



Ubiquitous sightings of straw totes, tunics, and oversized sunglasses must mean that summer is in full swing. Within these pages, we have distilled the essence of summertime in The Hamptons – from places and people to happenings and trends.

Oscar Wilde once said that America is the only country that went from barbarism to decadence without civilization in between. While the world around us may at times feel like a project in mayhem and chaos, there remain bright lights all around us. Naila Chbib's fashion forecast promises to identify all things stylish, whether for day or night. Christopher Kennedy delves into beauty. And if you've been missing out on the summer's best events, our polo coverage will get you up to speed.

As always, we at Social Life aim to entertain and enrich, to paint a picture that is both artistic and authentic.

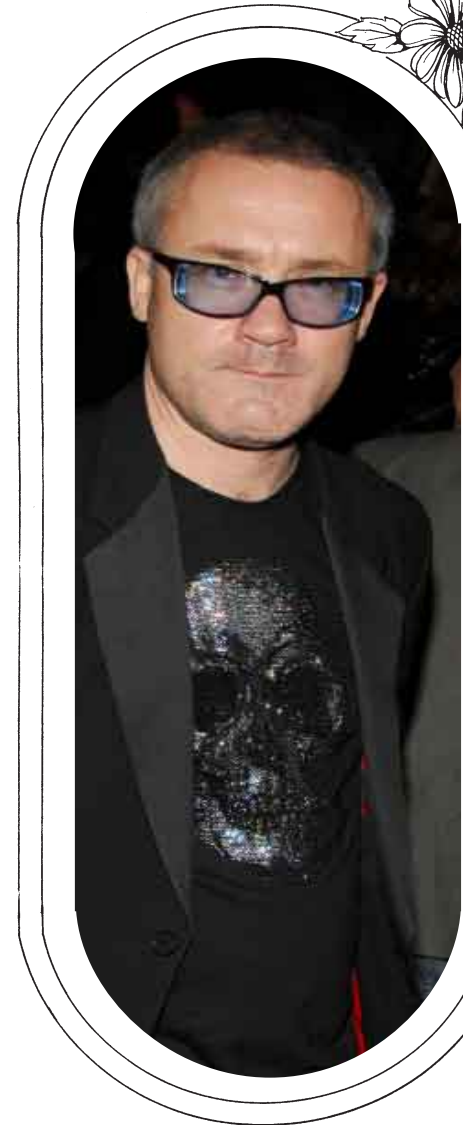
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# ROYAL COURT

The latest edition of our Royal Court highlights those who produce work that not only enhances our lives but mesmerizes with a natural substance and style that no amount of money

can buy. Like Kings and Queens of the past, these artists wield power – and in today's world there is nothing more powerful than inspiration.

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