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By Linda Jennings

The Kitchen & Bath Industry Show held recently in Las Vegas was welcomed enthusiastically! This year's event welcomed an eager crowd of industry professionals excited to learn about the latest products and trends in kitchen and bath design. KBIS, sponsored by the National Kitchen & Bath Association, was one of five shows folded into Design & Construction Week, which also includes the International Builders Show. The combined five trade shows gave attendees

an amazing opportunity to visit five industry trade events with just one badge. Total attendance was nearly 70,000 at IBS and 40,000 at KBIS with more than 1,800 exhibitors showcasing the latest housing products stretched across nearly one million net square feet of exhibit space. Highlights from the brands exhibiting included wellness products, personalized options, unique finishes and above all Color! Here are a few standouts:



The Dejen Collection from Acquabella

Haute Couture For The Bath

Acquabella debuted an exciting lineup of new collections in Vegas, including a crowd favorite, the new Dejen - a wall-mounted bathtub that conveys the elegance and luxury of a freestanding bathtub while making the most of bathroom space. Measuring 67" x 23" x 34", Dejen exudes modern appeal with sharp lines and rounded finishes. It is crafted from Acquabella's signature Dolotek material, a superior mineral composite, resulting in a flawless, silky, smooth-to-the-touch finish. Dolotek offers the added benefit of providing an antibacterial surface that is easy to clean, is amazingly durable and resistant to UV rays and thermal shock. The Dejen tub is offered in a snow white standard finish and includes options for a striking dual-tone look with pairings in brown, light grey, dark grey and black.



The Sebastian by Cartisan Design Vanity & Bath

Orange Sensation

Cartisan Design Vanity & Bath had a colorful display with their new Sebastian, and Barcelona vanities. The Sebastian has a beautiful shape and stunning Red Amber color, which contrast its dark walnut wooden legs. This outstanding design sets it apart from other vanities - modern & artistic. Two drawers provide comfortable storage space. Pure white countertops with white vessel sinks also bring a sense of freshness and cleanliness to the entire bath space. Also on display was the newest model Barcelona. This vanity brings elegance, texture, and clean lines to your bathing space. Barcelona features two sturdy undermount style sinks, as well as ample storage space for all bath necessities. Both are made from multi-layer engineering wood for durability.

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Roma in Marina by Native Trails

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Dramatic Blue Hues

Native Trails added to their beautiful Murano Collection of glass sinks with the Roma series. A distinguished halfglobe bowl with a ribbed exterior, Roma will be offered in two new design styles: Marina, where ribbons of blue and white hug each curve, and Seaspray, with translucent white swirls on a clear basin, creating a stunning light effect. Each glass vessel sink is expertly formed by Italian glassmakers with traditions dating back to the 13th century and given its own personality as an irreplaceable work of functional art. The molten glass is molded and spun while color is added and then hand shaped to sculpt each unique, inherently sustainable vessel sink. In addition to Marina and Seaspray, the Murano Collection consists of five design series—Beachcomber, Abyss, Bianco, Shoreline, and Abalone —each containing multiple sink styles and colors inspired by views of the Italian coastline.



Ruvati's Giana Workstation Kitchen Sink

Kitchen Sinks Go Glam

Ruvati brought the glamour to the show with their bold new line of kitchen workstation sinks. The Giana series brings colored stainless steel to Ruvati's popular workstation sinks. Available in various sizes and top-mount and undermount configurations, Giana sinks deliver a fabulously functional way of adding color to the kitchen. The new sinks are offered in an elegant Matte Gold or bold Gunmetal Black and come equipped with convenient accessories that include a corresponding color strainer and drain assembly. The Giana is meticulously crafted from 16 gauge premium T-304 stainless steel that will never rust or stain.



Nebia Corre Four Function Shower find us at Brondell

Shower Spray Precision

A new acquisition to the Brondell family, Nebia introduced the Corre Four-Function Handshowerat the show. Featuring a patented nozzle technology engineered to offer industryleading water conservation. Using 50% less water as compared to standard 2.5 gpm showerhead sprayers, atomizing nozzles produce millions of precise water droplets for optimal warmth, rinsing, and body coverage. Toggle easily between the 4 different modes, from soft showerhead spray to high-pressure spray, and enjoy a shower that's always tailored to your needs. It is offered in Oil Rubbed Bronze, Brushed Gold or a Matte Black option. Installation takes only a few minutes, and it includes a 72-inch hose and magnetic mounting for a secure hold and easy release.

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