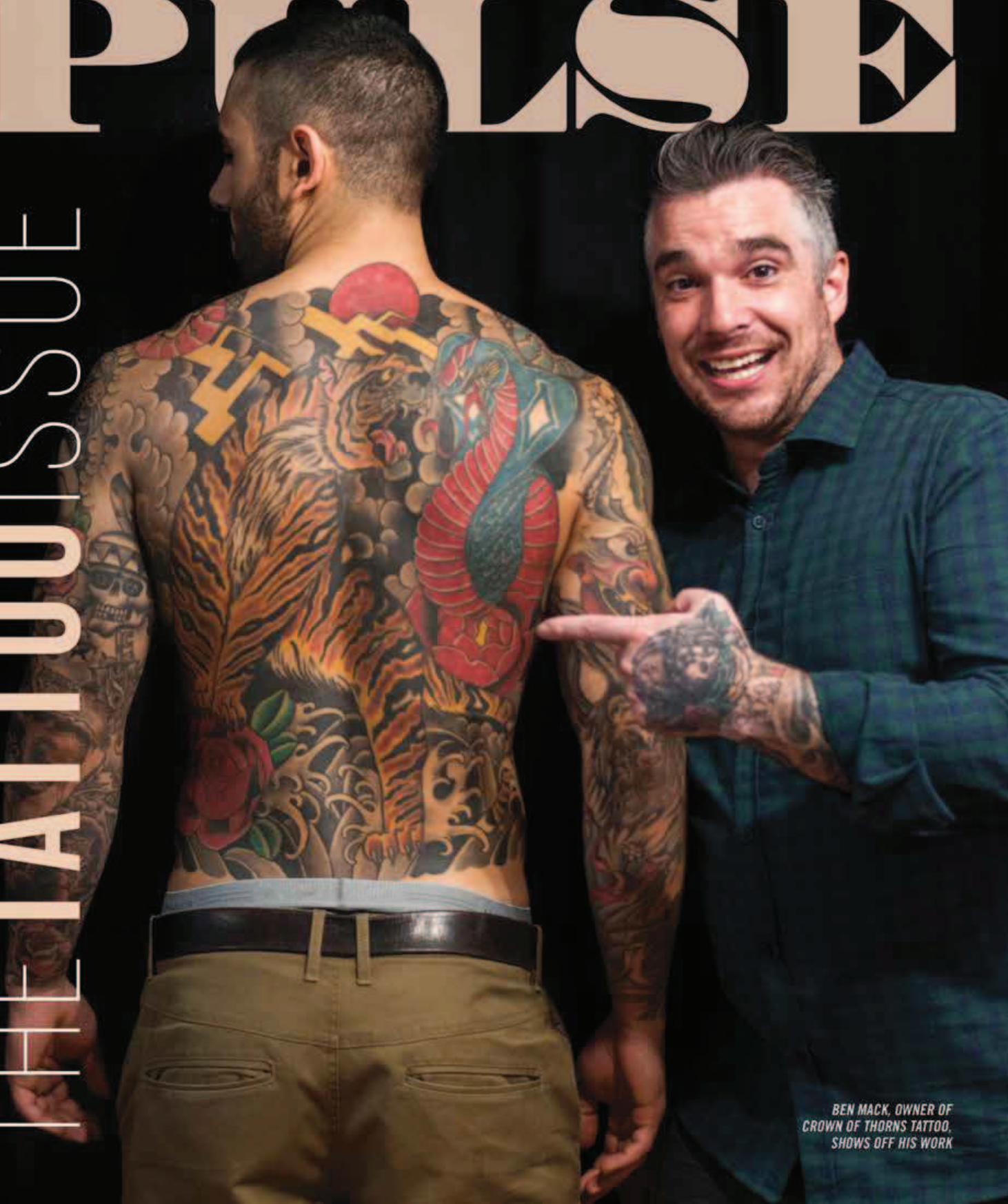


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## THE TATTOO ISSUE



BEN MACK, OWNER OF  
CROWN OF THORNS TATTOO,  
SHOWS OFF HIS WORK

## THE LUXE LIST:



# GIFT-WORTHY FALL FINDS

Merilee KERN

While fall ushers in an array of annual delights, like cooler weather, gorgeous foliage, chunky sweaters and pumpkin spice, it's also an exciting time of year for product purveyors jockeying for some consideration of their own. This seasonal competitiveness among consumer goods is understandable, since many people (like me) have already started holiday shopping in search of worthy gifts and gets. With that in mind, here are items that, while well-suited for gifting, may very well inspire you to acquire for yourself.

## VocoPro Mobile Karaoke PA System with Built-in LED Light Show

For karaoke enthusiasts who love to entertain, audio leader VocoPro has yet another great option. The company recently announced its new LightShow product - a professional 100-watt, battery-powered Karaoke PA system that's also Bluetooth enabled to easily connect with devices. It also has sound-activated LED moonflower lights on top of the unit, adding an exciting visual effect to the karaoke experience. There are also fun echo mic effects, along with on-board digital FM radio and an MP3 player via SD card slot. Plus, a line input accommodates most music sources. For duets, it comes with two wired microphones, and users can access thousands of karaoke songs on YouTube with any smartphone/tablet or sing along with the latest hits on the radio. \$359, [amazon.com](#).

## Caseta Wireless Smart Lighting Kit

Live free and comfortable in the connected home with The Caseta Wireless Smart Lighting Kit by Lutron, inventor of the original light dimmer. This affordable and easy-to-install smart home solution allows you to control lights and shades from anywhere with a smartphone or handy remote. It can be connected to other smart home devices like the Amazon Echo, Sonos speakers or Nest thermostats. Users can also create custom "scenes" on the Lutron app for optimal light, temperature and music levels for everyday occasions like dinnertime, family game night or entertaining friends. Starting at less than \$100, [casetawireless.com](#).

## DEEBOT R95 Smart Vacuum

Here's an item that'll save you time and effort this season and beyond. It's the DEEBOT R95 - a flagship "smart" vacuum from ECOVACS Robotics that boasts integrated Amazon Alexa voice command capabilities. With this technology, owners can control their DEEBOT robotic vacuum cleaner hands-free. That means more time for family

and celebration this holiday season and less time spent vacuuming before your in-laws arrive to your holiday party. The associated app allows you to focus on certain areas, set up virtual boundaries to keep it from going into specific rooms or even start the R95 while you're away. Pet owners rejoice, as this unit features two interchangeable suction options: the main brush option for deep cleaning and the direct suction option for vacuuming up human and pet hairs without tangling. \$549, [amazon.com](#).

## Swarovski Remix Collection Jewelry

A true highlight of Swarovski's Fall Winter 2017 collection, the Swarovski's Remix Collection is all about empowering women to express and celebrate their individual style. The incredibly versatile Remix Collection introduces a new way to dial up your everyday look, thanks to the invisible magnetic closures. They securely and easily connect to one another so you can create all-around necklaces, this season's must-have chokers, strand necklaces and pretty double- or single-wrap bracelets that will keep you on-trend well into the holiday season. \$79, [swarovski.com](#).

## Fragrant Jewels Candles and Bath Bombs

Nothing beats a hot bath when it's time to relax and unwind, and you can make this experience even better with Fragrant Jewels luxury candles and bath bombs. Beyond just bath products, the company includes a fashionable ring inside every product, along with a chance to win another ring valued up to \$10,000 through its Enter the Vault Sweepstakes. All candles are made from a proprietary coconut wax blend that has a rich, creamy texture and a long, cleaner burn. Fragrant Jewels is also now offering co-branded Hello Kitty candles and bath bombs with a Hello Kitty ring inside each product. This special and adorable collection is perfect for collectors, fans and anyone who loves all things Hello Kitty! \$14.95, [fragrantjewels.com](#).

## Speks De-Stressing Magnets

In the event that you can't sleep, grab yourself some Speks, the high intensity magnetic desk toy and ultimate de-stressor. Yes, they're fun to pass the time with during insomnia, too. A pack of 512 high-intensity 2.5mm Speks magnets can be mashed, molded, stretched and strung into 3D shapes over and over again. They're tactile stress reducers, and with each use, you create something new and colorful. Display them on your desk and carry them with you in a handy carrying cube for on-the-go play. \$24.95-\$27.95, [getspeks.com](#).

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