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From top: living room by Katharine Howard Style; box by Nancy Lorenz for Bottega Veneta; painting by Joain Miró at Mayoral Galeria d'Art at Masterpiece; cushion by Vanderhurd; 'Nugget' doorknob by PE Guerin; photo from Laura Ashley's archive in celebration of its 60th anniversary; sitting room by Studio Alidad





- Having spent 13 years in the business many of them in *Wol*'s advertising department Katharine Howard possesses a wealth of interior design knowledge and a portfolio of suppliers to source exactly what her clients need. Offering a unique luxury service, Katharine Howard Style can help you complete the ultimate look for your house, style a special event, or simply offer advice for your wardrobe. Ring 020 7884 0175, or visit katharinehowardstyle.com.
- Bottega Veneta is collaborating with artist Nancy Lorenz to produce their third collection: a series of beautiful boxes entitled "Skies and Beyond" that are perfect for holding letters, photographs or jewellery. Made of suede and leather, the boxes also feature materials found in Asian art, such as mother-of-pearl inlay, gold leaf and lacquer. Each one is unique, signed and numbered. Bottega Veneta, 33 Sloane St. London SW1 (020 7838 9394; bottegaveneta.com).
- Interior designer Alidad has opened a new design concept, Studio Alidad, for contemporary, fresh and stylish living spaces. Aimed at young professionals with hectic lifestyles, it offers accessible interior design with its made-to-measure service. Studio Alidad is able to work with smaller budgets without compromising quality and can conjure up its signature look and concepts within a shorter time frame. For more information, ring 020 7384 0121, or visit studioalidad.com.
- Now entering its fourth year, the Masterpiece fair brings together more than 150 exhibitors displaying everything from watches, jewellery and fine wines to antiques and collectable art. Don't miss Renaissance sculpture from the Tomasso brothers, folk art from Robert Young Antiques, ceramics and glass from Adrian Sassoon and Modern art from Whitford Fine Art. Masterpiece is held at Royal Hospital Chelsea, 26 June-3 July. For details, visit masterpiecefair.com.

- Founded in 1857, PE Guerin pioneered artistic metalwork in New York from its original factory and foundry in Greenwich Village. Today it has expanded into Spain and Portugal, and it has six more showrooms across the USA. Its earliest works can be seen in public buildings, parks and private residences around the country, as well as in museums such as the Frick Collection and the Chicago Art Institute. PE Guerin, 23 Jane St, New York, NY 10014 (001 212 243 5270; peguerin.com).
- In celebration of its 60th anniversary this year, iconic British brand Laura Ashley will be hosting a retrospective exhibition at the Vinyl factory in Soho from 5 to 6 June. Expect a showcase of classic fabric designs alongside the new 'AW' collection, featuring redesigned archive prints for wallpaper, fabrics and accessories. Ring 0871 983 5599, or visit lauraashley.com.
- From 16 to 17 May, Vanderhurd will be holding a one-of-a-kind sale at its Notting Hill showroom during which visitors will receive up to 75 per cent off the company's cushions, throws and carpets. A bespoke textile-design studio for more than 25 years, Vanderhurd produces hand-printed fabrics and hand-embroidered textiles manufactured in India, Kathmandu and the Philippines. Vanderhurd, 17 Portobello Rd, London W11 (020 7313 5400; vanderhurd.com).
- Founded in 1992, fabric company De Le Cuona owns what is now the world's biggest own-brand linen collection, as well as other ranges in wool, velvet and cashmere. Founder Bernie de Le Cuona has created a unique vision for this linen, combining it with different colours and prints, such as its signature paisley. Fabrics are developed in the best mills around the world, then dyed and woven using Indian techniques. De Le Cuona, 150 Walton St, London SW3 (020 7584 7677; delecuona.com) ■

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ART & ANTIQUES FAIR, OLYMPIA EXHIBITION CENTRE, GRAND HALL, OLYMPIA WAY, LONDON W14, olympia art antiques.com

