

## MONICA BOTKIER

Monica Botkier has always had an eye for detail. She began her career in fashion as a photographer, working on shoots for leading fashion magazines. A born and raised New Yorker, Monica was living and working downtown when she created the Trigger bag in 2003. Inspired by her busy downtown lifestyle, the Trigger became known as 'the bag that launched an industry' and resulted in immediate cult status.

Botkier has created a niche in the market where there was a void, an approachable designer brand. Botkier was the first independent designer accessories brand and Monica continues to run the business with the same innovation and passion as she did from its inception. Botkier accessories embody luxury through custom detailing, innovation and quality while focusing on functionality.

In July of 2007, Monica was recognized for her contributions to the world of accessory design and became a member of the esteemed Council of Fashion Designers of America.

For Spring 2008, Monica brought the Botkier brand philosophy to footwear. Gracing the pages of Elle, Harper's Bazaar, InStyle, Marie Claire, Glamour and Lucky; Botkier has established itself as a major contender.

In 2009, Monica teamed up with Michelle Trachtenberg, Joy Bryant and Minnie Driver to design bags to benefit Oxfam International. Oxfam is a charity that fights poverty worldwide with a focus on women and their families. Monica is extremely passionate about this and the project continued in 2010 with Lake Bell. In addition, Monica also collaborated with famed artist John Baldessari to create a tote bag benefiting ICI.

Botkier opened a flagship store in New York's NoLiTa in January 2010. Located on Mott at Prince Street and designed by Monica, the space exudes the unique and edgy downtown sophistication that is Botkier.

2011 Monica Botkier was chosen through the CFDA and Luxottica to create Botkier's first pair of sunglasses for the Vogue Eyewear brand. They will debut in late Fall!

A favorite among celebrity fashion icons, Botkier handbags and shoes have been spotted on many of the most recognized women in the world; Angelina Jolie, Halle Berry, Beyonce, Vanessa Hudgens, Jessica Alba, Rihanna and Rachel Bilson to name a few.

Monica currently resides in Brooklyn with her husband and three children.



*me and my girls*

*"People always ask me how I started and I love telling the story because it still inspires me. You can achieve dreams you didn't even know you had if you follow your gut and work with passion. I decided that the designer bags out there were not functional enough and too expensive so I took the leathers I had intended to bind my portfolio books with and found a manufacturer to bring my bag sketches to life. It wasn't until a few years later that I found out my Russian grandfather surname Botkier, manufactured handbags 50 years ago..."*

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LUXOTTICA GROUP AND THE COUNCIL OF FASHION DESIGNERS OF AMERICA  
UNVEIL 2ND ANNUAL CAPSULE COLLECTION FOR VOGUE EYEWEAR

**2011 Vogue Eyewear/CFDA "City Collection"**

Features Designs by **Monica Botkier, Rebecca Minkoff and Yeohlee Teng**  
Inspired by the Most Fashionable U.S. Cities



NEW YORK, NY- Luxottica Group, the leader in fashion and luxury eyeglass frames and sunglasses, unveils the winners for the second annual Vogue Eyewear/CFDA capsule collection. The 2011 Vogue Eyewear/CFDA "City Collection" features three of America's most talented designers, each of whom created a pair of sunglasses inspired by their love for the most unique and fashionable cities in the world: Monica Botkier for Miami, Rebecca Minkoff for New York City and Yeohlee Teng for Los Angeles.

"There were dozens of amazing applicants but Monica, Rebecca and Yeohlee's visions for this project were just exceptional," said Daniela Policastro, global brand manager at Vogue Eyewear. "Each pair artfully exemplifies the Vogue Eyewear brand, captures the essence of the inspiration city, and showcases the designer's unique identity. The 2011 City Collection provides a new perspective, a new twist on sunglass design."

The designers were selected for their rich design aesthetic as well as their strong desire to enter the world of eyewear. Vogue Eyewear, best known for its fashion forward styles at accessible prices, specifically chose participants who had no previous experience in the eyewear market to offer a fresh viewpoint for the 2011 City Collection, which will be available exclusively at select Sunglass Hut stores and [sunglasshut.com](http://sunglasshut.com) starting in October.

Best known as the creator of the iconic "Trigger" bag, accessories designer, Monica Botkier's unique and edgy sophistication is the perfect match for the fashion industry's ultimate place to see and be seen - Miami. Botkier's "Miami" sunglasses for Vogue Eyewear combines the high style and luxury of Miami with the faded glory of the old art deco period, ultimately creating a seamless style that is bright and bold.

**"Miami" by Monica Botkier for Vogue Eyewear**



*"These sunglasses are meant for the woman who is edgy, sexy, fashion forward and likes to explore the city. They are meant for the fashion art girl who loves the museums, art galleries and always the parties during Art Basil Miami. A bold persona who can mix within the different worlds of Miami, whether it be a Cuban coffee shop, gallery opening or pool side party at The Raleigh." - Monica Botkier*

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- Daneja** Solo necklace, \$495, at Bergdorf Goodman, 754 Fifth Ave at 57th St (212-753-7300), [bergdorfgoodman.com](http://bergdorfgoodman.com)
- John Varvatos** \$700 sunglasses, \$275, at John Varvatos, 1227 Spring St between Greene and Mercer St (212-960-0700), [johnvarvatos.com](http://johnvarvatos.com)
- Meg Cohen** Double fringe and straw scarf, \$325, at Meg Cohen Design Shop, 30 Thompson St between Bleecker and Spring St (212-966-3703), [megcohendesign.com](http://megcohendesign.com)
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- Ben Minkoff** Harry Compuser Brief bag, \$475, at [benminkoff.com](http://benminkoff.com)
- Rebecca Taylor** Riverside shoulder dress, \$315, at Rebecca Taylor, 34 Gramercy St between Green St and Hudson St (212-243-2900), [rebeccataylor.com](http://rebeccataylor.com)
- Jack Spade** Butterball parka, \$495, at Jack Spade, 56 Greene St between Duane and Spring St (212-405-0400), [jackspade.com](http://jackspade.com)
- Botkier** Flat tie bag, \$495, at Botkier, 280 E 4th St between E 3rd street and Prince St (212-405-1900), [botkier.com](http://botkier.com)
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 Gold-plated, \$150, ccskye.com

**Sunglasses**  
 Worn by Marc Jacobs, jacobs.com TEXT TO BUY PERS AT 88259

**Structured Handbag**  
 Rubberized leather, \$395, botkier.com



**Printed Shirt**  
 Rayon crepe, \$55, Numbers, Em & Co., L.A., 323-782-8555



**Cutout Booties**  
 Lambkin "Alec," \$375, 31 Philip Lim, 212-334-0600



**Sleeveless Shift**  
 Silk blend, \$675, 31 Philip Lim, 212-334-0600



**Structured Handbag**  
 Rubberized leather, \$395, botkier.com

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## ONE OF A KIND

Four women translate fall's defining trends from the runway to the real world. While their personal styles are wildly different, they all agree on staying true to oneself. "It only works," says Liu Wen, "when you are you."

Eddie Borgo ring, \$275; net-a-porter.com

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**Style: THE MODERNIST**  
**Name:** Liu Wen, model, 23  
**Favorites:** MoMA Design store, her Balenciaga leather jacket, Lan Sheng restaurant in NYC, Angry Birds  
**Quote:** "After being transformed into countless characters, I have discovered that any look involving androgyny is what I feel most comfortable in. Learn from others; don't just imitate"

Kate Spade New York satchel, \$425; katespade.com

Lanvin envelope bag, \$950; net-a-porter.com

Jean-Michel Cazabat

Lines of Beauty: WEN IN AN ARN TAYLOR SWEATER, \$68; ANN TAYLOR.COM; BOBBI ALLEN TURTLENECK, \$88; BCBGMAXAZRIA.COM; JOSEPH GOOT SKIRT, \$76; JOSEPH GOOT SLEEVE, \$25; SMYTHSON.COM

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chine, DKNY,  
\$195; at  
select DKNY  
stores.

**PANTS**  
Tencel,  
Strong &  
Dickerson,  
\$275; 305-  
758-2369.

**PUMPS**  
Suede, Talbots,  
\$199;  
talbots  
.com.

**CLUTCH**  
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Tyle Malibu,  
\$225;  
tylemalibu  
.com.



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Faux leather,  
Forever 21,  
\$5; forever  
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**CARDIGAN**  
Cashmere,  
Schumacher,  
\$537; 843-  
534-0003.

**DRESS**  
Silk-satin,  
Annelone,  
\$580; 212-  
255-5574.

**BAG**  
Leather,  
Botkier, \$225;  
endless.com.

**PLATFORMS**  
Suede, Steve  
Madden,  
\$70; steve  
madden.com.

**Why It Works** Who says pieces have to match? Tuck a copper-and-hot-pink shirt into black pants tied with a bow. Add an unexpected touch: teal suede pumps.

**Why It Works** A vibrant print can be striking if you rein in the silhouette with a thin belt and keep the bag and shoes in neutral tones. Carry a cardi that repeats an element in the dress.

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**A BIGGER FOOTPRINT**

## Chico's in \$205M Deal To Acquire Boston Proper

By EVAN CLARK

DAVID DYER JUST made a \$200 million bet that there's lots of growth left in the women's category.

The president and chief executive officer of Chico's FAS Inc. inked a deal to acquire the Internet and catalog business Boston Proper, deepening Chico's involvement in the sector and underwriting the company's faith in the U.S. market.

Other specialty stores are joining their larger sister growth on backing international operations. Abercrombie & Fitch Co., for instance, is closing more than 60 U.S. stores this year while opening 40 stores abroad. And the women's market is one of fashion's largest, but has been repeatedly forsaken and

given up on, with brands leaving more contemporary as they vie for younger customers and more cash — the most recent example being The Talbot's Inc.'s efforts to update its styling.

But women's customers tend to have more money to spend than their younger, contemporary counterparts.

"We love her," Dyer said. "Everybody wants to be a little bit younger, a little bit cooler and a little bit hipper, but when you look at the disposable income and in terms of look or style, the women's customer is undervalued."

Chico's revealed the acquisition as it reported a 42.5 percent gain in second-quarter profits, although investors pushed its stock down 2.5 percent to

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Z Spoke's silk charmeuse top and scarf and Koko's silk knee pants. See Anna styled bracelet; Botkier bag; CR Carolina Herrera shoes.



BCBGeneration's polyester dress, worn as two, Whitney Eve's silk pants and A&A's acrylic sweater.

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**Nacy's Ties Up With Wall** **PAGE 6** ■ **RETAIL:** Giambattista Valli is Macy's next guest designer for its Impulse collection, which the retailer may expand to accessories for spring.

**CFDA Recruits' New Crop** **PAGE 3** ■ **FASHION:** The CFDA names another six designers in the second round of its program of business incubation, a growing business investment model for a group of companies and brands.

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# Hot Spots

There's nothing cuter about these polka dots. The quintessential pattern has grown up for resort.  
 — Mayte Allende

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**HAT**  
Wool tweed,  
Jennifer  
Ouellette, \$200;  
jenniferouellette  
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Polyester, Echo,  
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is polished and  
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**WEDGES**  
Embossed leather  
and rubber,  
Jean-Michel  
Cazabat, \$50;  
jeanmichelcazabat  
.com for stores.



**CLUTCH**  
Lambskin,  
Botkier, \$345; at  
Nordstrom.

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# Fall Shades, Two Ways

Any minute now you'll be craving richer hues. Here's how to work the standouts—dressed up and dressed down

**GLASSES**  
Acetate, Oliver Peoples, \$250; 310-957-2563.

**BLOUSE**  
Silk, Charles Henry, \$286; 704-817-9440.

**HAT**  
Wool, Alessandra Bacci, \$58; anthro.pologie.com.

**NECKLACE**  
Wood and cotton cord, Fort Standard, \$8; anthro.pologie.com.

**CLUTCH**  
Lambskin, Botkier, \$445; nordstrom.com.

**PANTS**  
Wool, Acne, \$290; acnestudios.com.

**BOOTIES**  
Suede and leather, Mark & James by Badgley Mischka, \$320; bloomingdales.com.

**SHIRT**  
Cotton, Cole Neill, kennethcole.com.

**WEDGES**  
Metallic cotton and wood, Belle by Sigerson Morrison, \$95; sigersonmorrison.com.

**BAG**  
Leather, Tila March, \$540; tilamarch.com.

**Dress It Up** Don't wait for rain! This cheery coat is an all-purpose topper. Pair it with a print blouse and slim pants in maroon for a sophisticated take.

**Dress It Down** Pop it over a bright silk shirt and short leather skirt, then add metallic wedges. For a little edge, toss on a sharp-looking hat.

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## animal prints

Look fierce, but don't get too friendly. One touch is enough.

**TANK**  
Modal silk, Cam  
Lévi, \$80,  
shoplevis.com

**JACKET**  
Polyester,  
Fifth Avenue  
Once Upon a  
Time, \$100,  
shoplevis.com

**SCARF**  
Silk with  
gold brocade  
trim, \$40,  
shoplevis.com

**CLASSES**  
Cotton,  
Club  
Levi, \$30,  
shoplevis.com

**SKIRT**  
Cotton linen,  
J. Crew, \$60,  
jcrew.com

**CLUTCH**  
Lambert,  
Botkier, \$345,  
900-987-  
6400

**SHORTS**  
Linen, Levi, \$45,  
shoplevis.com

**BRACELET**  
Silk, rhinestone  
and metal, Camille  
James, \$200,  
camillejames.com

**FLATS**  
Leather and  
elastic, Beverly  
Befort, \$105,  
prettybabeinc.com

**WEDGES**  
Leather and  
wood, Auli, \$90,  
autilshoes.com

**FOUR**  
Lightweight  
knit, Botkier,  
\$100,  
shopbotkier.com

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with pro-  
tegrin

**Why It Works** It's time to get outside and play. Start with cargo shorts and a knit jacket. Then tie on a scarf with big-cat markings and grab a bag in a hot color. Game on!

**Why It Works** When combining casual (cotton skirt, chunky sandals) and classic (simple card), throw a bit of bite into the mix with a wild thing, like a leopard-print top.

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BLACK What do Elvis, Jesus have in common? It been immortalized in film! Celebrate the art form with Black a new tome from the Press of Mississippi. Has the history of the and includes more than rich fabric images.

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**BAG LADY AS IF SHE WEREN'T BUSY ENOUGH, LAKE BELL IS TRYING HER HAND AT ACCESSORIES DESIGN. THE ACTRESS HAS COLLABORATED WITH BOTKIER ON THIS TWO-TONE SUEDE CROSS-BODY BAG (\$495), WITH HALF THE PROCEEDS GOING TO OXFAM. CHARITY HAS NEVER LOOKED SO COOL. SHOPBOP.COM**

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and glamorously polished these are prim.

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LAMBSKIN "CHARLOTTE," \$575.  
BOTKIER.COM **TEXT TO BUY:**  
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*For a more understated spring, opt for a neutral color.*  
LAMBSKIN "CHARLOTTE," \$575.  
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PUSSY LEATHER "BAGGIE," \$75. STREET LEVEL, SHOPSTYL.COM **TEXT TO BUY:** **MARCHBAG2 AT 47624**

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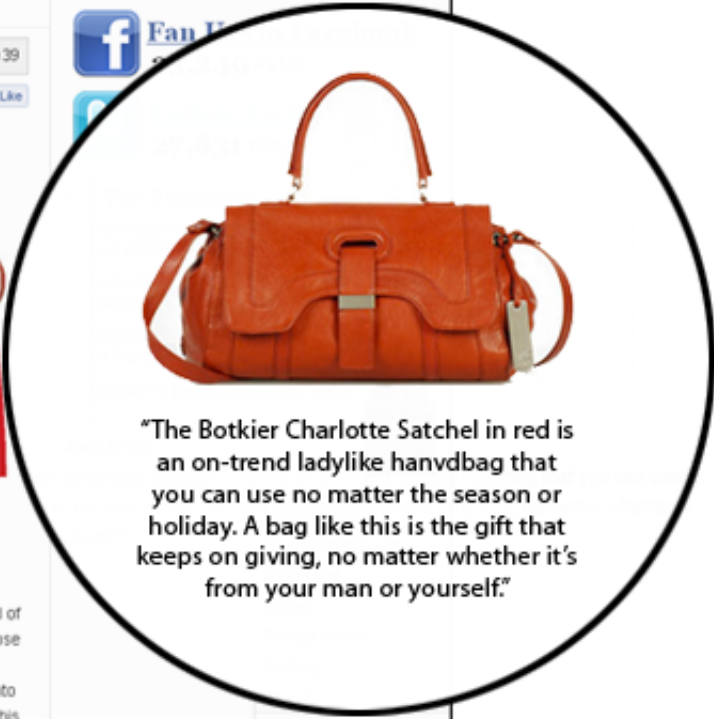
## Valentine's Day goodies for ladies both single and coupled

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No matter their relationship statuses, almost everyone I know thinks **Valentine's Day** is kind of a drag when they're being honest. If you're single, it's like the whole world is rubbing your nose in it. If you're coupled, expectations run high and you're saddled with not only conjuring the perfect romantic gesture for your partner, but hoping that your partner puts some thought into yours. The correct remedy to all of this, of course, is to buy your own gift, or perhaps send this list to your significant other if he's the last-minute type. And really, aren't they all?



"The Botkier Charlotte Satchel in red is an on-trend ladylike hanvdbag that you can use no matter the season or holiday. A bag like this is the gift that keeps on giving, no matter whether it's from your man or yourself."

Chloe  
Coach

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## A Broader Universe

Accessories firms are casting a wide net.

By Caroline Hill

WHILE COTERIE IS TRADITIONALLY AN APPAREL show, more accessories designers are planting roots there this September. The reason: They can cater to a more diverse crowd and have the opportunity to exhibit their pieces with ready-to-wear looks.

Contemporary accessories firms such as Rebecca Minkoff and Botkier, as well as high fashion jewelry labels Alexa Bitter and Ted Rossi, see Coterie as an opportunity to meet with a wider range of buyers. Cynthia O'Connor, whose showrooms represents multiple accessories firms, makes it a point to show at Coterie each season.

"Since we also have rtw lines in our showroom, it just made more sense," O'Connor said. "Once we moved there, we attracted edgier designers... We went from \$5 million in volume that year to shipping over \$50 million last year. So, you can see it paid off. We have mainly clothing, handbags, scarves, belts and costume jewelry, so we work well at Coterie."

O'Connor cited color as a major handbag trend for spring, especially by Xoxo, as well as statement jewelry by C.C. Kaye and belts by B-Low the Belt.

She said the majority of these items are sold by a majority of these firms.

"It's a good of..."

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A Chive by the Stones necklace.



A Eyeloko eyewear.



A Treese bag.



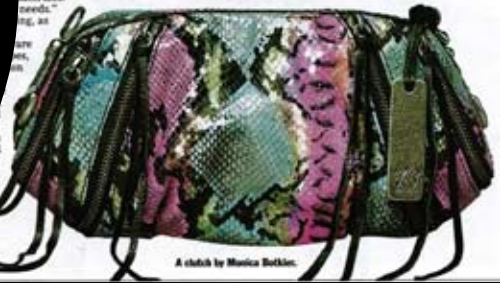
A Belt by B-Low the Belt.



A Xoxo bag.



A clutch by Monica Botkier.



A clutch by Monica Botkier.

## Havana Nights

The spring fashion forecast: plenty of tropical heat. At Coterie, dresses are short, colors are vibrant and prints are bold. Here, Betsey Johnson's silk chiffon frocks in Cuban-accented shades. Frye's shoes; Hat Attack's chapeau.

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Miha's nylon, polyester and metallic sweater



MK2H's acrylic, polyester and wool dress



Tokyo Market's "atom" rings



Botkier's handbag



Zara Tere's bracelet



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Coterie *Haute List*

# WHO'S SHOWING



It's your first day! Tons of Coterie + Sole Commerce brands to see.

## Botkier

**Name:** Monica Botkier  
**Title:** Creative Director and President  
**Booth:** 7511

### So, what's new?

We just moved our offices in December and opened a new showroom on Broadway and Spring Street. It's important for us to bring sales back to their roots

and gain a better perspective on who the Botkier girl is by working one-on-one with our stores and buyers. It was a natural evolution, as our retailers want a more personalized experience.

### Describe your collection in three words.

New. American. Luxury.

### Any new products or fabrics being introduced this season?

Some of the new fabrics we are introducing are patent, suede, and embossed, laser-etched, printed leopard. We are going back to luxe leathers and developing unique hardware.

### What inspired you to start designing your own line?

I was working as a photographer, lugging all my stuff to and from fashion shoots. I was in the market for a new handbag and at that time designer bags were all \$1,000 and up and basically [just] big black holes. I decided to make my own bag that was still luxe but affordable, with different compartments to help me organize all my stuff!

### What sets Botkier apart?

We are the original pioneer of the approachable-handbag niche. Buyers expect a designer aesthetic and superb quality, and they know Botkier will deliver.

### What is your one Fall 2011 "must-have"?

The Sebastian hobo in gunmetal—a chic and sophisticated everyday bag.

### What's your take on social media?

Via Twitter and Facebook, we've created a dialogue with loyal fans and new customers alike. By sharing exciting happenings and giving an inside peek into the Botkier world, our followers become connected with us on a personal level. And our social media outlets give us direct feedback from customers—what they love and what they'd like to see next.

### Why do you love showing at Coterie?

Coterie offers us exposure to the greatest diversity of stores and brands from around the world... Being surrounded by such great talent and energy is very positive for both buyers and brands.

### What's your advice for a successful stint at Coterie?

Preparation, strong product, a sense of humor... Oh, and a lot of wine!



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## Orla Kiely

**Name:** Orla Kiely  
**Title:** Creative Director  
**Booth:** 2815

### So, what's new?

We just opened our new boutique on Kings Road and in Selfridges, and this month we're launching a concession area in Harrods and the limited-edition Citroën DS3 car.

### What inspired the Fall 2011 collection?

The actress Tippi Hedren in Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds* and vintage Scandinavian wooden toys.

### Any new products or fabrics being introduced this season?

Jacquard is a favorite for winter. Our collections are often very print-based, and this year we have a wool birdie-print group, which really shows off the fun we have with textile design.

### What inspired you to start designing your own line?

My parents gave me a sewing machine when I was a little girl. I started designing and making dresses for my sister and eventually made my way to design school.

### What sets your brand apart?

The brand has a strong association with exclusive prints and interesting use of color.

### How do you use social media to leverage your brand?

As a lifestyle brand, it's important to keep our followers up-to-date on every exciting launch. We have a huge following on Twitter and Facebook.

### Why do you love showing at Coterie?

As an Irish brand based in London, it's extremely exciting to connect with customers from all across America [and] find out what pieces are loved in the U.S., as it often differs from the European market. It's also exciting to be in New York!



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# InStyle

**KATHERINE HEIGL**  
On Fame, Family & What's Next

**FALL'S BEST BAGS, SHOES & MORE!**

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## Tweed Shorts

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Collapsing tweed shorts with a button-down shirt and a black turtleneck sweater.  
**JACKET** Cotton and tweed, J. Crew.  
Sleeveless top, **NECKLACE** Beaded, costume jewelry.  
**BOOTS** Suede, black, Frye.  
**SHIRT** Cotton, J. Crew.  
**SHORTS** Cotton and tweed, J. Crew.  
**TIKTOK** Suede, Frye.  
**NECKLACE** Beaded, costume jewelry.  
Photo by [unreadable]

Shop It!

A day's worth of shopping ideas to make your wardrobe work for a day.

When combining colors, try the color wheel for a guide.

4 THURSDAY	5 FRIDAY	6 SATURDAY	7 SUNDAY

Take inspiration. All items are available at [unreadable].  
**Cardigan** [unreadable].  
**Blouse** [unreadable].  
**Skirt** [unreadable].  
**Shoes** [unreadable].  
**Accessories** [unreadable].

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# VOGUE DAILY



COLLECTION

On the Street: New

photographed by Phil



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### Smart Shopping CHEAP & CHIC

- \$155** Fallon necklace, shopbop.com
- \$295** Proenza Schouler sunglasses, Opening Ceremony, NYC, 212-219-2688
- \$298** [Sleeveless dress]
- \$490** Devi Kroell top, 212-644-4498
- \$475** Botkier bag, Saks Fifth Avenue, 800-330-8497
- \$95** Tommy Bahama watch, tommybahama.com
- \$47** Botkier Saks Fifth Avenue, 330-
- \$448** Etro Tahari jacket, 212-334-4411
- \$185** True Religion Brand Jeans pants, true religion brand jeans.com
- \$140** Fallon earrings, Barneys New York, 866-8-BARNEYS

**\$475** EMOTIES  
Devi Kroell classics into cutting-edge cool  
top, 212-644-4498

SHIRT: CHARLOTTE JOHNSON; TOP: MICHIOLE; BAG: ANDI NUTCH; JEANS: BARNEYS; BELT: KIMMY; EARRINGS: POLINA; DRESS: BISHOP CATHART; WATCH: TOMMY BAHAMA; SHOES: CHARLOTTE JOHNSON; SUNGLASSES: PROENZA SCHOUER; NECKLACE: SHOPBOP; JACKET: ETRO; PANTS: TRUE RELIGION BRAND



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**Botkier "Brook"**  
leather hobo,  
9.25" H x 15.75" W  
x 2.25" D, \$495;  
botkier.com

**cross-body bags**

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**Coach "Tipton"**  
leather cross-body bag, 6" H x 7" W x 1" D, \$158, 866-262-2140; coach.com



**Kate Landry**  
leather hobo bag, 12.5" H x 9" W x 1.25" D, \$79, Dillard's, 800-345-5273 for stores



**Botkier "Jesse"**  
leather cross-body clutch, 7" H x 9.5" W x 4" D, \$295, 212-625-1680; botkier.com

**See by Chloé "East Village"**  
leather cross-body bag, 23" H x 7" W x 2.5" D, \$640, Bloomingdale's, 800-427-6783 for stores

**Dooney & Bourke "Letter Carrier"**  
leather cross-body bag, 8.75" H x 11" W x 2" D, \$115, 800-

**she says**  
"Make sure yours hits at or slightly below the hip bone, and choose a size that won't weigh you down."  
—Nicole Chavez, celeb stylist

**A sleek black pouch and pale jumpsuit create an edgy effect**  
Styling with a floaty bag, in an Opening Ceremony jumpsuit and Givenchy boots.



**leather cross-body clutch, 7" H x 9.5" W x 4" D, \$295; 212-625-1680; botkier.com**



great buy!

**Forever 21**  
leather styled purse, 5.75" H x 8.5" W x 7" D, \$4.80, 888-494-5817, forever21.com



**Etienne Aigner "Cristina"**  
leather cross-body bag, 7" H x 8.5" W x 5" D, \$68, Macy's, 800-285-6279, macys.com



**Leanne Design**  
leather hobo, 11" H x 15" W x 2" D, \$150, gop.com

**Hype Handbags "Honey"**  
leather cross-body hobo, 10" H x 15" W x 3" D, \$275, 800-847-6077 for stores



**Botkier "Brooklyn"**  
leather hobo, 9.25" H x 15.75" W x 2.25" D, \$495; botkier.com

**Aven "Ferra Fringe"**  
faux leather hobo, 12" H x 18.5" W x 2" D, \$24.99, 800-367-2866, aven.com



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A little tan is sporty fun when with Carisma

great buy!

**Miss West Vintage America Collection**  
"Beck" leather hobo, 10" H x 15" W x 5.5" D, \$189, 800-299-1877 for stores

**Luka's "Dust Cloud"**  
faux leather bag, 8" H x 9" W x 1" D, \$22, 866-918-5838, luka.com

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**BABY'S GOT BAG**  
Michelle Trachtenberg in the Botkier design studio, creating her do-goodery bag for Oxfam. Right: Getting ruthless with Ed Westwick on *Gossip Girl*.



**M**ichelle Trachtenberg had plenty of practice for her current role as a backstabbing, boyfriend-stealing bully on *Gossip Girl*. She was once the target of bullying herself.

"When I was 13, we moved to L.A. from Brooklyn. Kids were pretty cruel to me," she says, sitting in the window of a West Village café on a fiercely rainy day in New York City. "I got ridiculed, ostracized, ganged-up on, you name it."

Trachtenberg has come a long way since high school. She stars in two buzzy fall TV shows—the new hospital drama *Mercy* and *Gossip Girl*—as well as in the Bruce Willis flick *A Couple of Dicks*, due out next year. Now she's also collaborating with designer Monica Botkier on a new handbag, with a chunk of the proceeds going to Oxfam International, the charity that fights poverty around the world.

"We're lucky in this country," says Trachtenberg. "I've never understood people who—for lack of a better word—crap all over their opportunity. I'm very grateful." She pauses to point and laugh at a rain-drenched rat darting for cover outside the window.

"It's the way my mommy raised me," she continues, describing her Russian-born mother, a former puppeteer who worked hard to raise her two daughters as a single mom. "Yes," she adds with a wry smile. "I'm 24 and still say mommy." **mc**

The ultimate  
**GOODY BAG**

Michelle Trachtenberg isn't a mean girl—she just plays one on TV. In real life, she's designed a bag you can feel virtuous about buying

By Abigail Pesta  
Photographed by Perry Hagopian



**PURSE PORN**  
The glossy leather bag designed by Trachtenberg and Monica Botkier. Left: (844)botkier.com.

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Bryant (left)  
and Botkier

## bag lunches

Purse designer **Monica Botkier** is three collaborations deep into a partnership with **Oxfam International**, and her latest carryall—of which 50 percent of sales benefits the hunger-eradicating charity—just might be the most irresistible to date. Created with actress **Joy Bryant** (the first two were made with Michelle Trachtenberg and Minnie Driver), this one is a true multitasker: "Joy has a great casual, boho-chic style," Botkier explains, "even though she dresses up really well, too." To that end, they built a bag worthy of making it out of the closet regardless of the occasion. It's roomy—but ladylike—and is cut from season-proof brown leather. [SHOPBOTKIER.COM](http://SHOPBOTKIER.COM)



"JOY" LEATHER  
BAG, \$216,  
BOTKIER,  
SHOPBOTKIER.COM

**Tory Burch** is constantly turning out gorgeous pieces to support her eponymous foundation, which provides loans and business opportunities for American women in need. 100 percent of the proceeds from our newest favorite—this offbeat charm necklace—goes to the cause.

[TORYBURCH.COM](http://TORYBURCH.COM)  
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NECKLACE, \$350,  
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BRYANT AND MONICA BOTKIER'S NECKLACE, COURTESY OF  
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## child's play

As a brilliant embodiment of its philanthropic work, the tanks, totes, and T-shirts made for **Marni's** in-house charity, **The Children's Imaginary World**, feature artwork by impoverished kids from around the globe. The resulting items—which fit right in with the Italian fashion label's crafts-cool aesthetic—raise funds to procure basic necessities in such far-flung countries as Tibet and Colombia. [MARNI.COM](http://MARNI.COM)



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IMAGINARY  
WORLD" TEE, \$34,  
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### INSIDE Monica Botkier's BAG

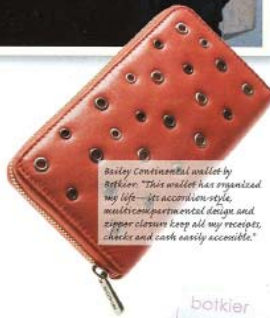
MONICA BOTKIER broke into the industry as a fashion photographer, and today she still uses her trained eye to create her namesake line of bags that meld high-end quality with downtown edge. Her recent design collaboration with Hollywood "It Girl" Michelle Trachtenberg resulted in the Michelle satchel, which not only looks good, it does good too, with proceeds benefiting Oxfam International. As for how the collaboration came about, Botkier explains, "We were both at an Oxfam International event last year. Shortly after, Michelle approached me about codesigning a bag that would benefit [the charity], and I was thrilled about the idea. Oxfam International fights poverty worldwide, so I feel great about supporting it." Naturally, we had to know what keeps this on-the-go girl, well, on the go. —L.T.



Michelle satchel for Oxfam International



Michelle Trachtenberg



*Bailey Continental wallet by Botkier: "This wallet has organized my life—it's accordion-style, multi-compartmental design and zipper closure keep all my receipts, checks and cash easily accessible."*

*"The Flip is the most compact and easy to use video camera. It's sleek and small, you never know when the kids will do something amazing. It's brilliant!"*



*Jelena cosmetic case by Botkier: "This holds the perfect amount of makeup for on-the-run touch-ups."*



*"Kiehl's Perfume Co.'s Creme de Rose is my favorite lip balm. It smells like chocolate, and the cute pink tin makes it easy to find in the bottom of my bag. Also in tow, my Giovanni Cosmetics individually wrapped antibacterial wipes—they keep my hands germ-free, soft and smelling like citrus!"*



Brooklyn hobo

Howard Street satchel

Rivington drawstring

**Monica's Picks** "For spring 2010 the collection is all about gypsy glam. It's bohemian with a modern twist, and we have some very exciting new silhouettes and materials. A few of my favorite spring styles are the Howard Street large satchel, the Brooklyn hobo and the Rivington drawstring."

*"My sketchbook is pocket size, twice bound and made of multicolored construction paper. It goes with me everywhere as I never know when I'm going to get inspiration for my next design."*

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 Ashley Greene  
 Edward Street leather satchel, \$625; Bloomingdale's.com

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# Cold Mountain

As the temperatures drop, pretty embellished knitwear, fur-trimmed scarves, and even the iciest of hats.

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## trigger happy

Handbag brand Botkier is proving it's more than a one-hit wonder. *By Jennifer Hirschlag*

**MONICA BOTKIER IS USED TO BEING BEHIND THE CAMERA.** ON A recent afternoon, however, the former fashion photographer for publications such as *Nylon*, *Surface*, *Seventeen* and *Fitness* is poised before the lens, getting used to her new role as the face behind burgeoning accessories brand Botkier.

Propelled by its runaway hit, the Trigger bag, which has sold some 40,000 units since it first stocked the shelves at Barneys New York in September 2003, the brand has grown from a side project for Botkier into a viable company: It now supports 11 full-time employees, operates out of a new 4,000-square-foot space in New York's Soho district and offers some 20 silhouettes, including this spring's Bianca satchel, which retailers such as Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, Calypso, Intermix, Jale in Chicago and Stanley Korshak in Dallas could turn into another home run.

For full Botkier is expanding the brand's handbag assortment to 25 styles that will retail from \$300 to \$500, and adding on a few specialty looks featuring custom-developed hardware and higher price tags. There also will be an edited selection of small leather goods that will sell for around \$175, as well as belts.

And Botkier is not planning on stopping there.

"I have my eye on a bigger company," she said, adding that growth continues to be vigorous, with 45 percent wholesale gains from the fall 2005 to the spring 2006 season. "But right now, for example, I'm not thinking about sheets and plans. Eventually, I might lose to make everything, so down the line I'll see where it goes. I want to take it one step at a time."

The 32-year-old Brooklyn, N.Y.-born Botkier admitted to having a fetish for luxury handbags, spending a photo shoot's salary in her 20s to procure a Jil Sander or the latest Yves Saint Laurent look that she would see among the accessories catalog in the fashion spreads. Nevertheless, Botkier had no plans at the time to become the next contender in the high-end handbag market.

"I was really developing this crazy obsession with handbags," she said. "I got a saccharine high from buying these bags, but the more I used them, I would think how I spent so much money on them and they weren't as functional as I needed them to be. I had the idea — and it was such a casual idea — to make my own little satchel."

Botkier took a few leather skins that she had among a stash used to construct photography portfolios and a drawing to a store that claimed to custom-make bags.

"I rolled in there with my sketch and my piece of leather and they said, 'That's not what we mean. You can choose among these leathers and these bodies, and you can mix and match them,'" she said.

After some convincing, however, the owner agreed to take on the project, and the result was the prototype for Botkier's Trigger bag.

"Me and my bag were very happy for a little while," said Botkier. "But I didn't think about it beyond carrying it."

Encouraged by models, editors and eventually a friend who was a designer and offered to exhibit the bag at Paris' Premiere Classe, Botkier decided to give the business a chance.

"I having that background in fashion helped get my foot in the door, because I think one of the

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The East West Trigger satchel.



The Storm hole.



Monica Botkier



The Bianca bag.

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### Art With Heft

THE California artist John Baldessari, whose work frequently uses photographic images and winks at mass production, has teamed up with the accessories designer Monica Botkier to create a limited-edition black cowhide tote, benefiting Independent Curators International. Bags signed by the artist are \$500; unsigned, \$300. Mr. Baldessari designed the ICI logo on the inside pocket and the metal key charm with a replica of his signature, in addition to the print on the face. "Pure Beauty," a major retrospective of the artist's work, is now at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Botkier NoLita boutique, 246 Mott Street; (212) 625-1680; botkier.com and ici-exhibitions.org.



### naissance

he said, "It's very striking, with these red barber chairs and this barbershop photo-mural. And it's nice to see well-dressed, well-groomed men coming the hair of equally well-dressed guys." ... the most concerned that had found the spot where he could get the short, early-1990s model haircut — complete with a neat side part — that he had wanted for years. And he was right. ... However, Mr. Clinton, 38, discovered what other young men in New York have begun to notice in recent months: In the city's most stylish neighborhood 210 Park Ave., there has been a renaissance of the much-loved old neighborhood staple, the barbershop. ... "Proving Fava Livonari's oft-cited dictum that "you're only as good as your last haircut," authentic-looking barbershops have

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## Your Style flash

**Shoe & bag report**  
Shop for fall: three trends to try



What's brown and blue with black piping? A tote that goes with pretty much every coat. \$650; ToryBurch.com



A bold suede strap wraps some extra personality around a small bag. \$235; FreeEndearment.com



If you only want to dip your toes in the trend, opt for low-profile flats. \$158; ColeHaan.com



Revel in striking straps all fall, then reinvent them with opaque tights. Bettye Muller. \$495; PeterKahn.com

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Refined silk puts an adult spin on a crayon color. Adam. \$225; ShepAdam.com

Knee-lengths are in! Rebecca Taylor. \$295; Bergdorf Goodman. 800-558-1855



Pair a wide with platform heels to amplify the fun. \$248; Elie Tahari.com for stores

Coral gives a tan pump pop, but you can still treat the shoe as a neutral. Enzo Angiolini. \$99; select Macy's. 800-343-0121



The hobo has been hot for a few seasons now. Lush purple and wine make it feel fresh again. \$545; Botkier.com



With four criss-crossing straps, a shoulder bag showcases two trends. (See the next page for more skins.) Diane von Furstenberg. \$545; 646-486-4800



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