**Bringing more of the starry sky over New York City down to earth: Lasvit and David Rockwell search for universal stories in the *Constellation* lighting collection**

**New York City’s shimmering night sky and the celestial landscape depicted in the iconic ceiling mural at Grand Central Terminal inspired award-winning architect David Rockwell to create a new lighting collection for Lasvit. The *Constellation* series consists of six designs representing *Ursa Minor, Cassiopeia*, *Tri Star*, and *Polaris,* and *Gemini*.**

Each piece of the *Constellation* series is named after a recognizable constellation and incorporates glass-domed light points connected by a metal structure, just like a star chart. The collection’s iconic pieces, ***Cassiopeia*** and ***Ursa Minor* lighting fixtures**, expand horizontally, hugging the ceiling and creating a timeless elegance. *Cassiopeia* features five circular illuminated glass domes that mimic the distinctive “W” formation, while *Ursa Minor* is a ceiling lamp composed of seven illuminated glass domes. The touch-activated ***Polaris* floor lamp** has stature and exudes elegant strength that evokes its namesake, known as the North Star – a guidepost used for navigation. It features a straight, metal post with a singular, two-sided domed light source at the top and a round, black metal base. The floor lamp shines with the same intensity across 360 degrees, giving the impression that the light is levitating in space. Likewise, the touch-activated ***Gemini* table lamp** is a small-scale version of the floor lamp. The name *Gemini* is in reference to the table lamp being a twin to *Polaris*, as if they were born to complement each other in visual unison.

The *Tri Star* and *Cassiopeia* wall-sconces complete the stellar collection. The ***Tri Star* wall-sconce** is reminiscent of Orion’s Belt, featuring three illuminated glass domes of different sizes connected by metalwork. In addition to being interpreted as a ceiling fixture, the **Cassiopeia** constellation is also depicted as a large sculptural **wall-sconce** that creates a dramatic presentation on the wall, much like a statement artwork.

Award-winning architect David Rockwell comments on the collection: “*Having worked with LASVIT across some of our most groundbreaking hospitality projects, we entered into this partnership already well aware of their unmatched technique and attention to detail,*”says David Rockwell, founder and President, Rockwell Group*.* “*But what defined this collaboration for me was the sheer passion their team of experts took in their craft and the joy of creation we shared at each step in the process. I think that enthusiasm is evident in every piece of this collection, which was inspired by one of my favorite New York landmarks: the celestial mural at Grand Central Terminal. Each lighting fixture serves a dual function: to dazzle the eye as a focal point and to unify any setting in which it is placed.*”

Hand-crafted in the workshops of Bohemia, the *Constellation* collection combines traditional craft with contemporary design and top-notch functionality. All six lighting models feature a similar kit of elements, including glass domes and subtle matte metalwork in a choice of either Champagne Gold or Titan Black. The signature glass dome contains a metallic coating that emits depth and vibrancy even when the light is off. Entirely flexible and modular in design, each LED luminaire is additionally lit up or back-lit for enhanced glow and dimensionality to credibly imitate the luminance of starlight. The collection has been developed as a versatile design system and is also available in custom configurations.

**ABOUT LASVIT**

Lasvit is a global pacesetter for creating daring, unique space and light experiences that are designed to elevate the feelings and the aesthetic of all. Founded by Leon Jakimič, Lasvit is both a taste and a thought leader in the design industry, with a boundless optimism and hunger for making art and design through fusing the traditional with the modern.

A modern, progressive spacial concept company schooled in the long traditions of Bohemian glassworks, Lasvit is a hub of uniquely creative art, design and production talent that creates breathtaking bespoke installations exhibited the world over, as well as uniquely stunning glass lighting and glassware collections.

Lasvit’s unformulaic and bold approach has captivated the global design industry, even winning the design “Oscar” award at Salone del Mobile.

Over the years, Lasvit has attracted renowned designers and artists who wish to collaborate with a brave, unconventional Czech company. Together with such influential voices as The Campana Brothers, Kengo Kuma, Yabu Pushelberg, Nendo and Ross Lovegrove, Lasvit has helped their partners realize the most unforgettable glass collections through their uninhibited artistry and unparalleled craft.

Lasvit is dedicated to a singular mission: To “Lift everyone” by creating breathtaking and sublime spacial experiences that touch the soul of all who look upon them.

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