



**Loews Vanderbilt Hotel begins extensive renovation**  
*Multi-million dollar remodel to feature new Mason's restaurant and Mason Bar*

**NASHVILLE (November 5, 2012)** – Travelers and foodies alike will have a new location to visit in Nashville with the renovation of Loews Vanderbilt Hotel and launch of its new restaurant, Mason's, and bar, Mason Bar.

The extensive renovation includes the new restaurant and bar, a complete redesign of the lobby, remodeled corridors, and new guest and public bathrooms. Construction begins November 26 and is scheduled to wrap up in May 2013.

Using local music, fashion and food as design inspiration, hotel features and finishes will be a sleek, modern style with vintage inspiration featuring stone, metal and rich, dark woods.

Mason's, aptly named for the popular Mason jars used in Southern canning, is slated to be a Southern brasserie-style restaurant combining traditional Southern dishes with classical French techniques to create a uniquely local dining experience. Mason Bar, a rustic, public house-style bar featuring a Mason jar chandelier and nine-screen media wall, will offer live music and an extensive selection of beers, wines and spirits, some served straight from a Mason jar.

"Loews Vanderbilt Hotel is Tennessee's only AAA Four Diamond rated hotel that has maintained that rating for more than 27 consecutive years, and we intend to keep up that rating by matching this invigorating contemporary look with our impeccable service," said Tom Negri, Managing Director of Loews Vanderbilt Hotel. "With all of the new development that is bringing more people into Nashville and into our hotels and restaurants, it's exciting that we are able to make this investment so that we can stay ahead of what's going on in the market."

Throughout construction, the hotel's meeting and conference space, ballroom, fitness center will remain open. Alternative restaurant and bar locations will be available on the Mezzanine level for guests' dining and beverage needs. A special renovation rate starting at \$129 is available Nov. 26, 2012 through May 8, 2013, and includes 50 percent off of parking, including valet, free in-room internet, one complimentary movie during a stay, and a 25 percent discount on room service for dinner.

**About Loews Vanderbilt Hotel**

Nestled in the heart of Nashville's trendy West End corridor, the 340-room Loews Vanderbilt Hotel is within walking distance of Vanderbilt University, one mile from Music Row and a short 15-minute drive from Nashville International Airport (BNA). The hotel offers the ultimate Music City experience, complete with southern hospitality, indulgent comforts and on-cue services. The property is one of only 73 hotels nationwide and the only one in Tennessee to achieve the AAA Four-Diamond designation for 27 consecutive years. From its lobby jukebox stocked with tunes of VIP guests to its impressive collection of autographed records and musical memorabilia, Loews Vanderbilt Hotel is a "home away from home" that reflects Nashville's heritage and local music culture. Live music and wake up calls recorded by Nashville entertainers Vince Gill, Amy Grant and Brenda Lee give guests a glimpse of the authentic sights and sounds that make Music City famous.

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