

fashion forward

THE SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE

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Scale the heights of fashion
with elegance and grace

Rising to the occasion

Cheap
& chic
style

Tory
Burch:
Design's
shining star

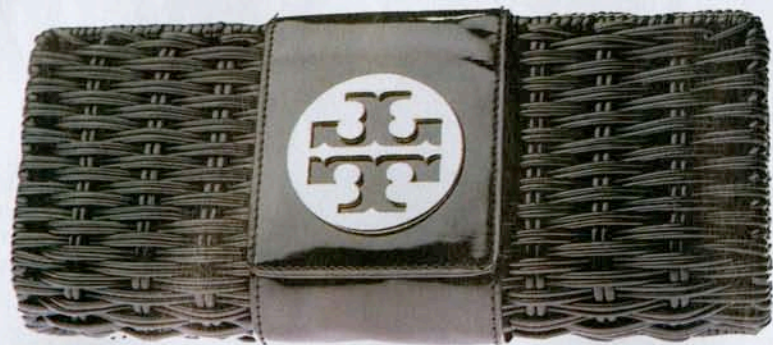
FALL ESSENTIALS

Finishing touches

CLUTCH PLAYER

While big bags still abound, the clutch has made a comeback. The smaller size moves from the workplace to the weekend with ease, making staid trousers look fresh and a simple jeans and T-shirt combo seem unexpected. Downsizing has never been so sophisticated.

— JENNIFER DAVIES



TORY BURCH

Provence woven clutch.
\$275 AT BLOOMINGDALE'S

KOoba

Josephine oversized silver-lined clutch.
\$385 AT BLOOMINGDALE'S



CHLOÉ

Vera clutch in patent leather.
\$1,180 AT NORDSTROM

It's showtime at Fashion Valley

Walk around Fashion Valley and you'll see a number of storefronts boarded up. No, the sputtering economy isn't dragging down San Diego County's premier luxury mall. In fact, Fashion Valley is becoming ever-more upscale and unique, adding a wide range of new retailers to its already impressive roster, including Henri Bendel, Hermès, Juicy Couture and Kate Spade. The mall is hosting a bevy of events this weekend to showcase the latest fashions and its ever-expanding roster of retailers. Here's the rundown.

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FRIDAY, 7 P.M.

Luxury Runway Fashion Show with host/celebrity stylist Robert Verdi. Featuring fashions from: Betsey Johnson, Jimmy Choo, CH Carolina Herrera, Just Cavalli, Custo Barcelona, M. Missoni, Henri Bendel and Tory Burch.

SATURDAY, 2 P.M.

Runway Fashion Show with Verdi. Featuring fashions from: Arden B., Jewel, Banana Republic, Lilly Pulitzer, Caché, Max Studio and Guess. Autograph session with Verdi to follow.

4 P.M.

Runway Fashion Show with host Christian Siriano, "Project Runway" winner. Featuring fashions from: Betsey Johnson, Jimmy Choo, CH Carolina Herrera, Just Cavalli, Custo Barcelona, M. Missoni, Henri Bendel and Tory Burch. Autograph session with Siriano to follow.

6 P.M.

Macy's Runway Fashion Show highlighting the season's hottest looks.

FROM NOON TO 6:30 P.M.

Cosmetic, skin care and product demonstrations throughout the mall.

More information: simon.com



FRAGMENTS

Multistrand purple crystal necklace.
\$329 AT NEIMAN MARCUS

NECKING ORDER

Forget the bangles and cuff bracelets of seasons past. Jewelry is going straight for the neck(line). From multilayered strands dripping with a collage of baubles to more dainty pearl sets to over-the-top costume jewelry, necklaces are making a comeback to complement the fall fashions that veer from ladylike luxury to grunge-rocker chic.

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BADGLEY MISCHKA

Crystal pendant and assorted-chain necklace.
\$290 AT NEIMAN MARCUS



LIP SERVICE

Bold or bare, lips are a focus this fall. Look for ultra-dark lips from MAC or barely there mauves from Bobbi Brown, which parallel the purple hues that are everywhere this season. Eyes offset the lips, with bare lips contrasting dramatic smoky eyes, with flashes of metallic shadow. Bruised berry lips go with eyes that are more au naturel. Mineral makeup from companies like Bare Essentials provides natural cover and glimmering highlights to cheekbones, another trend for the fall.

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