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BELGIAN INSPIRATION IS IMPORTED TO SAN FRANCISCO BY **URBAN CHATEAU**

Urban Chateau, the Sacramento Street antique gallery known for hand selecting and importing fine period antiques from Europe, recently introduced Belgian designer Pieter Porters to the Bay Area. Pieter Porters decorated the Urban Chateau gallery for a luxurious party in his honor, sponsored by California Homes. Drawing inspiration from the color, form and texture of the antiques, Porters integrated organic elements of fruit, flowers, shells and feathers into exquisite antique containers, including an unexpected arrangement of jasmine and berries built into a large-scale antique Italian iron chandelier. The guests were welcomed by musicians bedecked in period costumes and playing a rare Louis XV style piano by the famous Parisian maker Erard, (circa 1890) provided by the Music Szalon.

The party celebrated "A day with Pieter Porters" sponsored by Urban Chateau during the 20th annual Bouquets to Art at the California Palace of the Legion of Honor.

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Terry S. Gross, Pieter Porters, and Thierry Chantrel (Bellecour Antiques)



Paul Pierre, Pieter Porters and Caroline Comyn



Heidi Gerpheide (California Homes), Diane Dorrans Saeks and Terry S. Gross (Urban Chateau)



Anne Lawrence (freelance columnist for the Examiner) and Pieter Porters





Daniel Krueger and Lisa G. Erickson (Urban Chateau)



Cedric Lebert (Lebert Antic Corporation) & Carlotta Torchia



Hal and Marian Ellis



Sally Swing (Catherine Macfee Home), Ed Hardy and Pieter Porters