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Be prepared to throw an elbow or two as the "Bergdorf's of thrift shops" hosts a special fall preview shopping event

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The Society of Memorial Sloan-Kettering's Thrift Shop is not just any second-hand affair: Sometimes referred to as the "Bergdorf's of thrift shops," it's an occasion to unearth surefire high-end, gently-used bargains and do good while you shop (proceeds benefit the Society of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center).

The Fall Opening event runs tomorrow through Saturday; highlights include Hermès scarves (regularly around \$375, but starting at \$185 here), vintage Valentino costume jewelry (\$65-\$150), and recent clothing, footwear and accessories from the likes of Bottega Veneta, Chanel, Louis Vuitton, Ferragamo, and more starting around \$125. This sale isn't for the fainthearted – the fierceness with which certain devotees attack the store's opening events can make the Barneys Warehouse Sale scene seem positively zen. Consider yourselves warned. For a sneak peek at a few gems to beeline for, check out the gallery at the New York Shopping Diary here.

Details

The Society of Memorial Sloan-Kettering's Thrift Shop Fall Opening August 12: 10:00 AM-7:00 PM, August 13, 14: 10:00 AM-5:30 PM, August 15: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

1440 Third Avenue near 81st Street, 212-535-1250 For more information, head to memorialthriftshop.org