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# TOP 7 what we want this week

## BEST IN FEST

Rock out with boho-inspired essentials that will carry you through the sizzling days of summer



1. NO-FAIL SANDALS These metallic gladiators upgrade everything from breezy frocks to cutoff shorts. **Forever 21** metallic strap sandals, \$25, [forever21.com](#) 2. FESTIVAL CROWN Channel your inner flower child with a blooming headpiece. **Headmistress** Wonder Wheel floral crown, \$49, [loveheadmistress.com](#) 3. COMPACT CARRYALL A small cross-body bag is the perfect hands-free companion for frolicking through fields. **Express** bag, \$50, [express.com](#) 4. SHADES UP Shield your eyes with oversized sunnies that exude A-list style. **Ann Taylor** sunglasses, \$68, [anntaylor.com](#) 5. ONE-STOP SHOP Stay looking fresh with this all-in-one BB formula. Built-in SPF works to conceal, protect and moisturize skin. **Vichy** Proeven BB Cream, \$35, at drugstores and pharmacies 6. PRETTY POUT Complete a sun-kissed glow with a sheer wash of glossy colour. **Mark** Glimmer Shine Lip Gloss in Nude Glimmer, \$12, [avon.ca](#) 7. FUN TIPS Liven up with playful nails in a vivid hue. **Avon** Nailwear Pro Nail Enamel in Serene, \$7, [avon.ca](#)

—NATASHA BRUNO/PHOTOGRAPHY BY ADRIAN ARMSTRONG

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### ASK JEANNE

*Most summer clothes in fashion magazines are too casual for the corporate environment I work in. How can I boost my business suits with stylish accessories or makeup? —Lili*

DEAR LILI: Always remember this adage I've subscribed to for years: "It's not what you wear; it's how you wear it." I agree that most of the styling for these summer magazines is dictated by the relaxed and playful spirit of the season. And so, many of the colourful, print pieces are being presented in ways that look more worthy of the beach than the boardroom. But even the most staid office environments can use a little pizzazz. I'd try a splash of colour or some subtle lace under your business suits. Coloured shoes are all the rage, and a pretty pair of sleek, vibrant pumps could really elevate your working girl wardrobe. Or try a bright, strappy heel if you're feeling more daring. That would be especially nice peeking out from under a pair of slacks.

Bags always make for great style statements, from over-sized clutches to boldly coloured totes to print hand-bags. Even a classy straw number could certainly lighten your look. And don't forget the joys of lovely silk scarves to boost your business suits. Animal prints are especially welcome and a hint of exotica never hurt anyone in the workplace.

In terms of jewellery, I'm a big fan of cuffs and bangles. Just make sure any bracelets you choose won't be clanging around too much. Big hoop earrings always say summer, but I'd stay away from anything too dangly. When it comes to makeup, less is more. Try an illuminating base coat under your foundation, and perhaps a light brushing of bronzing powder. And make sure to keep your foundation super light.

One of the biggest makeup trends going right now is coloured mascara. And a pale, pastel pink or peach lip is lovely, but for something a little punchier, try coral or even classic red.

Finally, fragrance can really help put you in the breezy, summertime mode. Make sure you don't go overboard for the office. A subtle, light floral or citrus scent is perfect for day wear, and will undoubtedly put you in the right, feminine frame of mind to get any job done.

Send questions to [askjeanne@thekit.ca](mailto:askjeanne@thekit.ca). Jeanne Beker is a contributing editor to the *Toronto Star* and host of Fashion Television Channel. Follow on Twitter @Jeanne\_Beker



Sport hot-hued heels à la Yasmin Le Bon

# radar



## MAKING MUSIC + FASHION

Rapper Misfit Dior is ditching her old name for a new one: Laeticia DeValer. She wants to make the switch before her album comes out this summer to show her evolved music style. The rapper, whose favourite label is Dior (duh!), is also designing a collection that will debut at Barneys New York and Bergdorf Goodman "very soon," according to her blog. —Courtney Greenberg



## BOWIE STYLE

Chances are you've been influenced in some way or another by David Bowie: his music, his makeup, his style or his attitude. And now there's a chance to delve deep inside his life and discover a selection of music videos, set designs, clothes and album artwork at the Art Gallery of Ontario, as the *David Bowie Is* exhibit explores the life of the pop icon. David Bowie starts Sept. 25 until Nov. 27 —C.G.

## CRAZY FOR CHRISTIAN

It might be festival season but put your Birkenstocks aside and experience the magic of Christian Louboutin's iconic red-soled shoes. Toronto's Design Exchange Museum welcomes the coveted footwear in an exhibit celebrating his 20 years of success. See over 250 pairs of shoes, sketches and personal artifacts from June 21 to Sept. 15. Visit [dx.org](#) for more info. —April Corner



## HELLO, BEAUFILLE

Known for their grunge-chic look, Canadian-born sister designer duo Chloe and Parris Gordon are behind the label Chloe Comme Parris. Since their runway debut in 2011, they've wowed fashion crowds here and in New York, but they recently decided they want to appeal to a global crowd and changed the label's name to Beaufille, which is French for "handsome girl." —C.G.



STREET STYLE

# FESTIVAL FASHION

As outdoor music season begins, we hit the Arts & Crafts Field Trip to snap inspiration that will keep your look rocking all summer long ■ VANESSA TAYLOR & ALEX LAWS ■ PHOTOGRAPHY: NORMAN WONG



**NAME:** Dixie Gong  
**OCCUPATION:** Freelance writer  
**FROM:** Toronto  
**OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT:** "My Mink Pink suede shirt."



**NAME:** Misty Fox (left) and Violet Keeler-Fox  
**OCCUPATION:** Makeup artist and dancing daughter  
**FROM:** Toronto  
**OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT:** "My necklace—it's vintage from 1972, and the skirt's Mendocino. It's amazing!" says Fox.



**NAME:** Olivia Collett and Harry Runge  
**OCCUPATION:** Restaurant workers  
**FROM:** Toronto  
**OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT:** "My bubble pants; they're Cynthia Rowley. My boyfriend got them for me."



**NAME:** Nicole Plener  
**OCCUPATION:** PR manager  
**FROM:** Toronto  
**OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT:** "My fringe top. I got it at Jac Flash."



**NAME:** Kira Bruce and Sam Goldberg Jr.  
**OCCUPATION:** Legal assistant and bass player  
**FROM:** Montreal  
**OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT:** "My Levi's shorts from 69 Vintage."



**NAME:** Ashley Moore  
**OCCUPATION:** Publicist  
**FROM:** Toronto

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**NAME:** Kate Corbett  
**OCCUPATION:** Stylist, Plutino Group  
**FROM:** Toronto  
**OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT:** "Definitely the wild American pants. You can't wear them to many places!"

## cheat sheet

Just take one pair of jeans and add these easy extras for instant indie chic

■ VANESSA TAYLOR

**THE EQUIPMENT**  
Lomography La Sardina Camera  
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**BAT FOR LASHES**  
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**THE ROUND CROSS-BODY BAG**  
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## singing pretty

Two musical icons performing at the festival share their top tips for fashion and beauty on the go ■ ALEX LAWS

the kit asked...	 <b>AMY MILLAN</b> BAND: STARS HOMETOWN: MONTREAL	 <b>LOUISE BURNS</b> BAND: GOLD & YOUTH HOMETOWN: VANCOUVER
	 <b>GOT A LUCKY ITEM YOU PERFORM IN?</b>	My amazing white Gibson Les Paul with my black studded strap.
 <b>WHERE DO YOU LIKE TO SHOP?</b>	Rac boutique in Toronto has great finds and Lab Consignment sells second-hand pieces in beautiful shape (like my red Prada sandals I just bought).	Community Thrift in Vancouver, Chosen, Penny Arcade, and Silver Falls Vintage in Toronto. I also love Thomas Balint, who is based in Toronto—he makes amazing clothes.
	 <b>WHAT'S YOUR BEST DRUG-STORE STEAL?</b>	I love cheap white eyeliner. 
 <b>ARE YOU HIGH OR LOW MAINTENANCE?</b>	Depends. Is it high maintenance to ask for a steamer and a mirror? Being on tour can be pretty unglamorous. Trying to make the best of a situation makes for a better show.	I've been touring since I was a teenager so learned to become fairly low maintenance. All you really need is a giant coat with a hood, some red lipstick and makeup remover.
	 <b>NAME YOUR MUST-HAVE-ON-TOUR PRODUCT.</b>	Mineral water facial spray. It's a rejuvenating must on planes with terrible air and tour buses with no clean running water.
 <b>WHAT'S YOUR BEAUTY ADVICE?</b>	Drink water.	Take off your makeup, stay away from bad food.



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## SPOTTED

# WRAP PARTY!

A head scarf is the answer to all bad hair days and it doubles as a shawl, top and even sarong. Here's our wish list —INGRIE WILLIAMS



**ICONIC APPEAL**  
This chevron pattern makes a bold statement. **Missoni** scarf, \$265, at Holt Renfrew stores



**TURQUOISE DREAM**  
A seasonal twist on a vintage graphic. **Hermès** silk Les Dômes Célestes scarf, \$420, [hermes.com](http://hermes.com)



**BLOOM TOWN**  
Head out in oversized blossoms. **Banana Republic** silk scarf, \$62, [bananarepublic.ca](http://bananarepublic.ca)



**PLUME RAIDER**  
A free-spirited print in a gauzy texture. **Tilo** peacock scarf, \$125, [tilo.com](http://tilo.com)

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—ASHLEY KOWALEWSKI  
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CLOSET OF THE WEEK

# Kelly Oxford

Author, screenwriter, Los Angeles

BY THE COVETEUR



Canadian expat Kelly Oxford is a social media Cinderella story. Though she's been writing online for years, it was Twitter's 140-character limit that brought her fame. Throw in a best seller, a few scripts and a feature film, and the mom of three is a household name. As we rifled through Oxford's treasures and picked up a printed frock, she was quick to declare it her "Rihanna" dress. Turns out the Opening Ceremony number got Ri's seal of approval at a *GQ* party. "She spun me around and said 'Mmmm-hmmm, I love that dress! Girl, you got a nice ass.' And then I blacked out."



CLOCKWISE  
Oxford lounges at home in Isabel Marant platform sneakers and The Row sunglasses; sandals by Bosabo; Balenciaga heels on the bar; and a colourful dress by Carven.

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