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Chef David Chang’s first Los Angeles restaurant is a challenge: Highs (a $90 short rib feast) are high; but the lows (the Korean standard galbi jjim) are low. JONATHAN GOLD
THE EXHIBIT features a Phaum couch by Ronan & Erwan Bouroullec, left, and an L.XV chest by Meissonnier and a Simple Bridge chair by Jean Nouvel for Ligne Roset.

**HAPPENING**

**Style, as only France can do**

*By Lisa Boorne*  
Stop by the A+D Museum in the Arts District, and you may find yourself nestled on a sumptuous sofa by French designers Ronan & Erwan Bouroullec or snuggling in a B&B armoire by fashion designer Jean-Paul Gaultier.

The furnishings are on view as part of the exhibition "No Taste for Bad Taste," a traveling show organized by the Institute Fragonard in collaboration with VIA (a platform dedicated to promoting home and lifestyle design) that showcases 40 designs by some of France's most iconic designers.

In a barter, the pieces have been chosen by an international think tank that includes curators Pascal Antonez of the Museum of Modern Art and Paul Patin of Centre Pompidou as well as chef Guy Savoy and designer Matt Stolar.

The 40 pieces span egg cups to artwork and are arranged by the 18 values of French design (including savoir-faire, sincerity, and balance) integrated throughout the museum.

Featured items include Philippe Starck's solar powered, electric bike for Mustache, chosen by Stolar for its sustainable innovation, La Chance's tree sofa, chosen by designer Rod Duchscher-Lawrence for its panache, and the Andrea indoor air purifier by Mathieu Latour, chosen by Franck Milot, special events director at Maison & Objet, for its creativity.

Even more fun is the fact that the exhibit is interactive. So put your feet up and rest awhile courtesy of Hermès and Jean-Marc Balot.

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**No Taste for Bad Taste**

*Where: 2 to 6 p.m., Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, noon to 7 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays. Through April 29. Where: A+D Museum, 900 E. 4th St., downtown Los Angeles. Cost: Suggested donation, $5 to $7. Info: a+d.org*

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**Ben Hur** (armchair by Jean-Paul Gaultier for Roche Bobois).

**Carre d'Assise** table, below, by Philippe Nogu for Hermès.

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**GOLD PHANTOM** speaker, above, by Emmanuel Naudin for Devialet.