

HOT T IN THE CITY

T-shirt specials for the end of summer

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Face it: It's still a witch's cauldron out there and just because every designer is trotting out wool plaid doesn't mean said witch will pack up the sweltering humidity and bring on fall breezes. To that end, we humbly present the cherished T-shirt and its sibling, the tube top, hot weather must-haves that'll take you well into fall.

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FOR THE SPECIALTY T-AFICIONADO WHO LIKES TO BUST A MOVE

"I like my sh*t to be pretty," says painter Shaun Thurston. And who doesn't? Check out "Hostile Charm," an art show at T-Shirt Construction Co., featuring Thurston's artwork, along with one-of-a-kind T-shirts created by the artist himself.

The show opens on Friday, Aug. 25, 8-11 p.m. The event will also feature music by DJ Kid Yzer (Hip Hop Hell), break dancers and drinks.

You can also customize your own T-shirt by uploading images or picking from hundreds of transfers created by artists. Call us crazy, but you can even learn to screen print and have a "paint your own T-shirt" party.

T-Shirt Construction Co. is located at 674 Highland Ave. and store hours are Tue-Sat, 1-7 p.m. For more information, call 404-377-1310 or visit www.t-shirtconstructionco.com.

HAUTE BARGAIN DAYS

For two days only, Aug. 25-27, noon-5 p.m., hit the Luxe showroom and get your haute on, for less—85 percent less, to be precise. Catherine Malandrino, Diane Von Furstenberg and Dolce & Gabbana are just a few of the designers featured in this summer sale. You'll also find handbags from 4Bags. RSVP to this event at www.luxeatlanta.com and sign up for the Luxe e-mail newsletter to gain access to this wardrobe-building bonanza (because there's no other way to put it). The showroom is located at 455 Glen Iris Drive.

A SAMPLING

For an ongoing sample sale, check out 7 Mississippi. You'll find bargains in the \$10-\$40 range on high-end pieces and designer jeans from names such as Betsey Johnson, Free People and True Religion. 7 Mississippi is located at 702 Cleburne Terrace, next to the Majestic Diner. For more information call 404-892-1111. **SP**



The T-Shirt Construction Company conducts screen printing workshops and allows you to create your own tee or pick from hundreds of transfers created by artists like Shaun Thurston (featured below).

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Artist Joel Marcus created this heel-kicking tee.

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Artist Eric Gillyard creates a transfer that is both a fashion statement and a public service announcement.

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BARGAIN ROUND-UP

We've rounded up four noteworthy tees and tubes at special sale prices—so special, they'll give you the vapors (if you don't already have them). All T-shirts are available at Urban Outfitters or you can just stay in the air conditioning and order online at www.urbanoutfitters.com.

Lux Fruit Print Tube Top—Who can resist a tube top with cherries on it? This cute black, red and white top can be paired with trouser shorts or summer skirts. **Now \$9.99** (Was \$32.00)

Mae West Temptation Tee—With "avoid temptation" lettered over a picture of Mae West, you can invoke the spirit of the great dame yourself. **Now \$19.99** (Was \$28.00)

Sleeveless Mod Photo Print Tunic—The '80s won't seem to die and neither will your style with this lovely black-and-white T-shirt tunic. **Now \$14.99** (Was \$32.00)

Will Flex For Food Tee—For the malnourished male in your life, this tee's will get a laugh and possibly a drumstick. **Now \$14.99** (Was \$24.00)