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Letter From the Editor

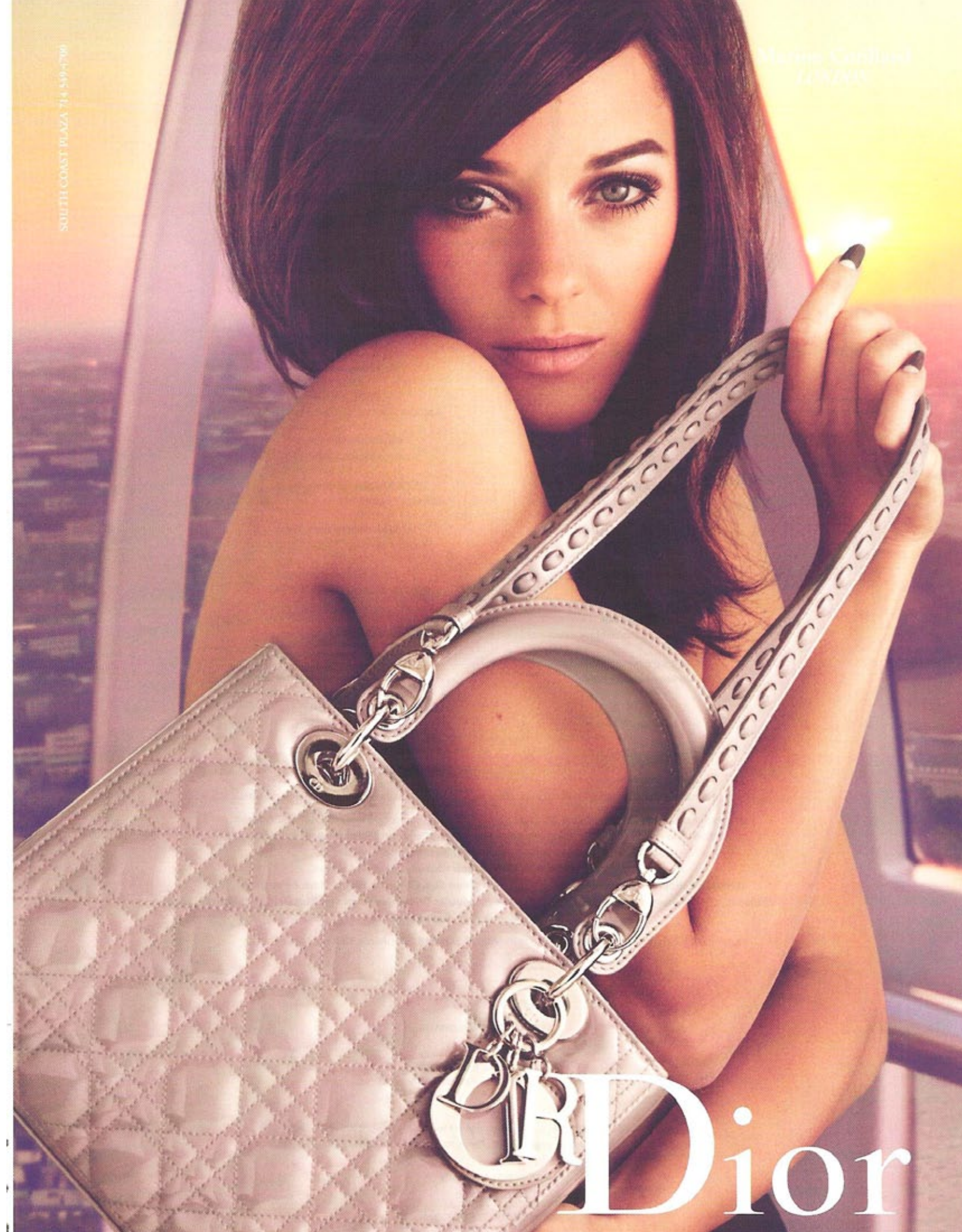


My what a year this has been. Looking back upon January, I reread my old verse and think that I, like everyone the world over, had such a fire in my belly. The new year represented a blank page with which each of us could write upon with our dreams and desires. Yet, here we are, at the end of the same year and somehow all those wishes we had seem a bit tarnished. And I cannot but feel that whether by time or circumstance, something happened in 2011 that has left us all a bit deflated.

I suppose it is good then that the holiday season is upon us. It gives our heavy hearts a restbit from the world. By providing happiness to others, we ourselves are uplifted. Yes, the world has battered us these past 11 month, but we have not relented. We are still strong. Inside this issue, we have provided you with all the products the world could offer. From sparkling jewels, exquisite watches, to practical travel luggage and accoutrements, our December Gift Guide is chock full of sumptuous offerings.

So as we close out 2011, let us give our souls one last push to the finish line. Hopefully, our Gift Guide can provide you with some diversion and you can choose the perfect gift for someone special. In all practicality though, let me remind us all, myself included, that what was once a sad pile of basic elements, having been forged in the fire, pressure and destructive forces of Mother Nature, came the precious jewels we so admire. I have a sneaky feeling that on Dec. 31st, we shall see our own brilliant shine come through as well. Happy Holidays.

Jeffrey Gomez
Editor In Chief



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Shaving is a nuisance to most men, myself included. Perhaps it is because we are bombarded with disposable and trite equipment with which to shave. Thankfully, the acclaimed industrial designer and HOMMAGE co-founder, Wolfgang Joensson has created a kit that will make for an excellent gift this holiday season for the scruffy man in your life.

The precision cast Razor and Brush attach to a stand with a patented magnetic design for a one-of-a-kind presentation, effortless retrieval and easy drying. Also featured is a rubberized stand base for solid grip on wet surfaces. Brilliant! The set, again created by an industrial designer, features precise curvature and supreme craftsmanship of the brush and razor, which is ergonomically molded for the hand, resulting in a smooth effortless shave. Hallelujah! And to make certain you shave is as smooth as possible, the razor is compatible with Gillette Mach3 blades. The complete set is packed in a gift box made of Tanzanian wood, accented with rhodium hinges and finished with a gray Italian lacquer that matches the color of the carbon fiber. Each box is equipped with an accessories tray capable of holding cuff links, glasses, tie clips, rings, and an insert to display wrist-watches.

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