

To commence the "Canada Nouveau" festival, autumn collections from twelve Canadian design houses will be unveiled at a gala event at Liberty on September 27. The designers -- Bent Boys, Laura Kapp, Alfred Sung, Price Roman, Michael Tong, Tu Ly, Babel, Anne Seally, Comrags and Zapata, from Toronto, and Thalie and Denomme Vincent from Montreal -- are a mix of world trend setters and talent newly discovered by expert buyers from Liberty.

Says Paul Muller, Liberty's director of promotion and visual design: "London, Paris, Milan, Tokyo and New York are no longer the exclusive preserves of young fashion leadership. New young Canadian designers are setting standards which are attracting attention world-wide".

Canadian arts and cultural events around London during the period include jazz and classical music concerts, fine arts and book displays and a U.K. film premiere.

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