# LASVIT

## STARFISHES SHINE ON MIAMI SHORES IN THE NEWLY OPENED SLS LUX BRICKELL HOTEL

The Brickell district is always pulsing with life. The extravagant lifestyle destination on the shores of Miami South Chanel has become one of the largest financial districts in the United States, and everyone knows that money never sleeps. Although Miami is definitely sun-drenched, it would be swamped in darkness if it weren't for the lights



designed by the renowned duo of Yabu Pushelberg. In the brand new luxury hotel SLS LUX Brickell, the Czech glassmaking and design company illuminates the spaces and brings light into its sophisticated interiors.

Yabu Pushelberg's creative approach has always been driven by the belief that anything is possible, corresponding with LASVIT's philosophy of combining traditional glassmaking techniques with cutting-edge ideas and inspiration. Right over the reception by the main entrance shines the customized installation of one of LASVIT's most beloved lighting collections — *Cipher*, also designed by Yabu Pushelberg.

The piece is a celebration of quality craftsmanship and exceptional design. The components are assembled together in a cluster almost five meters in height, with each star spanning 1.5 meters. At first sight, it looks as if the forked and chaotic stars were slipped onto a thread,

but upon closer inspection, one sees the perfection which resonates in each detail of this unique piece.

Its delicate hand-blown crystal cylindrical pieces are cut with crisp, clean lines. "The surface decoration was influenced by our fascination and exploration of the way in which etched patterning catches light. For this project, the versatile nature of these

components succeeded in creating a custom 15.5-foot starburst chandelier to make a bold statement in the lobby area" the designers explained.

Light is emitted only from the connection points and the sources are ingeniously hidden to soften the overall effect. With components arranged in a series and joined by polished champagne-gold finished connections, *Cipher's* overall linear form creates a poetic visual rhythm. As a system, the *Cipher* collection is extremely flexible and customizable, with limitless possible configurations, as the installation at SLS LUX Brickell clearly shows.



LASVIT and Yabu Pushelberg first joined forces on a project for the Four Seasons Kuwait, which lead both companies in a new and shared direction.

## **About Yabu Pushelberg**



With offices in Toronto and New York, Yabu Pushelberg was established in 1980 by George Yabu and Glenn Pushelberg. The principals' relentless curiosity has propelled the innovative and multidisciplinary design firm to the forefront of its industry, working across interiors (hospitality, residential and retail), landscape, building, furniture, textiles, lighting, and tableware design. Partners range from giants in hospitality and retail - including Park Hyatt, Four Seasons, and Barneys New York - to cutting-edge manufacturers like

Stellar Works and Glas Italia. 2018 promises to be an exciting year as the firm completes the inaugural SLS LUX\* in Miami's burgeoning Brickell neighborhood, Arbor Restaurant in Hong Kong and New York's newest EDITION Hotel in Times Square, among others.

\*Interior Design by Yabu Pushelberg Design, LLC /Yabu Pushelberg, Inc., Design Consultant to Yabu Pushelberg Design, LLC

### **NOTES TO EDITORS**

### **ABOUT LASVIT**

LASVIT is a creative hub of glassmaking talents, fresh ideas, and daring designs. This young, progressive Czech glassmaking and design company inspires the world with its breathtaking custom-made installations exhibited all over the world, as well as with their unique lighting and glassware collections made from hand-blown glass. The founder of Lasvit, Leon Jakimič, steers the company with the utmost respect for the Czech glassmaking tradition, but also with a boundless optimism for modern technologies and cutting-edge design.

In past years, Lasvit has attracted many renowned designers and artists who wanted to collaborate with an unconventional Czech company. In cooperation with Lasvit, many stars such as the Campana Brothers, Kengo Kuma, Yabu Pushelberg, Nendo or Ross Lovegrove, have created some of their most unforgettable glass collections. Ever since 2007, Lasvit has been on a mission: to bring beauty, happiness, and a piece of the Bohemian soul to clients worldwide, and thus change the world for the better. Let Lasvit in, let the changes begin.

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