

THE GLOBE AND MAIL

ON THE RADAR



NEW YORK

Fashion designer-turned-visual artist Helmut Lang debuts a series of sculptures in his first New York gallery solo show. Held at Sperone Westwater on the Lower East Side, the exhibit shows off Lang's ability to rework past outfits and repurpose ordinary materials such as plaster, rubber, sheepskin and foam into vertical modern artworks. Approximately 200 abstract sculptures, some reaching over three metres in height, are painted in monochrome tones that further show off their unique textures and shapes. The exhibit runs Jan. 8 to Feb. 15. speronewestwater.com



DIJON, FRANCE

Slated to open in February, Vertigo Hôtel is a thoroughly modern redesign of a Haussmann-style hotel. Architect Yvon Carminati and designer Ludvine De Brito fashioned interiors in black and white, with suspended beds, mirror-media-entertainment-systems, lighting by Hervé Languais and contemporary art by the likes of Didier Gomez and Tom Dixon. Guests have access to complimentary BMW i3 electric cars, a hammam spa, indoor swimming pool, private cinema and cigar lounge. L'Embassy Bar, a favourite Dijon watering hole, also underwent a spit and polish. vertigohoteldijon.com



DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

One of the newest luxury boutique hotels on the Dalmatian Coast is housed in a 15th-century palace. Inside, the decor is inspired by the work of such European artists as Max Gasparini, Velimir Trnski, Birgit Lorenz and others. Guest rooms are cozy and decorated in a mix of contemporary classic furnishings. To settle into more spacious surroundings – albeit in an annex of the hotel – opt for one of five self-catering apartments. Each are designed to honour artists such as Vermeer, Van Gogh and Rembrandt and come with a fully equipped kitchen and complimentary WiFi. prijekopalace.com



DUBAI

If you've ever wanted to get a view of the sunrise from atop the world's tallest building, now's your chance. Burj Khalifa is now accepting reservations for weekend sunrise viewings from its 124th-floor observation deck. Viewings run from 5:30 to 8 a.m. After you've seen the City of Gold go from dark to light, stop in at the exhibition that follows the history of Burj Khalifa and then ride back down the world's fastest double-deck elevator. Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$30 for children. burjkhalifa.ae/en

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