

Qua Lacquerware – Announcement of the Phoenix Collection

Brex International, maker of fine lacquerware brand *Qua*, announced the addition of new and unique ornamental pieces to its elegant tabletop collections. The new arrivals – the **Phoenix Collection**, include limited editions for the upcoming Christmas and New Year, are specially designed and created for the chic and refined individuals with savoir-faire for home styling.

Qua's Phoenix Collection will debut in November 2009, at **New Heritage @ TANGS** exclusively. This collection features a series of red and gold lacquerware inlaid with gold leaf featuring various forms of the Phoenix, the highest ranked bird in the Chinese culture, which represents beauty and good luck.

The items include as the trinket boxes, and Cocktail Coasters. They are perfect for the festive season and yet infused with a modern artistry that will last even after the occasion.

Inspiration of the Phoenix & Peony Collection

Fenghuang are mythological birds of East Asia that reign over all other birds. The Fenghuang has very positive connotations. It is a symbol of high virtue and grace. The Fenghuang also symbolizes the union of yin and yang. Each part of Fenghuang's body symbolizes a word, the head represents virtue, the wing represents duty, the back represents propriety, the abdomen says belief and the chest represents mercy.

In ancient China, they can often be found in the decorations for weddings or royalty, along with dragons. This is because the Chinese considered the dragon and phoenix symbolic of blissful relations between husband and wife, another common yin and yang metaphor.

The predominant theme our collection depicts a luxuriant shrub of blossoming peonies with a phoenix perched on it.

About Brex International & Qua Lacquerware

Founded in 2002, Brex International is headquartered, with the design team in Singapore and a production team based in Vietnam. The company designs, creates and sells a variety of unique decorative accessories that can only be found in specialty and gift boutiques and 5* hotels in Asia and Europe.

Synonymous with Quality, *Qua* is created to bring to the market, a refined brand of lacquer ware products and offer different assortments such as the dinnerware, table accessory, jewelry, decorative home products, and collectors' items. *Qua* is focused on bringing to the customers sophisticated designs that reflect the personalities and beauty of each handmade piece. Made with an exquisite quality and brilliant craftsmanship for the stylish lifestyle connoisseur, *Qua* will continue to create beautiful decorative accents for the home.

Prices start from \$39 for a trinket box to \$350 for a lamp



Picture above: trinket box (\$39) and coaster set (\$69)

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