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MICHAEL KORS COLLECTION FASHION PRESENTATION  
AND LUNCHEON ON APRIL 16

Special Appearance by Designer Michael Kors

Proceeds Benefit San Francisco Opera Guild Education Programs



Designer Michael Kors (photo: Inez and Vinoodh); Michael Kors Collection Spring/Summer 2024

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (April 3, 2024) — San Francisco Opera Guild and Neiman Marcus San Francisco present a benefit luncheon and fashion presentation of Michael Kors Collection Spring/Summer 2024 and a preview of Fall/Winter 2024 on April 16, 2024, with a special appearance by designer **Michael Kors**.

Michael Kors Collection Spring/Summer 2024 celebrates the glamour of a getaway—the romance of escaping to blue skies, balmy weather and sunny days. Kors said, “This season we’re taking everyone on holiday. It’s the transcendent joy of getting away, it’s the sweeping romance of a glamorous escape and it’s a jolt of sophisticated, chic optimism.”

For this event, the designer will personally present looks from Spring/Summer 2024, along with a preview of Fall/Winter 2024, while he shares his thoughts and inspiration with the audience.

Proceeds from the event, co-chaired by **Farah Makras** and **France Szeto**, will help thousands of Bay Area K–12 students develop confidence, compassion, critical thinking and many other life skills through San Francisco Opera Guild's award-winning music education programs.

Opera Guild President **Courtney Labe** said: "We are thrilled to welcome world-renowned designer Michael Kors to San Francisco for this important fundraiser with our partner Neiman Marcus. Attendees are supporting the Guild's mission 'to give voice to potential' and the organization's many education and community programs throughout the year. I am so grateful for our amazing co-chairs, Farah Makras and France Szeto, for their tireless dedication to ensure this will be an amazing event."

This fundraiser event will take place at Neiman Marcus San Francisco (150 Stockton Street) beginning with a Champagne reception at 11:30 a.m. At 12:30 p.m., guests will enjoy a fashion presentation accompanied by a luncheon prepared by McCalls Catering & Events, with décor by J. Riccardo Benavides Event Styling. Following the fashion presentation, attendees will have exclusive access to a personal fitting experience with a Neiman Marcus expert style advisor. The event will feature a live auction benefiting the Opera Guild's education programs. Proceeds will also help underwrite partial and full scholarships for the Guild's [Opera Scouts](#) program. Celebrating individual achievement within a supportive ensemble, Opera Scouts provides an artistic, social, career and development home for youth who are passionate about the performing arts. Many of these students pursue musical study in college and beyond, and the Guild's guidance, coaching and skill-enhancing practices help prepare them to succeed in music or any career of their choosing.

Tickets are priced at \$700/Patron; \$1,250/Benefactor; and \$2,500/Grand Benefactor; guests at the Grand Benefactor level are invited to a special, intimate Champagne reception with Michael Kors on April 16. Additionally, Grand Benefactor and Benefactor ticket purchasers are invited to a cocktail party at a private home on the evening prior.

For tickets and more information, visit [sfopera.com/FashionShow](http://sfopera.com/FashionShow) or contact Teddy Reich/San Francisco Opera Guild at [treich@sfopera.com](mailto:treich@sfopera.com) or (415) 565-6433.

**Michael Kors**, a world-renowned, award-winning designer of luxury accessories and ready-to-wear, is dedicated to a vision of style that is as sophisticated as it is luxurious and as timeless as it is modern. His innate sense of American glamour and unfailing eye for effortless chic has earned him numerous accolades within the fashion industry. His namesake company, established in 1981, currently produces a range of products under Michael Kors Collection, MICHAEL Michael Kors and Michael Kors Mens, including accessories, ready-to-wear, footwear, wearable technology, watches and a full line of fragrance products. Michael Kors stores are operated in the most prestigious cities in the world. In addition, Michael Kors operates digital flagships across North America, Europe and Asia, offering customers a seamless omni-channel experience. Kors has been widely honored for his philanthropy.

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### **San Francisco Opera Guild and Neiman Marcus Present Michael Kors Collection**

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### **ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO OPERA GUILD**

Founded in 1939, San Francisco Opera Guild is a leader in music and arts education across Northern California. Its mission—"to give voice to potential"—centers on celebrating diverse voices in education and community settings, as well as developing a forward-thinking, philanthropic community committed to fostering the future of opera. San Francisco Opera Guild produces some of the most prestigious events on the Bay Area's philanthropic calendar, including partnering with San Francisco Opera to present *Opera Ball*. The Guild's education programs engage students of all ages, employing artists and educators to share the beauty of this art form through the Opera Previews series, workshops and a full menu of in-school and community programming for

children from early childhood through high school. Courtney Labe is President of San Francisco Opera Guild.

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