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## For Immediate Release

Dr. Courtney A. Hammonds Partners with Neiman Marcus to Observe Black Designers

Neiman Marcus provided a platform to respect history, promote black voices in fashion, and give back to the communities where we live and work in observance of Black History Month. This is a summary of three remarkable events that occurred this month in various NM stores:

Dr. Harry Robinson Jr., President and CEO of the Dallas African American Museum, offered a historical history of the creation of Black History Month and concrete ways we may recognize and celebrate in the community. The event was hosted by <u>Keith R. Harley, Jr.</u> of NM NorthPark.

NM Atlanta hosted The Designer Collective for Black History Month Panel Discussion, moderated by <u>Dr. Courtney A. Hammonds</u>, The Dean of Fashion, and featured special guests like <u>LT Dickens</u> and <u>Casey J Benard</u>. NM Lenox Square also displayed art curated by <u>Dr. Dionne L. Boyd</u> and provided a platform to encourage open discussions regarding the impact of Black History on fashion.

"The Designer Collective for Black History Month platform at NM Atlanta was monumental. The event provided a unique opportunity for up-and-coming and seasoned designers to accelerate their growth at Neiman Marcus Atlanta and across the fashion industry. Looking forward to seeing how NM and other luxury brands continue to amplify black creatives one garment at a time!, stated Dr. Courtney A. Hammonds.

The NMG Black Associate Community Network (ACN) collaborated with BGCA Dallas and NRF Collegiate Steps Students as volunteers to provide guidance on selecting the best courses of study.

Photos from event.

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