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## MANDARIN ORIENTAL, PARIS OFFERS SO COUTURE BY ECOLE LESAGE EXPERIENCE

**Hong Kong, 23 September 2016** -- <u>Mandarin Oriental, Paris</u> is inviting guests to become an embroiderer for a day with expert tuition from prestigious fashion house, Maison Lesage. By booking the hotel's *So Couture by Ecole Lesage* room package, guests can enjoy luxurious accommodation and other treats, including their own handmade bracelet to take home with them. The package is available from October 15.

Working for the greatest names in fashion, Paris-based Maison Lesage is recognized worldwide as a guardian of the rare and precious art form: embroidery. Commissioned to create a fan for Mandarin Oriental, Paris at its opening, Maison Lesage has since become a legendary ambassador for Parisian Haute Couture at the hotel, which is one of only nine in the French capital to have earned 'Palace' distinction. In addition to making Mandarin Oriental, Paris's elegant fan symbol, Maison Lesage has created embroideries for bedheads, furniture and wall fabrics in the hotel's largest suites.

Deepening its successful collaboration with the Palace, Maison Lesage will share its knowledge and skills with guests booking the *So Couture by Ecole Lesage* package by inviting them to its school: Ecole Lesage. In an exclusive two-hour private lesson, suitable for all levels from beginners to advanced, guests will discover the secrets of Lunéville hook and needle techniques with the most experienced Maison Lesage embroiderers. During the course, guests will fashion their own personalized bracelet to take home with them as a souvenir.

The So Couture by Ecole Lesage package is priced from EUR1,400 per night, and includes:

- Minimum two night's luxurious accommodation
- Daily breakfast at <u>Camélia</u> or in-room
- A private two-hour embroidery course at Ecole Lesage
- A handmade bracelet fashioned by the guest



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The package is available from 15 October 2016 subject to availability, and rates are based on two people sharing for minimum two night's stay.

Reservations can be made through Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group's on-line reservations service at <u>www.mandarinoriental.com</u> or by contacting the reservations office at Mandarin Oriental, Paris on +33 1 7098 7333 / <u>mopar-reservations@mohg.com</u>. Rooms are subject to availability, and terms and conditions apply.

#### **About Ecole Lesage**

Since 1924 Maison Lesage has worked for the greatest names in fashion as the guardian of a savoir-faire which has now become rare: embroidery art. Maison Lesage opened their Parisian school in 1992, imparting its knowledge and techniques. Thousands of students from around the world have chosen to study the many Lunéville hook and needle techniques taught at the Ecole Lesage. Instruction is provided by Maison Lesage embroiderers, and is accessible to all, from beginner to advanced students, as well as those wishing to receive professional training. The Ecole Lesage is open all year round, including evening classes. Seminars also offer students in styling and future managers of the luxury and fashion industry an opportunity to learn about the history and economy of the métiers d'art, and specifically the Maison Lesage, which became part of the Maison CHANEL in 2002.

### About Mandarin Oriental, Paris

<u>Mandarin Oriental, Paris</u>, one of only nine hotels in the city honoured with the prestigious 'Palace' distinction, has a premier location on Rue Saint-Honoré and just steps from Place Vendôme, surrounded by history and fashionable shopping. The hotel's <u>98 luxurious rooms</u> and <u>40 suites</u> offer guests an eminently stylish Parisian experience, and are among the most spacious in Paris. An inner courtyard camellia garden provides outdoor dining and is a peaceful oasis in the city. Other dining choices, include the two-Michelin star signature restaurant, <u>Sur Mesure par Thierry Marx</u>, <u>Camélia</u>, <u>The Cake Shop</u> and <u>Bar 8</u>, all under Executive Chef and Culinary Director Thierry Marx. <u>The Spa</u> brings relaxation in a peaceful, modern setting, and an indoor pool and a fully-equipped fitness centre complete the hotel's leisure facilities.



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#### **About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group**

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the world's most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from its Asian roots into a global brand, the Group now operates 29 hotels and eight residences in 19 countries and territories, with each property reflecting the Group's oriental heritage and unique sense of place. Mandarin Oriental has a strong pipeline of hotels and residences under development, with the next hotel opening planned in Doha.

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