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## Goldfinch by Edelweiss debuts latest commission at exclusive event

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The piano is clad and forged of bronze and gold leaf. Image courtesy of Edelweiss

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British bespoke piano maker Edelweiss' Goldfinch division is granting a look at its sixth-ever custom model.

Created in collaboration with Indian artist Ambika Hinduja Macker, the founder and creative director of design firm Impeccable Imagination, the "Harmony of Nature" baby grand piano takes cues from autumnal leaves and foliage. Unveiled at an exclusive event at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London in October 2023, the model has now been revealed to the public.

## Fall leaves

While created with Ms. Hinduja Macker, the artist is also the recipient of the final piece.

Forged and cast in bronze, "Harmony of Nature" is also said to be clad in 22.5-karat moon-gold leaf, producing a metallic instrument. The use of gold leaf is a nod to the project's goal of replicating nature and its features in an abstract, bespoke form.



The design was created before a piano was inserted into its core, preserving the original artistic vision. Image courtesy of Edelweiss

The design, while a piece of art in itself, has a fully functional acoustic piano within. Its harmonic sounds were showcased at the October event in London, attended by many notable names in music, including English composer and theater impresario Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Along side the piece, a stool was crafted and clad in the same materials of bronze and gold; it is said to be designed after and shaped to resemble a small pebble.

Goldfinch began its custom commission endeavors in 2015 with the introduction of "The Crystal," beset with 500,000 Swarovski jewels, with a price tag of \$628,000 (see story).

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