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The Lady With the Bow

▶ Lady dressing — or rather, accessorizing — is in Hayden Lasher's blood. Her great grand uncle was Henri Bendel, whose nephew, Henri Bendel II, opened Belgian Shoes in 1956. Ms. Lasher, who worked in handbag and shoe design for Marc Jacobs and Oscar de la Renta, often thought about a handbag complement to the elegant bow-embellished Belgian slip-ons. And now she has one, unveiling this top-handle purse, which also comes in ice cream

pastels, all affixed with the signature bow. They're as well-mannered and ageless as the shoes that inspired them. After all, Ms. Lasher recalls her grandmother repeating Mr. Bendel's admonition that when a woman enters a room, no one should say, "Look at her bag." One should hear, "Look at that beautiful woman."

Hayden Lasher Belgian bag in crocodile-embossed leather with patent leather piping, \$1,500 at Belgian Shoes, 110 East 55th Street, and haydenlasher.com.

