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## Vive la vitrine

Just in time for the annual Architectural Digest Home Design Show this spring, the Mahopac-based design team of Thom O'Leary and Frank Spano unveiled its handsome new Tachi vitrine.

In fact, the vitrine arrived from a specialty

workshop in Portugal the day before the show opened and was uncrated on the floor of Pier 94 for a first viewing by O'Leary and Spano. Luckily, all was in order and the piece was well received at the show that's held on the West Side of Manhattan each year.

A vitrine is a glass-paneled cabinet or glass display case for art objects (or tchotchkes). This one, which measures 6 feet tall, 4 feet

wide and 22 inches deep, is made of Macassar ebony, mahogany, antique mirror and satin Inox hardware. It retails for \$7,200, and orders are being taken now for July shipment.

O'Leary and Spano launched ApparenzA Design Studio in 2002 to showcase their high-end, one-of-a-kind furniture and accessories. Three recent issues of Architectural Digest have featured their furniture pieces.

The Tachi vitrine is part of ApparenzA's new limited-edition Couture line of furniture that draws inspiration from a wide range of styles, including art deco, art nouveau and modern. The pieces are limited to editions of three, five or 10 and will be available for sale directly through ApparenzA and a few retailers.

Like many of ApparenzA's creations, the Tachi vitrine is being manufactured by Polidor Designs of Greenwich, Conn.

For more information, visit [www.ApparenzA-Design.com](http://www.ApparenzA-Design.com) or call 914-924-0338. Polidor, the manufacturer, can be reached at 203-531-8697 or [www.PolidorDesign.com](http://www.PolidorDesign.com).

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