Michael Kors to return to live catwalk with Sept. 10 show in NYC

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Michael Kors has confirmed plans to return his next collection to a live catwalk on September 10, significantly boosting the calendar of New York Fashion Week this autumn.

The event will mark Kors' first appearance on a live runway since February 2020, when the designer presented a collection of uber-comfortable glamour with multiple cashmere capes inside the city's former Stock Exchange.

However, the New York-based fashion house announced Wednesday that the designer will present his Spring/Summer 2022 Michael Kors Collection in the form of a live, in-person runway show on September 10 at 10 a.m. The official New York season is scheduled to run from Sept. 8-12.

Kors' show will also be brought to life virtually via a multi-layered digital experience debuting simultaneously on MichaelKors-Collection.com.
This is an important moment for New York, and we’re proud to support the city and the industry during this season’s New York Fashion Week. I am thrilled about the return of live performance throughout New York this autumn, and I look forward to presenting my collection to a live audience,” stressed Kors, who is celebrating his house’s 40th anniversary this year.

So far, brands such as Tory Burch, Jeremy Scott, Thom Browne, Pyer Moss, Gabriela Hearst, Markarian and Jonathan Simkhai have also confirmed plans to show on the official Council of Fashion Designers of America calendar. Though such a heavy-hitter as Ralph Lauren has still not revealed his plans.

As reported, a group of some dozen designer brands including Telfar, Rodarte, Proenza Schouler, Altuzarra, Brandon Maxwell, Prabal Gurung, Sergio Hudson, Monse, Jason Wu, LaQuan Smith and Markarian have separately teamed up with IMG for the Fashion Alliance, committing them all to show at IMG’s NYFW: The Shows for the next three seasons.

Kors’ most recent collection was a “love letter to Broadway,” presented in a video show format on April 20 from inside the historic Shubert Theatre. with a live performance by Rufus Wainwright: and guest commentaries by the
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One of fashion’s few true designer billionaires, Kors launched his own label back in 1981. Today it is part of the Capri Group, which also controls Versace and Jimmy Choo.