broadcast on social media around the globe.

The first virtual safari went live on 25 March 2020 with 41 092 views. A year and 178 episodes later, Tintswalo’s Virtual Safaris have received an astonishing 7,4 million views from followers all over the world.

Regional general manager of Tintswalo’s Safari Operations Alistair Leuner says, ‘During lockdown social media became a lifeline for many people as a way to connect to the world out there. People were looking to escape boredom and isolation and were searching for interesting and meaningful content. It was a great opportunity for Tintswalo to not only bring the bush right into their living rooms, wherever they were, but also to inform and educate the public about various important conservation issues.’

As in real life, each virtual safari brings new adventures to the screen. From tracking the day-to-day movements of a herd of elephants and exhilarating sightings of wild dogs passing, to following the Manyeleti’s magnificent Mbiri pride and finding a lion cub in a tree, Tintswalo’s ‘On the Beat’ virtual safaris are still continuing and are ‘reality TV’ at its authentic best.

tintswalo.com/safari/virtual-safaris/



OBJECTS OF DESIRE

Time and again

WATCHES & WONDERS GENEVA PRESENTS A WEEK-LONG DIGITAL FORUM TO CELEBRATE WATCHMAKING EXCELLENCE. BY DEBBIE HATHWAY

In April, watch collectors, retailers and media from around the globe will gaze longingly at passports and empty suitcases as the pandemic forces us into a second digital showcase of new timepieces at Watches and Wonders Geneva.

Thirty-eight leading brands take centre stage from 7 to 13 April with presentations designed to dazzle us with daring and craft. Broadly speaking, there are those who favour innovation in materials and complications, highlight metiers d’arts, celebrate their jewellery arts or indulge their heritage. And there are others who simply do it all.

For the first time, though, many of the world’s most prestigious watchmaking brands will unite in presenting this exclusive online event for retail and media professionals as well as brands’ VIP customers, who will be invited to preview this year’s new releases. These include Cartier, Chanel, Chopard, IWC Schaffhausen, Jaeger-LeCoultre, Hermès, Patek Philippe, Rolex, Tudor, Ulysse Nardin, Bvlgari, Carl F. Bucherer, Hublot, Louis Vuitton, TAG Heuer and Zenith.

It’s virtually impossible to pick a favourite when these are revealed, but we can get really carried away by the passion, craftsmanship, excellence, stories and history. Whether this dates back decades or centuries, the

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LEFT Roger Dubuis has reinvented its signature double tourbillon to create the Excalibur Skeleton Double Flying Tourbillon, limited to eight pieces in white or pink gold

ABOVE The Ballon Bleu de Cartier in 18k pink gold features a crown set with a sapphire cabochon and an interchangeable 18k pink-gold bracelet

RIGHT The Zenith Pilot Type 20 Silver Chronograph features a unique case and dial made in silver, revisiting the brand’s roots and history in pilot watches



watchmakers’ path to immersion in this world of miniatures is endlessly fascinating.

Not being able to touch and feel the new creations in person is tough for all of us, but we are biding our time until we can travel again and attend these events in person. Salon organiser Fondation de la Haute Horlogerie recognises the need for a large-scale event to bring watchmaking experts and key stakeholders together in one place, not just to ensure business continuity but also to connect brands, retailers and international media.

This year, Watches and Wonders Geneva will be followed by the second edition of Watches and Wonders Shanghai at West Bund Art & Design in China. Those lucky enough to get there can indeed experience a physical Salon, where 15 exhibiting brands will present their latest timepieces.

Meanwhile, to facilitate interaction and enable visitors worldwide to enjoy the full Watches and Wonders experience, the watchesandwonders.com platform now offers extra features. There will be more interaction, more functionality and a greater focus on services, communication and networking. Expect product launches and major brand partnership announcements, live chats and streams, a live *Morning Show* bringing daily analysis of what’s new at the Salon plus panel discussions and talks led by key industry figures and influential personalities.

watchesandwonders.com

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