Yuni Ahn exits Maison Kitsuné

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With a week to go before the start of Paris Fashion Week Men's, it seems like it's one departure after another. Following Yolanda Zobel's exit from Courrèges, now it's Maison Kitsuné's turn to announce the departure of Yuni Ahn. The South Korean designer, who began working with the brand in December 2018, has designed three collections for the label, one of which is still to be released.

The union between Maison Kitsuné and Ahn has ultimately lasted for a relatively short period of time. The designer, who was the first creative director to be named by the Parisian label, is stepping down from her post after a year in charge of the brand's collections. The separation is a mutual agreement.

Ahn cut her teeth in the fashion industry working alongside the likes of Stella McCartney and Phoebe Philo at Celine. Her arrival at Maison Kitsuné allowed the French brand to make its debut on the official calendar of Paris Fashion Week.

"We want to thank Yuni Ahn for the important contribution that she made during her time at Maison Kitsuné," said the brand's founders. "We are very grateful to her for having mapped out the route for our ambitions, a path that we will continue to follow in order to push forward with our development."

Maison Kitsuné has not yet revealed who will succeed Ahn, but the brand, founded by Gildas Loaëc and Masaya Kuroki in 2002, is likely to opt for an internal hire. An announcement to this effect is expected in the near future.

The brand will present its latest collection – Ahn's last – on 16 January, during Paris Fashion Week Men's.