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CEO LETTER

Spring Flings

WHAT AN EXHILARATING FEW WEEKS IT has been since our springtime launch of *York Cottages & Gardens*! Mitchell Gold,

Bob Williams of the eponymous furniture company hosted us at their stunning apartment 58 stories above Manhattan to toast Editor in Chief Kendall Cronstrom and the debut issue. The design-industry website *Editor at Large* was there, the lovely Sophie Donelson (a Cottages & Gardens alum) interviewing everyone about the magazine. Bunny Williams, John Rosselli, Libby Langdon, Sherrill Canet, Eddie Ross, Stephanie Odegard, and more all had great things to say. Check it out on cottagesgardens.com.

We also revealed the top-secret identity of our first "Rising Star" design: Curious Yellow, and celebrated the occasion with a cocktail party, blogfest, and special designer windows at the Lillian August store downtown. In Scarsdale we were feted at Klaff's, where guests sipped Nicolas Feuillatte champagne and prowled around shimmering kitchen and bath displays.

NYC&G was the media sponsor of the Lenox Hill Neighborhood House at Cipriani 42nd Street, where the entire dining room was studded with fabulous designer tables. I came upon William Li of Ralph Lauren Home fluffing the feathers of designer Ally Coulter's wrap, which she wore over a pale satin flapper dress. Ally designed the glam tablescape for Ralph Lauren with glittering dishes surrounding a confectionary centerpiece made to look like my favorite New York cottage, Rosecliff, which was modeled after the Grand Trianon. One wag quipped that it gave new meaning to the expression "Let them eat cake!" As usual, and important, lots of money was raised for a great cause.

We are all off to the Hamptons for the season, so look for *HC&G* all summer long and, before you know it, the next issue of *NYC&G*, out in September.

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Me and Editor in Chief Kendall Cronstrom flanked by Bob Williams and Mitchell Gold at the launch party for *NYC&G*.