

NEW YORK, NY—Tiffany & Co. and Council of Fashion Designers of America (CFDA) are pleased to announce **Jameel Mohammed** as the recipient of the inaugural Jewelry Designer Award, a first-of-its-kind award recognizing outstanding American jewelry designers who are committed to driving inclusivity within the design industry. **Jameel Mohammed** receives USD \$50,000 and a one-year paid fellowship within Tiffany & Co.'s design department.

To celebrate the award, Tiffany & Co. and CFDA hosted an intimate cocktail reception at Tiffany & Co.'s iconic Fifth Avenue flagship: The Landmark. At the event, Tiffany & Co.'s Global Vice President of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging, Stéphanie Oueda-Cruz, presented the award along with CFDA CEO Steven Kolb and Tiffany & Co. CMO Andrea Davey.

Notable attendees included selection committee members Bethann Hardison, Frank Everett, Jahleel Weaver, Jason Wu, Joan Smalls, Nathalie Verdeille, Rajni Jacques, in addition to Lauren Santo Domingo, Jessica Wang, Amy Fine Collins, Yao King, Lauren Levinson, Samira Nasr, Mark Holgate, Hannah Bronfman and Tina Leung.

The program, which ran from October 2024 to January 2025, recognized 10 participants who were chosen by the selection committee and tasked with designing a final presentation for the committee's review this morning, paying homage to Tiffany & Co.'s illustrious heritage and inventiveness.

Throughout the course of four months, the participants engaged in monthly mentoring sessions with Tiffany & Co.'s design team, received tours of The Landmark and the House's Jewelry Design and Innovation Workshop (JDIW), and in-depth lecture series focusing on various topics including visual merchandising, jewelry trends, brand identity, sustainability, and gemstones. Part of Tiffany's and the CFDA's respective social impact platforms, Tiffany Atrium and CFDA Impact, this award reflects both institutions' shared ideals of innovation and commitment to excellence within the world of design.

### **2024 Tiffany & Co. x CFDA Jewelry Designer Award Participants:**

- Angie Marei
- David Perry
- Ian Delucca
- Jameel Mohammed
- Hi Vu
- Maggi Simpkins

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- Malyia McNaughton
- Marvin Linares
- Pamela Zamore
- Symoné Currie

**2024 Selection Committee:**

- Bethann Hardison, CFDA Board Member & Advocate
- Frank Everett, Vice Chairman, Jewelry, Sotheby's
- Gabrielle Union, Actress
- Jahleel Weaver, Creative Director & Stylist
- Jason Wu, Founder & Chief Creative Officer, CFDA Member
- Joan Smalls, Supermodel & Actress
- Nathalie Verdeille, Chief Artistic Officer, Jewelry and High Jewelry, Tiffany & Co.
- Rajni Jacques, Global Head of Fashion & Beauty, Snap Inc.

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**About Tiffany & Co.**

Tiffany & Co., founded in New York City in 1837 by Charles Lewis Tiffany, is a global luxury jeweler synonymous with elegance, innovative design, fine craftsmanship and creative excellence.

With more than 300 retail stores worldwide and a workforce of more than 14,000 employees, Tiffany & Co. and its subsidiaries design, manufacture and market jewelry, watches and luxury accessories. Over 3,000 skilled artisans cut Tiffany diamonds and craft

jewelry in the House's own workshops, realizing the brand's commitment to superlative quality.

Tiffany & Co. has a long-standing commitment to conducting its business responsibly, sustaining the natural environment, prioritizing diversity, equity and inclusion, and positively impacting the communities in which it operates. To learn more about Tiffany & Co. and its commitment to sustainability, please visit [tiffany.com](https://www.tiffany.com).

### **About Tiffany Atrium**

Tiffany Atrium is the House's social impact platform. Fostering and strengthening the connection between education, community and creativity, Tiffany Atrium's overarching goal is to advance professional opportunities for historically underrepresented communities. Drawing on the intersection of art and jewelry design, Tiffany Atrium leverages Tiffany's influences in both spaces with the goal to create long-term impact. Tiffany Atrium continues to build upon its mission to create more access and opportunity in the jewelry space by developing the next generation of innovative talent for historically underrepresented communities.

To learn more, visit: <https://www.tiffany.com/sustainability/community/atrium/>

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### **About CFDA**

The Council of Fashion Designers of America, Inc. (CFDA) is a not-for-profit trade association founded in 1962 with a membership of more than 350 of America's foremost womenswear, menswear, jewelry, and accessory designers. Pillars include Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion through the IMPACT initiative, as well as Sustainability in Fashion. The organization provides its Members with timely and relevant thought-leadership and business development support. Emerging designers and students are supported through professional development programming and numerous grant and scholarship opportunities. In addition to hosting the annual CFDA Fashion Awards, the organization owns the Fashion Calendar and is the organizer of the Official New York Fashion Week Schedule. The CFDA Foundation, Inc. is a separate, not-for-profit organized to mobilize the membership to raise funds for charitable causes and engage in civic initiatives.

### **About CFDA IMPACT**

The Council of Fashion Designers of America (CFDA) established IMPACT to further the

economic mobility and social inclusion of Black and Brown people in the American fashion industry by expanding access to jobs, providing career development and exploration, and building community among existing and emerging talent. As a multi-pronged approach, IMPACT seeks to create equitable and sustainable change in the representation and advancement of diverse creatives and professionals in fashion.