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"Fashion is an invitation," says groundbreaking musician Jeremy Dutcher. In that spirit, we welcome you to a holiday season infused with warmth, wonder and style

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HOLIDAY CHEER

We invited the city's most stylish creators to preview the season's best beauty gifts

he beauty of the season was on full display recently at The Kit's Holiday Marketplace, where we ushered in the season's best skincare, makeup, hair and fragrance gifts. To celebrate, we invited 100 influencers and content creators to eat, drink and be merry while they discovered the latest holiday offerings from beloved beauty brands, including Aerin, Aveda, Bobbi Brown, Clinique, Estée Lauder, Jo Malone London, Kilian Paris, La Mer, Origins, Smashbox, Too Faced, and Tom Ford. Our guests were all big-time beauty lovers who had a lot to say about what they're looking forward to giving-and getting-this year.

For model Judith Maria Bradley, Estée Lauder fragrances have a special place in her heart. "My mother wore Estée Lauder perfume since the beginning of time. I was born in 1945, so I'm a shade away from 80," she says of the sentimental scents. "I always wear it. I have tried every one!"

When it comes to skincare, style star Lisa Corbo is considering how to better add hydration and glow to her skin during the onslaught of changing temperatures and extra socializing brought on during the holidays. "There are so many different products here that were really educational for me about hydrating during a more festive season, not just as a quick fix," she says, pointing to innovations from La Mer, Clinique and Origins. "There are actually new products that have come out focusing on this for all skin types."

And for content creator Anthea Persaud, who began her beauty journey as a makeup artist at Bobbi Brown, nothing beats a little glam under the tree. "There are so many staple, iconic products that are standing the test of time that are really incredible," she says, pointing to the Smashbox Original Photo Finish Smooth & Blur Primer as something everyone needs in their makeup kit. Her insider's pick? Bobbi Brown's Corrector, which she says brings out the best in every skin tone.

Here, we share some highlights from the marketplace and a peek at some of the gifts you'll be adding to your wishlist.

Photography by Vai Yu Law





eremy Dutcher is all about subversion. Polaris Music Prize for his debut album, Wolastoqiyik Lintuwakonawa-a reimag- comfortable." ining of century-old traditional Indigenous

As a young person in a small, rural community near Fred-In 2019, just months after winning the ericton, Dutcher found it hard to express himself: "Sometimes you have to dim yourself in order to be safe and be

Representation has always been important to Dutcher.

"What kind of images would have been really helpful or

up in rural New Brunswick?" he told CBC's Unreserved in

After getting involved in musical theatre, Dutcher moved songs that shattered the boundaries of clasto Halifax to study classical music at Dalhousie University



sical music—Dutcher turned heads at the Juno Following the success of his debut album, he began experi-Awards, performing at a grand piano dressed in menting with how he used fashion to express himself. "I started to be invited to all these award shows and red

a flowing black cape and a sheer bodysuit. On the inside of the cape, which was designed by Indigenous carpets, and I thought, 'You have a platform and always these designer Derek Jagodzinsky and Toronto-based Michael people looking to you. How do you want to show up? Do you want to wear a suit like the normal boys, or do you Zoffranieri, was an inscription in Cree syllabics that read "We will succeed." want to let the fullness of your expression come forward

Since then, Dutcher, whose sophomore album, Mote- and unfurl?" wolonuwok, moves seamlessly between lush neo-classical and rollicking art-rock, has worked closely with Indigenous designers and creators to establish a sense of style as unique useful for me to see as a young Indigenous person growing as his rich, operatic tenor.

Earlier this month, The Kit sat down with Dutcher to 2021. "What would that have felt like to be able to turn on discuss his approach to fashion following a photo shoot in the television and see big, brown bodies taking up space?"

Toronto. Dutcher wore pieces by Indigenous designers, including Lesley Hampton and Jason Baerg of Ayimach Horizons, paired with beading and regalia that he brought from home. "I wanted to be futuristic and traditional, but also queer, you know-like all of these prongs that are kind of woven together," he explains. Dutcher is a member of New Brunswick's Tobique First Nation and identifies as Two-Spirit, a pan-indigenous term used to describe the interrelated and intersecting identities of gender, sexuality and culture for those who may otherwise be identified as both LGBTQ+ and Indigenous.



Dutcher savs he's carrying that spirit with him on his cross-Canada tour, which includes a stop at Massey Hall in Toronto on December 9 in support of Motewolonuwok, which is in both English and Wolastoqey, the language spoken by his mother and about 500 others.

"Fashion is an invitation-an invitation to more expression. which I think we need right now," he says. "We should lean into and honour those things that make us distinct from each other. And then we can start to bring our gifts together. To be on stage and to be shining and to be offering yourself in your fullness, I think allows other people to come to their fullness, too."

Do you want to wear a suit like the normal boys, or do you want the fullness of your expression to unfurl?

Ready to party

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Emily Tamfo gets the ultimate lesson in holiday glam from Sir John, Beyoncé's makeup artist



GLAM GUIDE –

EYES, LIPS AND "THE ART OF GETTING READY"

Above all things, Sir John just wants you to put on makeup that "makes you feel something." He calls this "dopamine glam," and it's inspired by his favourite muses: Jerry Hall, Diana Ross and Donna Summer, who he believes embody "the art of getting ready" through their makeup, and the holiday party spirit.

On the face, that translates to sparkly eyes and, if you want, bold lips. "You can be more festive with eyes, you can do lips, you can do both. I think more is more," he says. "It's time to have a little bit more fun, bringing the disco into the daytime with eyes and lips. You have permission to go full Donna Summer."

To balance this, he advises keeping the skin "as editorial as possible, which means polished but natural-looking, using a damp Beauty Blender sponge to create an airbrush-like effect with your foundation.

If you have hooded lids like I do, and tend to shy away from eyeshadow Sir John wants you to lean in even more. "The goal is to go a little bit higher with your colour than you usually would, almost like you're creating a faux lid," he says. "Start just a hair above where your natural lash line starts and stop just a hair above where your crease naturally is." He uses the Danessa Myricks Groundworks palette to demonstrate starting with an ashy brown from the palette as the base for my lids, then sweeping a glittery fuchsia overtop with his brush, just as he described. With my sparkly eyes oozing dopamine glam, Sir John balances out my look with the forever favourite M.A.C Chestnut lip liner. "I don't usually do lips," he says as he taps a light cream blush onto mine. "Sometimes I just give [my clients] the lip brush because I love when someone's

SCULPTING 2.0

connected to some part of their look.

For Sir John, sculpting is "the more evolved version" of contouring, that is a little bit less aggressive, and much more poetic. "Whenever you start to sculpt, you always want to be creating lights and shadows," he says. "Everything that we see as beautiful starts because either it's void of light or reflecting light. It could be a building; it could be a diamond. If you have an understanding of where you want to see lights and shadows, it evolves how you want to sculpt your face."

While he was hosting a masterclass in South Africa, a participant asked him why U.S.-based makeup artists often create the illusion of European features through sculpting and contour. Since then, he's changed his techniques to embrace and define the features of any face he's working on

In my case, that means creating less light reflection on the bridge of my nose. "I want to create a little bit of shadow, enough so we can bring out the symmetry instead of minimizing," he says. Surprisingly, "a really anod contour of the nose starts in the socket of the eye." Using a brush, he applied Uoma Contour Stick on the sides of my nose and brought the colour up to below my brow line. "It snatches you even more," he savs. "We like snatched."

LAYERING FOR LONGEVITY



More is more! It's time to have more fun-to bring the disco into the daytime with eyes and lips.

he first thing I notice when I hop into Sir John's makeup chair are the brushes. There, on the marble countertop, are dozens upon dozens of makeup brushes, every bristle shape and style you could possibly think of, ready for him to paint the perfect look on his next client, which just happened to be me. "I went to school for art since I was 6, so having a lot of brushes around just makes me feel comfortable," he tells me as he picks one up to start on my eyeshadow. After he explains that he's

been collecting these brushes since he was 19 years old, it dawns on me that some of the brushes he was about to use on me had likely touched Naomi Campbell, Beyoncé and Rosie Huntington-Whiteley, to name a few of his other clients. (Naturally, I have not washed my face since.)

For nearly 20 years, Buffalo-born Sir John has been honing his craft as a makeup artist, starting from his early makeup career at M.A.C, to backstage at the strip clubs in Queens, New York, to fashion shows with makeup legend

those iconic celebrity clients-Bevoncé even named one of her twins after him. Today, he's the makeup creative director at luxury Paris-based beauty brand Kilian, which recently branched out from fragrance into lipsticks. He's also begun sharing his expertise in highly sought after masterclasses-he was in Toronto to do just that at a That Good Masters class on November 5, where a lucky group of artists and enthusiasts spent a full day learning his signature techniques. I was lucky enough to get

Sir John and Emily Tamfo. hed in Toronto by Kayla Rocca.

my own private, condensed masterclass focused on his go-to techniques for creating the ultimate party look, while he glammed me up. He gave me a ton of useful tips, summarized at left, but first and foremost was a sage piece of wisdom: to pay attention to how we feel when the makeup is complete. "I'm a makeup artist who cares more about how we feel about what we see, instead of how it looks," he says. "Because beauty is a feeling. It's not something you can always see, but it's something you need to feel."

Dress code

To overdress or underdress for a work-related holiday party, that is the question. The Kit's stylist-at-large, Julianne Costigan, breaks down this festive dilemma

ave you ever received an invitation that speci- closets recently and are perfect for the holidays—or fied the dress code as "festive"? I'm assuming even try an all-white look.

yes, and I'm also assuming that "festive" didn't really clarify anything for you. Finding the right balance party dilemma, particularly when it's a fete connected to your work or professional network.

Typically, we default to whatever red or green piece we can find first in our closet and call it a day. This year, I challenge you to take a different route. few ways to make the classic holiday hues feel fresh. For your red pieces, pair them with camel, grey, silver bing a few shiny accessories is also the most budgetor navy rather than black. Pair green with silver, cream, navy, warm brown or a soft pink

For either red or green, going monochromatic is but are easy to wear separately, for everyday. Red is trending in general,

seen all over fall runways, and the holiday season is the perfect excuse to introduce it into your closet. If you're looking to go outside

of the red and green box, consider a bold metallic piece—silver jeans have been a trendy addition to

Another direction you can take for your work holiday party is to use accessories to add a special between over and under-dressing is a common holiday touch to your professional outfits. Look for places where you can add hardware, metallics or a holiday fabric or colour. Swap out your shoes for a silver heel, add an earring with sparkle or a metallic bag. Hair accessories are a great place to add a festive touchheadbands, silver clips or a bow are easy add-ons to Wearing red or green isn't a problem, but there are a any outfit. Sequin flower or bow brooches can simply be clipped onto a blazer lapel to add a bit of fizz. Grab-

friendly way to elevate what you already own. If you feel like investing in a new outfit for your holiday parties, make sure it's something you can chic. Think red sweater, trousers and heels—when worn wear and re-wear into other seasons. The best way together, they create an exciting holiday-ready look to do this is to look for classic pieces that have built-in

adornment. Jewelled denim, trousers with a velvet stripe, a blazer with sequins or a button-up with feather-trimmed sleeves all feel fun and festive but can also be styled for day-to-day. Now you're ready to take on

holiday party dressing in new and unexpected ways. Make merry!



for New Year's, too.

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trending

for holiday.



What's the best way to prep for the marathon of holiday parties? Layer up on product textures to create a "Teflon face" that will last through long nights on the go with no need to worry about reapplying. (Now would be a good time to remind you that Sir John often does Beyonce's concert makeup.)

For eyes, this means applying cream eyeshadow and then adding powder shadow on top of it. For brows, "I would do a pencil brow and set it with a powder brow." Those layers create a duality of textures, which lasts. "If it's the holidays, a basement party, prom, whatever it is, layer," he says. "It doesn't have to be heavy. I like to use brushes to buff things in instead of packing things on.'

CONCEALER LAST

When he's finished, Sir John shows me an extra insider tip for the final step: concealer. What! "I like to do concealer after everything because it's a tool to really lift the eyes and liner even more," he explains. "You also use a lot less when you do it after your foundation.

To apply NARS Soft Matte Concealer, he uses, you guessed it, a brush. "I don't like to use sponges for concealer because I really want it to dissipate away, so I use a soft fluffy brush," he says. Sir John holds the brush like a paintbrush, not like a pencil, to create the desired effect. "This way, it moves less and you're using a lighter hand." A true artist.

To say that I look and feel glam would be an understatement; he gave me the elusive smokey eye and sculpted face that I've spent years trying to perfect on my own. I spend the rest of my day staring at myself in the mirror, realizing exactly what Sir John meant about beauty being a feeling. Needless to say, I'll be heading to my holiday parties with a Sir John-approved look, and hopefully with these tips, you can too.





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ACCESSORY A-GAME

Swapping out accessories can take your workwear pieces from desk to dance floor with ease. For an opulent effect, go gold and go bold. A blazer, sweater and jeans can absolutely work for the holidays. Look for a sweater with metallic thread and enhance the look with a matching clutch, slingbacks and jewellery. While silver has been topping the metallic trend charts, here's a secret...gold is making a comeback. We saw it on spring 2024 runways and you'll see it entering stores more and more.





have to be red or green. Look for subtle patterns that incorporate the hues along with neutral tones like this green and navy plaid skirt. What makes this particular silky top special is the removable feather accent: Whip it off and you have an office-ready blouse During the day for work, pair the skirt with a white button-up and navy flats, or wear the top with navy trousers. For a party, wear the skirt and top together and add silver accessories.

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In good spirits

How wine writer Natalie MacLean learned to moderate her drinking-even during the holidays

s someone who drinks for a living, I live in what a wine lover would consider paradise. Bottles sit on my desk to the left and right of my computer and fill the gaps in my bookshelves. Hundreds more line my kitchen counters and 3,000 are under my feet in the basement. Cases of wine arrive daily from wineries for review.

For 14 years, easy access to all that alcohol was never a problem. Then I went through the worst vintage of my life, both personally and professionally. It started with my husband of 20 years suddenly demanding a divorce. Then an online mob of rivals came for my career. In response to the depression from the divorce and the anxiety from the online mobbing, I started drinking too much.

Wine wrecked my My personal cocktail hour crept up stealthily to 4 p.m. That first glass numbed the pain of the "arsenic hour"-the sleep. I'd wake up end of the workday when you're tired and hungry, and want to either take arsenic or give it to those around you. When I with a headache and worried about how much I was drinking, I'd have another glass to calm my anxiety. Wine blanketed my screaming thoughts about the future.

pulsing regret at 3 a.m. —the witching hour When I asked my son a decade later about my drinking, he said he didn't notice the increase. He'd grown up seeing his mother with a wine glass in hand, a maternal prosthesis. There was no difference to him between my "work wine" and "personal wine." Increasingly, that was true for me as well.

I still met magazine deadlines, paid the bills, monitored his homework, attended his school events. But wine wrecked my sleep: I'd wake up with a headache and pulsing regret at 3 a.m.—the "witching hour

Wavering between despair and determination, I decided I had to fight for my son, salvage my self-worth, rebuild my career and get a grip on my drinking. I did it, with lots of therapy that continues



Wine Witch on Fire by Natalie Maclean, nataliemaclean.com

1. Deal with underlying issues first Moderation became much easier after I dealt with the depression and anxiety with a professional therapist. The compulsion to drink to drown those feelings subsided dramatically. The tips here and in my book are not medical advice or a substitute for ncourage those who need professional help to get it.

2. Pause and ask: What was the thought that came right before "I need a glass of wine"? That five-second circuit breaker, where I back up to the thought that prompted the urge to have a glass of wine, made a big difference. I'd take a deep breath and put my hand on my heart to reconnect with my body so that I could take care of it-of me-in a different way. If the thought was imbued with stress, frustration, anger or hurt feelings, I'd see if I could find a different way to deal with it, such as having a bath, watching a favourite show or taking a walk. I love the Japanese concept of forest bathing: Get out into whatever nature is closest to you, it'll change your energy.

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to this day.

I wrote about it, too, in my new memoir Wine Witch on Fire: Rising from the Ashes of Divorce, Defamation, and Drinking Too Much, which just became a national bestseller. In it, I share stories and tips on how I moderated my intake without going sober and having to walk away from my wine writing career.

It's a topic we don't talk about in my industry. Drinking is viewed as an occupational duty. There's shame in admitting a problem. Yet statistics indicate that the hospitality industry, which includes wineries and restaurants, has the highest rate of substance abuse among all professions

Lately, there's been lots of discussion about being sober curious on one end of the spectrum and excessive drinking on the other, but not much in between. What if you love wine and don't want to give it up but feel you're drinking a little too much? This is especially true during the holidays, when we're going to parties, hosting dinners and dining out more than we do the rest of the year. Here are my top strategies for getting into the holiday spirit without letting those spirits haunt you like the ghosts of Christmas past.

open bar at holiday gatherings, I'll start with a refreshing, lowalcohol white wine, like a Canadian or German Riesling or sparkling wine. My next visit will be for a sparkling water

topped off with lime or a glass of non-alcoholic cider. Some people ask why water is in my glass, often in jest, as though I have a professional obligation to drink wine only. tell them that when I pace myself, I enjoy the wines I do drink even more. The bonus is that I don't wake up the next day with the little drummer boy playing on my cerebral cortex. I also practise mindful drinking at restaurants and seated events: I ask the server to wait on a top-up until I've finished my glass. I also drink one glass of water for every glass of wine to stay hydrated.

4. Drink less but better I needed to get away from the high of alcohol and return to the sensuality of wine; to move from the anaesthetic to the aesthetic. Now I drink less but better wine. Not only does it taste better, but I'm more apt to savour its nuances slowly. This strategy can work no matter what your budget. For example, instead of buying two bottles of \$15 wine, why not treat yourself to one special \$30 bottle? The bonus is that pricier wines are often made by family-owned wineries, so you may also be supporting a small business.

5. Save some for later In order to become more conscious of how much I was consuming at home, and fret less about wasting good wine, I started pouring half of a full bottle of wine into an empty half bottle to save it for later. Keeping the half bottle aside reduced that wine's oxygen exposure, so it tasted fresh when I opened it another day. There are also plenty of gadgets and sprays that preserve wine, so you won't drink more just to finish it.

6. Make low- and no-alcohol wines part of

your repertoire Forget those wretched denatured cooking wines of yore. The category of low- and no-alcohol wines is exploding, and there are lots of tasty choices that I recommend on my site, nataliemaclean.com, regularly. These wines are well-made, often by wineries as part of their portfolio. One of my low-alcohol favourites is Reif Riesling from Niagara, which has mouth-watering notes of lemon and lime. I also love the aromas of field strawberries in the no-alcohol Feel Free Sparkling Rosé from Cox Creek Cellars.

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