

NORDSTROM

Music and Fashion Come Together - Nordstrom to Sell CDs in Stores and Online

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Music Selection Includes Exclusive Compilations as Well as Current and Iconic Releases

SEATTLE, Nov. 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Nordstrom, Inc., announced plans to expand its merchandise offering to include music. In select Northwest and Southern California stores and online, Nordstrom will be the exclusive seller of the previously out-of-print and highly acclaimed Marvin Gaye "Anthology" compilation (1995 version). "Anthology" will feature repackaged artwork and 47 tracks spanning the career of this gifted and visionary artist, including the hits "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," "Ain't Nothing Like The Real Thing," "What's Going On" and "Mercy Mercy Me." The select stores and Nordstrom.com will also offer "An Introduction to Jamie Cullum," a Nordstrom-exclusive compilation of 10 songs from this much-heralded singer/songwriter/pianist who continues to redefine the parameters of jazz.

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In addition, Nordstrom will introduce its music program by offering current releases from some of today's high profile music artists including The Killers, John Mayer, Vanessa Hudgens, Justin Timberlake and Beck, as well as titles from newer artists such as Wolfmother, Plain White T's and Indi rock/pop artist Feist. The company will also feature groundbreaking and influential albums from the past, such as Beastie Boys' "Paul's Boutique." Additionally, Nordstrom will offer kids' titles including "Baby Einstein Playdate Fun," "High School Musical" soundtrack/DVD and the "Hannah Montana" soundtrack. Nordstrom has plans to roll out its music program to all stores across the country in 2007.

"We want to sell products our customers are interested in," said Pete Nordstrom, president of merchandising. "Music and fashion are similarly aligned -- we're encouraged by the response we've received from the music industry to collaborate on some compelling music. This is a new category for us and we're excited to give it a try."

Nordstrom has an innovative partnership with seasoned industry executive and music attorney Michael E. Barber, who works with labels to produce, market and distribute both exclusive and non-exclusive music. This new Nordstrom program will provide customers an additional place to discover and purchase various genres of music.

"The music landscape is quickly changing as people are buying their music in many different places," said Michael E. Barber, founder and president of Barber Entertainment Corp. "The overwhelming majority of music is still purchased from retail stores, and Nordstrom has an incredible opportunity to make great music available in one of everyone's favorite places to shop."

Starting in November, Nordstrom will also offer two exclusive holiday compilations in all stores and online. "A Nordstrom Classic Holiday" is a compilation of 13 familiar holiday songs by renowned artists past and present. Favorites include "Winter Wonderland" by Bing Crosby and "Christmas Song" by Nat King Cole. "A Nordstrom Modern Holiday" is a compilation of 14 contemporary tunes for the season from John Lennon, The Beach Boys and Liz Phair.

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation's leading fashion specialty retailers, with 156 US stores located in 27 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 99 Full-Line Stores, 49 Nordstrom Racks, five Faconnable boutiques, one freestanding shoe store and two clearance stores. Nordstrom also operates 35 Faconnable boutiques in Europe. Additionally, Nordstrom serves customers through its online presence at www.nordstrom.com and through its catalogs. Nordstrom, Inc. is publicly traded on the NYSE under the symbol JWN.

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