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## Met Gala 2022: Behind-the-Scenes with Rickie De Sole

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The first Monday in May is one of the biggest nights in fashion. Our very own SVP of Designer and New Concepts, Sam Lobban, Women's Designer Fashion & Editorial Director Rickie De Sole and Men's Fashion & Editorial Director Jian Deleon attended the annual Met Gala on behalf of Nordstrom. Joined by them were CVFF finalist [LaQuan Smith](#), longtime Nordstrom partner and designer Brandon Maxwell, and founder of the [Fifteen Percent Pledge](#) and [Brother Vellies](#) Aurora James. To kick off the evening, the group gathered at the iconic Plaza Hotel for a champagne toast, light bites and photo opps before heading to the red carpet.



The theme of the gala this year was, "In America: An Anthology of Fashion," which served as an exploration of American fashion as a follow up to the September 2021's theme, "In America: A Lexicon of Fashion." Rickie De Sole worked directly with designer LaQuan Smith to create a custom, red sequined, long sleeve gown for the evening. LaQuan Smith is also designing a shorter version of the dress which will be available for customers shop on Nordstrom.com







Rickie took us behind-the-scenes as she prepared for the big event and revealed her custom LaQuan Smith gown.