FASHION: Kay Unger dress, $490, Rene Caovilla shoes, $1,210, Judith Leiber clutch, $4,495, Badgley Mischka chandelier earrings, $225, Neiman Marcus.

ART: "Observer," a 5-panel encaustic photo painting by Jeff League.

The Art of FASHION

Leopard, leather and bold colors are the hot trends for this year's fashion palette.

At the turn of the 20th century, art and fashion design were closely intertwined, more so than they are today. Artists and designers hesitated to differentiate the two forms of creative, and fashion mirrored artistic trends of the time. Textile patterns, shapes and silhouettes reflected the work of respected artists who were frequently commissioned to illustrate clothing designs that echoed popular artistic movements. Advances in ornamentation, embellishments and intricate detailing actually showed the evolutionary trends of fashion, art and time.

Whether fashion can still be regarded as "art" poses questions, but many believe fashion design is a talent and a craft worthy of artistic recognition. So, this fall, we're celebrating art's influence on fashion.

Runways are stenciled with a bold color palette, rich prints, timeless classics with an engaging new twist and the return of fashionable favorites. Red is on fire in all shades and styles, and theatrical colors include flirty purples and bold blues. The classic leopard print makes another audacious comeback, with dare-to-wear animal prints outside the typical range of black, brown and white.

A great tailored jacket shows off curves. Motorcycle jackets are haute and a must-have item for autumn, especially in sizzling red. Step into a peep-toe bootie and a pair of sleek, black leggings paired with a cozy sweater, and you've got another reason to curl up by the fire.

You can also turn over a new leaf this holiday season with a Bohemian-luxury-style gown or a sweeping one-shoulder dress that reveals just enough skin for a classic yet sultry look. And don't forget the timeless little black dress. But this year, it's all about the details.

Model Adrienne Ferreira, with hair and makeup by Elsie Knab, showcases the art of fashion while on location at Millenia Fine Art in Orlando (milleniafineart.com). A lot of former trends have made their way back, but overall, this fall is about color, texture and GLAMOUR!

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FASHION: St. John jacket, $1,195, St. John pants, $950, St. John shell, $295, Jimmy Choo clutch, $595, Saks Fifth Avenue; Lee Angel bracelet, $225, Christian Louboutin shoes, $825, Neiman Marcus.

ART: "Small Horse" and "Leviathan," polished steel sculptures by Doug Hays (left); "Bono On Stage" and "Johnny Rotten," computer-generated photomosaics (right).

FASHION: Ellen Tracy jacket, $698, Lafayette 148 shell, $168, Lafayette 148 blouse, $248, 6126 leggings, $98, Christian Louboutin shoes, $825, Michael Kors bag, $1,595, Neiman Marcus.

ART: "Yosakura," a polished steel sculpture by Doug Hays; "Doll Sequence I," digital X-ray photography by Nick Veasey, who created the technique.

FASHION: A.B.S. Collection dress, $395, Lauren Merkin clutch, $250, Ralph Lauren sandal, $69, Judith Ripka ring and earrings, $700 & $1,050, Bloomingdale's.

ART: The Chihuly Wall features individual hand-painted acrylic on paper paintings by Dale Chihuly.

FASHION: BCBG dress, $198, Prada shoes, $525, BCBG handbag, $278, Saks Fifth Avenue; Badgley Mischka earrings, $250, Lee Angel bracelet, $225, Neiman Marcus; Hue tights, $12.50, Bloomingdale's.

ART: World's premier glass artist, Dale Chihuly. "Aqua Blue and Amber Chandelier" and "Mille Fiori XVII."

FASHION: DKNY dress, $325, DKNY cozy, $195, Hue tights, $12.50, Hobo belt, $74, Michael Kors handbag, $498, Enzo suede bootie, $115, Lydell NYC bracelets, $25 each, Cara gold chain, $45, Bloomingdale's.

ART: Varnished acrylic on canvas with forced perspective by Bryce Hammond: "Brooklyn Gallery With Trap Doors" (left) and "Everything Is Closed In Coney Island" (right).

FASHION: Lafayette 148 jacket, $448, Lafayette 148 skirt, $248, Wolford tights, $42, Prada shoes, $690, Michael Kors bag, $2,995, Neiman Marcus.

ART: Acrylic on canvas by Harold Garde, legendary American abstract expressionist: "Bottle Pinnacles" (left); and acrylic on canvas by Bryce Hammond: "Tabletop With Hazmat Guys" (right).