

CFA Member Announcements!

March 29th, 2013

The California Fashion Association (CFA) is a non-profit organization established to provide information for business expansion and growth to the apparel and textile industry of California. The mission of the CFA is to define the industry's economic impact, and to outline export opportunities as well as global sourcing options.

California is the "Gate to the Americas" and American style!

Upcoming Events:

April 4: *Webinar*: "A Product of where? Country of Origin Marking 101" ([more info](#))

April 8-10: Los Angeles 'Majors' Market/ CMC

April 17: The Professional Club Networking Event / Blue Cow ([more info](#))

April 17-18: UL Responsible Sourcing Summit / Santa Monica ([more info](#))

April 18: California Fashion Foundation presents the 2013 TALA Scholarship Awards Luncheon

April 24-26: LAZR Tradeshow / Cooper Design Space

April 25: Fashion Industry Human Resource Meeting (FIHRA) - LA

April 27: Woodbury University Private VIP Dinner and Runway Show / Museum of Natural History

May 1: CFA Seminar for West Coast Manufacturing Conference ([more info](#))

May 2: Woodbury University Public Runway Show / Red Studios Hollywood

May 4: Otis College of Art & Design Scholarship Benefit & Fashion Show

May 15: LAEDC International Trade Outlook/ Renaissance Long Beach Hotel



Vincent Iacopella
Managing Director

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Vincent Iacopella, Managing Director of **The Janel Group** of Los Angeles and Executive Vice President of Janel World Trade, Ltd., has been appointed a member of the 13th Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection, better known as COAC, by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner.

This 20-member council advises the secretaries of the Department of the Treasury and the Department of Homeland Security on the commercial operations of CBP and related DHS and Treasury functions.

During the 13th term, the COAC may consider issues, such as: global supply chain security and facilitation, CBP modernization and automation, air cargo security, customs broker regulations, trade enforcement, one U.S. Government approach to trade and safety of imports, agriculture inspection, and protection of intellectual property rights.

Janel World Trade provides integrated logistics services worldwide, including domestic and international freight forwarding via multimodal carriers. Mr. Iacopella is a licensed Customs Broker and currently serves as President of the Los Angeles Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association and Vice President of the Pacific Coast Council of Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders.

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Simparel, Inc. released a report that tracks six significant trends of a changing fashion ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) software landscape.

The report drills into six areas that Simparel identifies as game-changing for fashion-related businesses, beginning with the unified ERP technology model as the main catalyst for the industry shift.

According to Simparel, responsiveness is a critical competitive advantage in an industry that changes rapidly based on consumer demands and market conditions. The key to that responsiveness is technology. "But rarely does an 'off the rack' technology solution fit all industries," the company observes. The unified technology approach of a dedicated ERP system "enables unprecedented flexibility, scalability, and innovation for fashion-related businesses," according to the report.

Perhaps one of the most important conclusions companies can draw from Simparel's insights is that the fashion ERP software landscape finally is catching up to the fast-changing business environment that it supports. As a result, fashion-related businesses now have choices and opportunities - without the unacceptable tradeoffs of functionality, flexibility, and cost.

[Click here](#) to download your copy of **The Fashion ERP Software Landscape - Future Trends of the Apparel Industry Whitepaper**

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June 10-13: LA Fashion Market, Gift & Home Market, Select Contemporary, Transit LA Shoe, LA Kids Market/ CMC

June 20-21: Retail Executives Summit, Del Mar California

June 9-10: Kingpins Denim Show, Los Angeles

June 10-12: Designers & Agents Show / New Mart

August 5-8: LA Fashion Market Week

August 18-21: MAGIC

September 30- Oct 2: LA International Textile Show/ CMC

October 7-9: Los Angeles 'Majors' Market

October 5: Fashion Industries Guild of Cedars Sinai Medical Center. Honoring Vera Campbell and Steven Schoenholz

October 14-16: LA Market Week

For more event information, please call the CFA office.

SAVE THE DATE



AN EVENING HONORING

Vera Campbell and *Steven Schoenholz*

KWDZ Manufacturing, LLC

Tempted Apparel

Saturday, October 5th, 2013

Beverly Wilshire Hotel

6:30pm - Cocktail Reception

8:00pm - Dinner, Dancing, Entertainment

Individual Tickets: \$500

Table of 10: \$5000

*If you are not reserving your own table, do join us at the CFA table
To reserve your space at the CFA table please call: (213) 688-6288*

Checks made payable to:

Fashion Industries Guild, P.O. Box 570187, Tarzana, CA 91357

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