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## Bags, Belts New for Lucifer Vir Honestus

WITH AN EYE ON CHAFTSMANSHIP of the past as well as on the future, fine jeweler Lucifer Vir Honestus is expanding into hundbags, belts and e-commerce.

The Italian house, which is named after a 14th-rentury Milan goldenith, is growing beyond its rarefled, one of a-kind fine jewelry pieces that are favored by fashion's to-crowd, including Sarah Jessica Parker.

The 12-year-old brand, founded by the wife-husband team of Luna Scamuzzi and Paolo Mandelli, will inaugurate lucifer-vir-honestus.com, next month.

Scamuzzi's unique amorphous designs are known for their incerporation of rare and unusual genutones in irregular euts, such as rubellite, tourmaline and amber set into baroque rose gold settings with granulation and diamond accessis.

The line is sold at Barneys New York, Ylang 23 in Dallas. Marissa Collection in Naples, Fla., and at other exclusive speciality stores internationally, including boutques in Russia, China. Baly and Japan.

"I use many different kinds of stones that have to be beautiful for color, shape, brightness and size," said Scamuzzi, who works alongside Mandelli, a former financier and the brand's business manager.

Accessories were a natural extension for Scamuzzi, who in 2006 started to create belt buckles for a Japanese customer. Such organic-looking belt buckles, created in sterling silver, became the basis for the bags, which rauge from crocodile clutches, finished with a decorative metal (ab to a tote

with hardware in shades of nude, black gold and olive groen.

Prices for belts begin at \$1,000 and bags range from \$6,000 to \$0,000. Fine [sewifty retails from \$1,000 to \$0,000. Fine [sewifty retails from \$1,000 to \$0,000. Rings, for which the bouse is most well known, average \$4,000 to \$8,000.

Seamuzzi said the expansion was more organic than strategic.

"We want to make jewelry in the best way that we can and the best quality that we can," she said.

Ring, bracelet and clutch

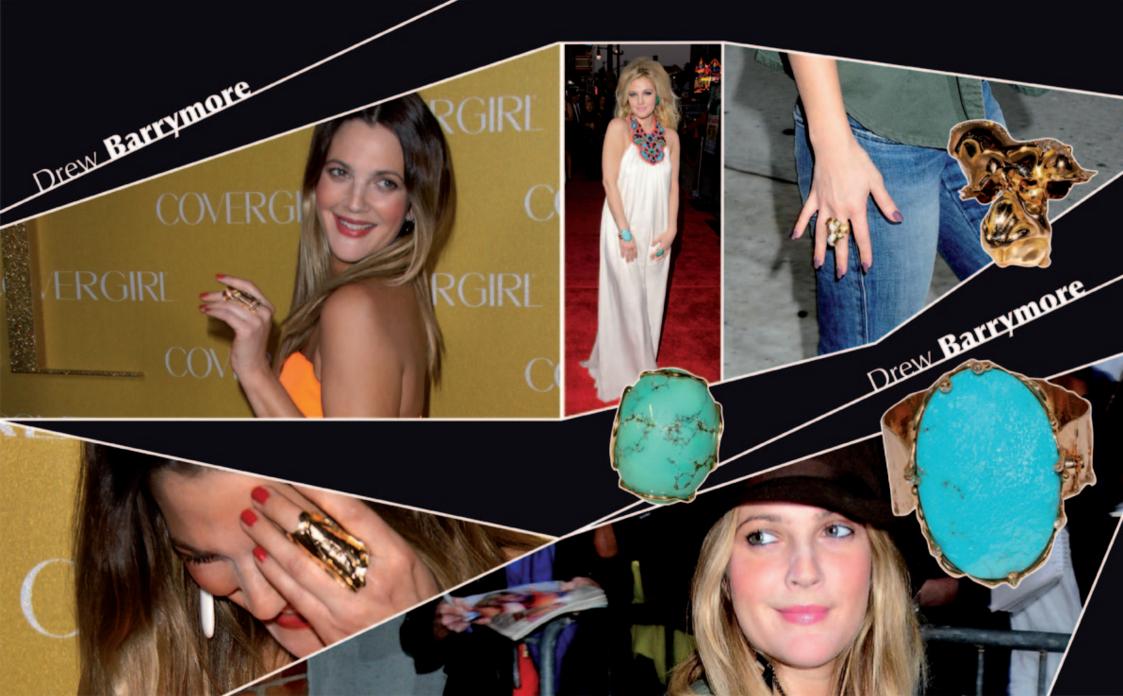
by Lucifer Vir Honeston.

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MAKING IT: LUNA SCAMUZZI



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WHO: Luna Scamuzzi, designer and co-founder of jewelry company Lucifer Vir Honestus.

WHAT: Organic shapes that evoke sea creatures, with sculptural metals playing off of one-of-a-kind precious and semiprecious stones. Ms. Scamuzzi and her husband and business partner, Paolo Mendelli, travel around the world with their 2-year-old son in search of gems.

WHY: In 1998, while the Milan-based pair was working as architects, Mr. Mendelli designed a necklace and a ring for his then-fiancée. Ms. Scamuzzi became interested in the medieval art of wax molding and the couple soon gave up their day jobs to start a jewelry business. She started out designing rings, and they remain her favorite pieces to create.

HOW: After selecting the gems, Ms. Scamuzzi sculpts a wax mold to "make a story," as she puts it. Once the mold is complete, a goldsmith finishes the metal and a setter places the stones.

WHERE: Barneys, Ylang 23 in Dallas and Persimmon in Los Angeles carry Lucifer Vir Honestus pieces. The jewels can also be found in Hong Kong, Moscow and Paris.

-Monika Anders



In left Black Pearl Necklace, \$59,400; Gold Frog Ring Will Frog Ring With Diamonds





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