

**SOPHIE CANO**  
PARIS

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« CULTIVATE STRANGENESS AND BEAUTY  
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## THE SOPHIE CANO PARIS COLLECTION

Sophie Cano Paris is a collection of leather goods and fashion accessories as precious as it is joyful, explosive and inventive. It is also a story of passion, encounters and commitment, of exceptional recycled materials and craft excellence.

Stylized jungles, nocturnal electric pulses, aurora borealis shades and metallic rustles collide for a glamorous and regressive 90s revival.

Each piece is unique, an accessory that goes with everything and everyone, ultra easy to wear, that twists a classic outfit and enhances a mix and match. Elegant, irreverent and ethical.





## A REASONED AND ETHICAL PRODUCTION

Each piece is made in an excellent workshop in Tunis that manufactures for the biggest brands: Jacquemus, Isabel Marant, Jérôme Dreyfus, APC, Sonia Rykiel, and is made with the scraps of skins used for these brands combined with surplus stock from Chanel or from the big Italian fashion houses that I source in Paris.

The workshop I work with is run by a former craftsman who has invested in the revitalisation of an entire village by cleaning up the roads, creating a school and buying up houses to set up human-sized workshops.

The embroidered pieces are handmade in Delhi by a quartet of workers I have known for years. They are the only ones who are able to ensure the level of excellence required for the demanding designs.

Their employer is one of the last manufacturers to refuse to relocate to the suburbs of Delhi. The working conditions they offer their employees are well above the industry average, with a salary twice as high and workshops set up in small houses to maintain acceptable thermal comfort throughout the year.

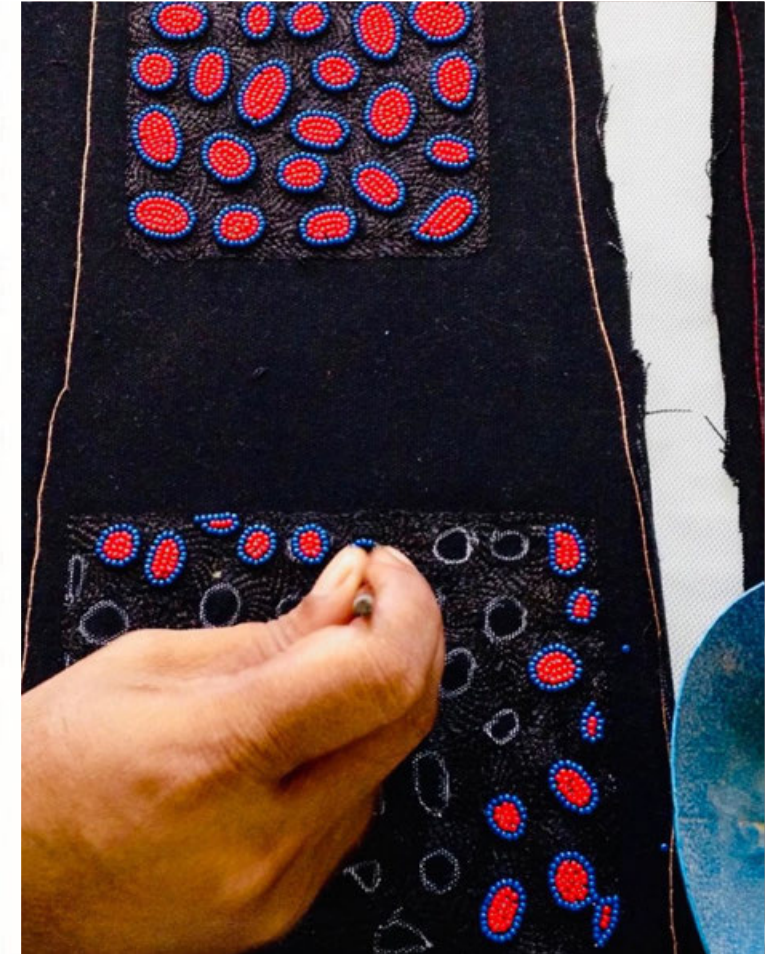
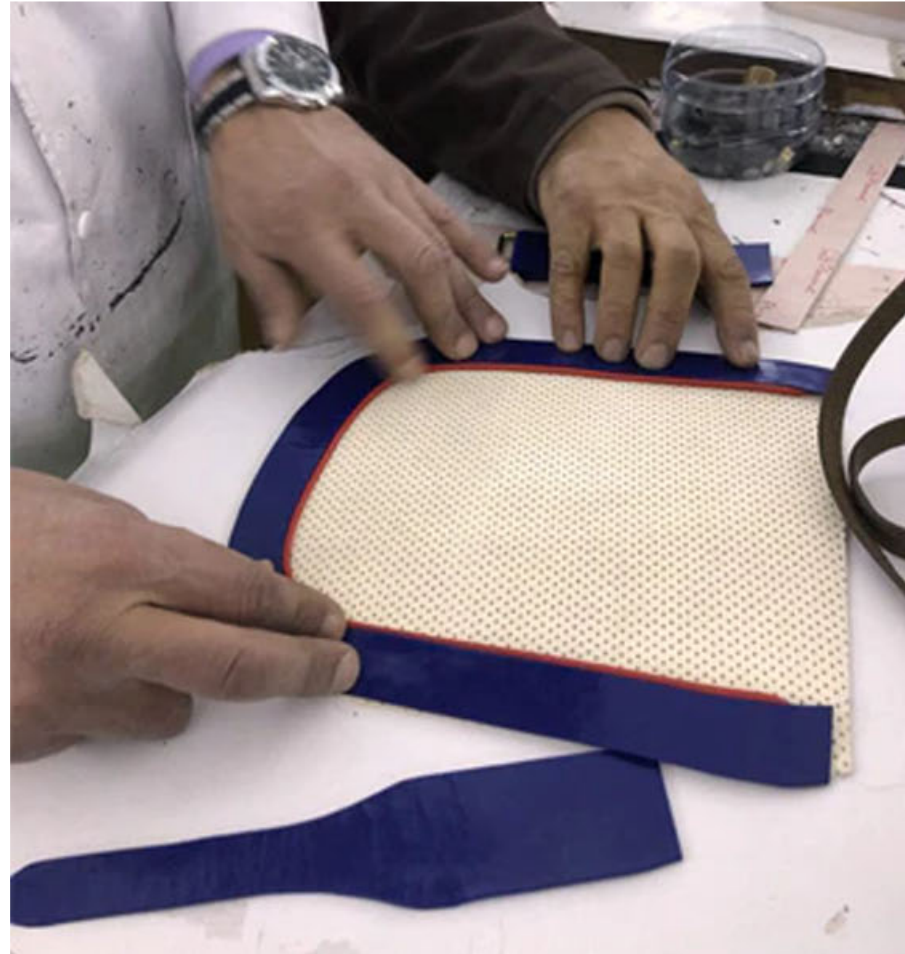




## A UNIQUE CREATIVE PROCESS

Through my collections, I want to defend the craftsmanship and cultural traditions that are the source of my inspiration.

This is why I regularly visit the workshops where the products are made. A large part of my creative process takes place in contact with the craftsmen, imagining and testing new combinations of techniques and materials with them.







## SOPHIE CANO BY SOPHIE CANO

I live and work in Paris. I've had a very couture career working with Alexander McQueen, Stella McCartney, a certain Karl L and more recently with the Lanvin team.

For the past 30 years, I've been exploring Asia, from Japan to Nepal, from front-row seats at Tokyo fashion shows to trekking in Mongolia.

I've learned to draw Tibetan clouds in traditional thanka classes in Nepal, I've been nourished by spirituality and ancestral crafts, I've met countless artisans, some of whom have become partners...

And after developing the leather goods lines for Printemps, I launched my first collection of mini beaded bags in 2018, produced in a workshop of shaper-grinders in Dehli.

My desire: to combine whimsy and depth in everything I do, in the service of a warm, urban and vibrant atmosphere.





SOPHIE CANO, A LEATHER GOODS...

# ... COOL

Hyper-couture mini-bags that go with absolutely everything.

That's what cool is all about... A jewelry box size and supple, original leathers make these mini-bags practical, luxurious accessories without being stuffy.

Yet their small size means you can fit... your life inside. You'll be able to slip in a gigantic smartphone, a bunch of keys, a must-have glasses case, not forgetting your Sophie Cano mini wallet!



**Bag Babymix Royal paille**  
Mix leather & paille - 17x14,5 x 5 cm  
€325,00



SOPHIE CANO, A LEATHER GOODS...

# ... PRECIOUS

Each piece is elegant and always enriched by the graphic accents (contrasting red stains and edges) that are one of the brand's signatures.

I use only luxury leathers; the jewelry comes from Italy, with a high-quality light gold finish that is neither passe-partout nor show-off.

I take great care to control the embroidery, which tolerates no deviation in quality - only the craftsman's touch!

The bag is entirely handmade, a piece of art and craftsmanship!



**Bag Baby Gaucho Black**

Mix leather - paille - 17x14,5 x 5 cm  
€350,00



SOPHIE CANO, A LEATHER GOODS...



**Bag Toxic jungle**  
Japanese beads and thread embroidery -  
Leather handle  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm  
€315,00

## ... EXOTIC

Sophie Cano bags are all about Asia and travel.

Each bag has an inspiration linked to elsewhere. Each bag tells a little of my journey and my travels. From my fascination with the Buddhist temples of Japan, Mongolia and Tibet to the remote gompas of the Himalayas and even the plains of Afghanistan, where I've spent some time.

Asian iconography is omnipresent in my work. Those who know me well know that my interior resembles the Silk Road!

I've been studying Tibetan painting for over 18 years now.



SOPHIE CANO, A LEATHER GOODS...

# ... TIMELESS

The collections are off the beaten track, they talk to each other, and coordinate perfectly while renewing themselves within a typical DNA.

Mix'n match is a major component of my creations, and it's this puzzle game that amuses me the most. The pieces I imagine don't respond to any particular trend, even though I'm naturally curious about the evolution of fashion... You can't be a designer for 25 years without leaving traces!



**Banane Superball Black**  
mix leather - 25x18x10cm  
€315,00





SOPHIE CANO, A LEATHER GOODS...

# ... ENGAGED

It took me a long time to find the 2 workshops capable of producing my collections, and God knows I've come across some throughout my career!

An amusing anecdote about my iconic pearl creations: cool karma! The first prototypes arrived badly made, the clouds were shapeless. My shaper didn't understand the degree of precision I demanded/ I told him the clouds looked like potatoes! He laughed a lot, and it's remained a quality marker: "Does that look like potatoes this time?"

He sends me whats app throughout the embroidery process, even for the simplest wallets!

As for my leather creations, Ali once said to me "you drive us crazy with your creations, we have to change threads, leathers and slice dyes every two minutes, it's not a production, it's haute couture! We keep you because it's beautiful, we like you and the workers are proud to make your bags" ...True story!







# Leather baby bags, a timeless mix'n'match style



**Bag Babymix Blue**  
Mix leather - 16 x 6 x 13 cm  
€295,00



**Bag Baby New Sauvage**  
Mix leather – 17 x 14,5 x 6 cm  
€350,00



**Bag Baby Superball blue**  
Mix leather – 17 x 14,5 x 6 cm  
€325,00



**Bag Baby Gaucho Black**  
Mix leather – 17 x 14,5 x 6 cm  
€350,00



**Bag Babymix Royal paille**  
Mix leather & paille – 17 x 14,5 x 6 cm  
€325,00



**Bag Punchy Mix**  
Mix leather - 16 x 6 x 13 cm  
€325,00



**Bag Baby Disco Mobil**  
Mix leather - 16 x 6 x 13 cm  
€325,00



**Bag Baby Royal khaki**  
Mix leather – 17 x 14,5 x 6 cm  
€325,00

## Beaded baby bags, chic and precious all year round



**Sac Cool Karma Blue**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm  
€315,00



**Sac Wild Dots**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm  
€315,00



**Sac Sheerazade**  
Japanese beads,  
silk&cotton thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm  
€315,00



**Sac Alchimie**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm  
€350,00



**Sac Cool Karma Green**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm,  
€315,00



**Sac Queen of the Jungle**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm,  
€315,00



**Sac Toxic jungle**  
Japanese beads,  
silk&cotton thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm,  
€315,00



**Sac Cool Karma Bride**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
17 x 14,5 x 6cm,  
€315,00



## The banana, urban cool and practical



**Banana Superball Black**  
Mix leather - 25x18x10 cm  
€ 315,00



**Banana Sauvage**  
Mix leather - 25x18x10cm  
€ 315,00



**Banana Superball Blue**  
Mix leather - 25x18x10 cm  
€ 315,00



**Banana Paille Royale**  
Mix leather & paille straw  
25x18x10 cm  
€ 315,00



**Banana Sauvage**  
Mix leather - 25x18x10cm  
€ 315,00



**Banana Disco Mobil**  
Mix leather -25x18x10cm  
€ 315,00



**Banana Punchy Mix**  
Mix leather - 25x18x10cm  
€ 315,00





## Mini wallet, the art of detail



**Mini wallet Blue Mix**  
Mix leather - 13x10cm  
€ 135



**Mini wallet Black mix**  
Mix leather - 13x10cm  
€ 135



**Mini wallet Chocolat mix**  
Mix leather - 13x10cm  
€ 135



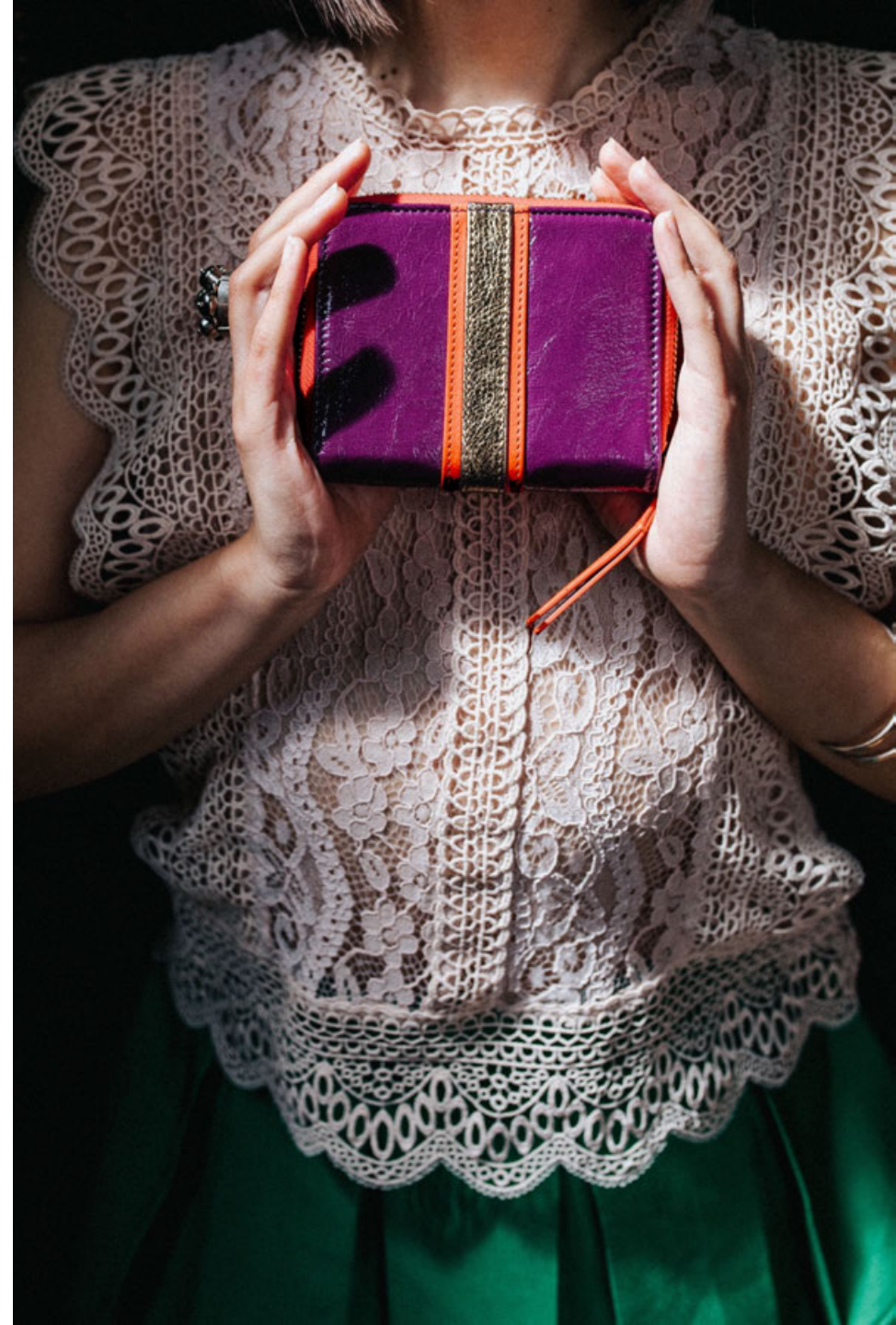
**Mini wallet Studio 54**  
Mix leather - 13x10cm  
€ 135



**Mini wallet Punchy Mix**  
Mix leather - 13x10cm  
€ 135



**Mini wallet Royal Kaki**  
Mix leather - 13x10cm  
€ 135





## The purse, a zip on our treasures



**Purse Cool Karma Blue**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Wild Dots**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Lhasa**  
Japanese beads,  
silk & cotton thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Boukhara**  
Japanese beads,  
silk & cotton thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Cool Karma Bride**  
Japanese beads on burlap  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Cool Karma Green**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Queen of the Jungle**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse Sheerazade**  
Japanese beads,  
silk & cotton thread embroidery  
12 x 10 cm  
€58,00



**Purse The Pass**  
Japanese beads on burlap  
12 x 10 cm  
€52,00



## FROM DELHI TO PARIS, SOPHIE CANO COLLABORATIONS AND THE MUSEUMS

My background as a Parisian fashion stylist and stylist-consultant predisposed me to this type of collaboration, which I'm delighted with.

In fact, I spent a long time designing Japanese license collections for major fashion houses, as well as several seasons of Stade Français rugby team jerseys for Adidas, along with their derivative products.

Crossing my brand's DNA with the cultural universe of museums or prestigious institutions, by creating hybrid collections specifically for them, is almost an obvious choice at a time when museum concept stores are exploring new territories and offering an increasingly creative and refined range to their public.



Collaborations

# NOTRE-DAME DE PARIS

It all began with an unlikely meeting at a trade show with the team from Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.

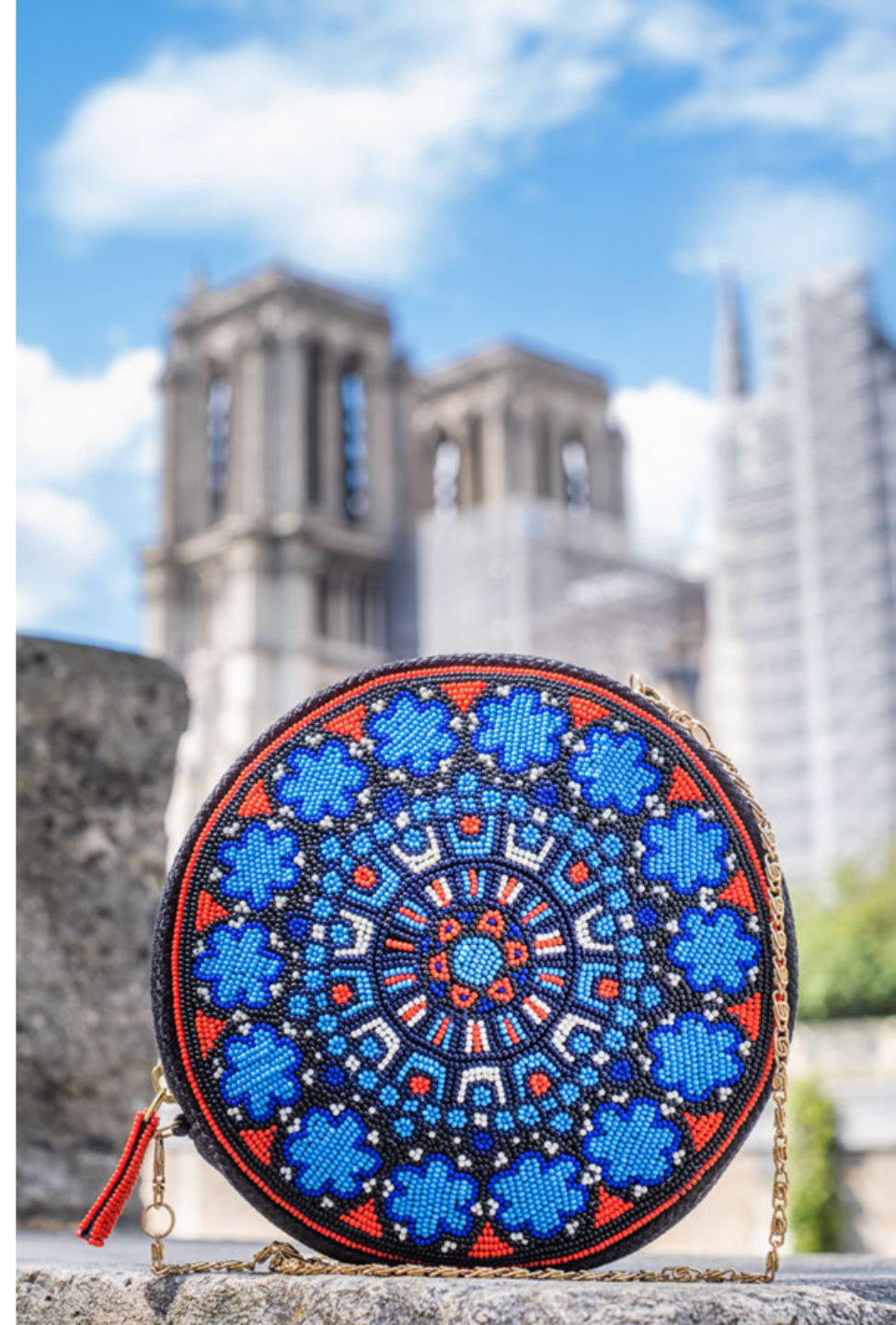
What if we were to work together on an iconography adapted to this medieval heritage site?

Moved by the challenge and moved by the trust placed in me, I immediately set to work. What better gamble could I have dreamed of than to put my passion at the service of this emblem of Paris at such an upheaval moment in its history?

Over the course of style meetings at Le Prieuré, the collection took shape, before coming to life in the expert hands of the Indian artisans who have been my partners since the brand's inception.

It is with great pride that I present this collection Notre Dame x Sophie Cano Paris. Iconic mini bags, beaded clutches and jewel purses.

The collection is being re-launched to coincide with the Notre Dame de Paris exhibition at the Louvre this winter 2023.



Collaborations

# NOTRE-DAME DE PARIS



**Purse ROSACE**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
75 €



**Broche ALPHONSE**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
75 €



**Pouch LOGO**  
Japanese beads, on  
jute base  
160 €



**Broche**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
75 €



**Broche LEON**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
75 €



**Sac Baby LOGO**  
Japanese beads,  
on jute base  
325 €





Collaborations

# MOULIN ROUGE

From stained glass to feathers... A few hours after meeting the ambassadors of Notre-Dame de Paris, I was introduced to another renowned Parisian team attracted by beaded creations. The Moulin Rouge!

Together, we quickly visualized the possibilities of a partnership, and the discussions began with shared enthusiasm. I have to admit, I was quite taken with the idea of exploring two cultural universes as different as those of a medieval cathedral and a temple to the "French art de vivre".

After a long postponement due to Covid, the collaboration is back on track, and today I'm proud to present the Moulin Rouge by Sophie Cano Paris collection. Iconic mini-bags, beaded clutches and jewel purses, made in the Indian workshop with which I've collaborated since the early days of Sophie Cano Paris.



## Collaborations

# MOULIN ROUGE



**Pouch LOGO**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
Wholesale price: €70  
€175



**Purse LOGO**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
Wholesale price: €30  
€75



**Purse ALCHIMIE**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
Wholesale price: €30  
€75



**Pouch ALCHIMIE**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
Wholesale price: €70  
€175



**Baby bag ALCHIMIE**  
Japanese beads,  
Metal thread embroidery  
Wholesale price: €140  
€350





## Collaborations

# QUAI BRANLY

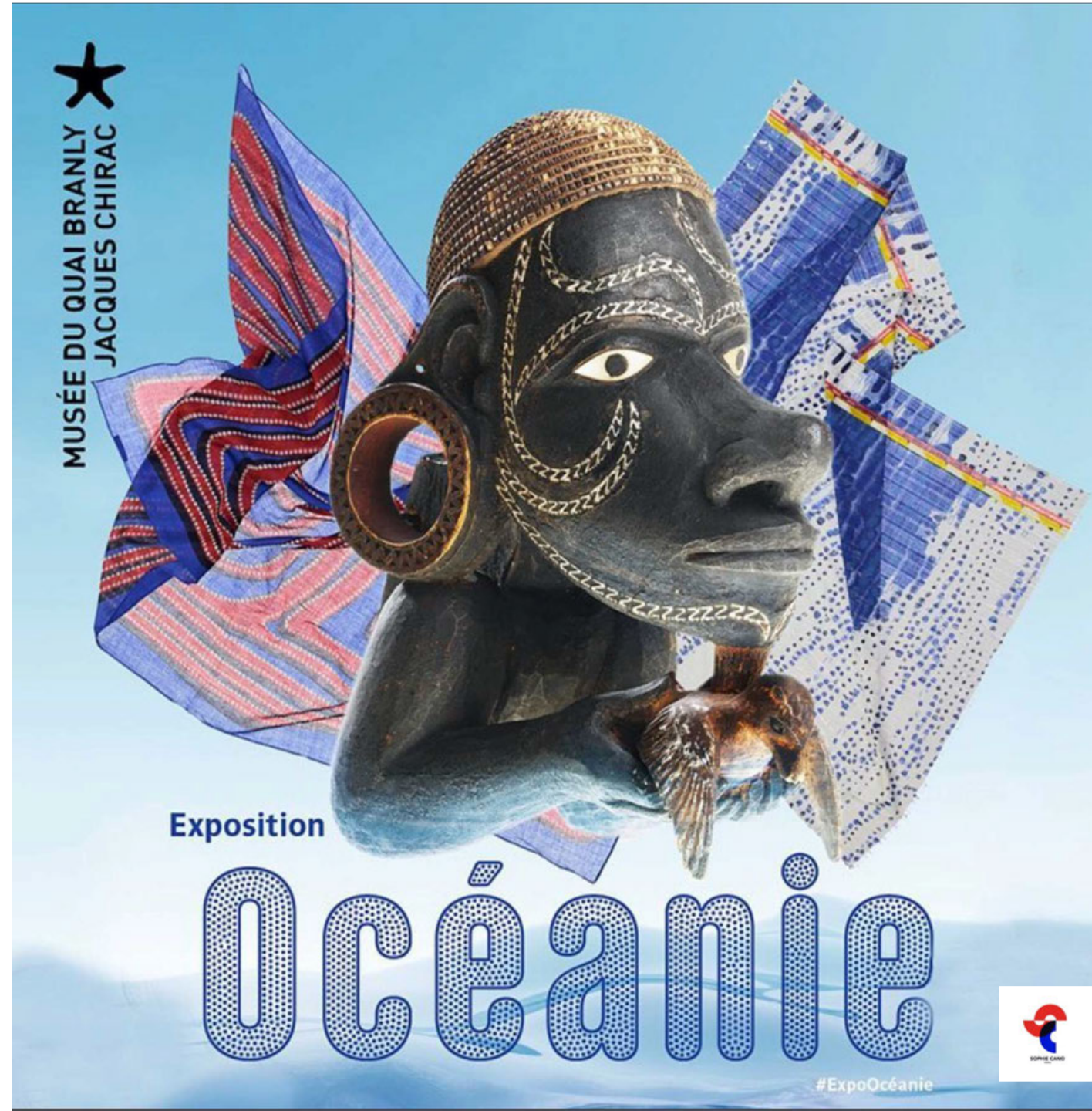
My first encounter with museums! In my career, I originally dreamed of being a costume anthropologist... I became a stylist.

I spend my life at the Musée du Quai Branly, and I used to spend hours at the Musée de l'Homme. At the Musée de l'Homme, where I even organized an exhibition on Mongolia in 2003.

At a trade show, a buyer asked me very specific questions about my inspirations for the collection. For the one presented, I developed a graphic vocabulary close to that of the aborigines and dedicated the collection to Bruce Chatwin, travel writer and author of "Song of the Tracks" about the Australian of Australia.

A few months later, the Musée du Quai Branly organized a major a major exhibition on Oceania. The collection was purchased as is for the museum and arrived just in time for the inauguration.

Foutas and scarves, clutches and bags are all part of the collection!





Collaborations

# VAN GOGH MUSEUM

With the success of its various capsules and collaborations, Sophie Cano Paris has established itself as a strong reference in collaborations with institutions.

More than ever, each chapter of the brand finds its essence in unexpected encounters. A new surprise emerged from a meeting with the enlightened team at the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam, and an enchanting new partnership began.

After a few effective exchanges, the collection quickly took shape. It is currently being fine-tuned by the skilled fingers of the artisans who have been collaborating with me since the early days of this artistic adventure.

Exploring the emotion captured by the painting "Les Amandiers en fleurs", evoking timeless elegance with its own stylistic vocabulary, is yet another challenge.

So it's with renewed joy that I announce today the "Blossom Harmony by Sophie Cano Paris" collection. A range of jewelry accessories that sparkle like the stars in the master Van Gogh's canvas.





Collaborations

# VAN GOGH MUSEUM



Baby Bag



Pouch / Pochette



Purse



Broche



Collaborations

# VAN GOGH MUSEUM

1st color and technical prototype  
The other pieces are in development  
but will be ready for selection.





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