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## Creative Lead

Jonathan Anderson — who now shoulders one of the biggest design workloads in fashion as creative director of women's, men's and haute couture collections at Dior, and his JW Anderson brand — must have a great deal to say about time and team management.

Lo and behold he is to share his thoughts on "leading beyond authority" next week when he addresses attendees of the 2025 American Express Leadership Academy in London. "As a visionary in the fashion world, Jonathan Anderson will share his philosophy on leading global creative brands with creativity, purpose and resilience," said Jennifer Skyler, chief corporate affairs officer at American Express, whose academy has trained more 165,000 nonprofit and social-driven leaders since its founding in 2007.

Anderson is expected to share his perspectives and insights in conversation with British journalist Alexander

Fury. Other speakers at the London event have yet to be revealed.

"We continue to gather bold thinkers across sectors to learn from one another and accelerate their global impact," Skyler said.

The academy's purpose is to "build the personal, business and leadership skills of social-purpose leaders through multiday, in-person and virtual programming," according to American Express.

The four-day event, running July 8 to 11,

also offers storytelling workshops, immersive visits with nonprofit organizations, and group projects around topics like "building an innovative mindset," according to American Express, which has invested more than \$100 million to date in the academy.

Three Alumni Awards, each valued at \$25,000 in support of programs at nonprofit organizations, are also to be handed out.

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