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Texworld and Apparel Sourcing New York City Winter 2026 Edition Concludes with Strong Industry Engagement and Forward Momentum

The Winter 2026 Edition of Texworld New York City, Apparel Sourcing New York City, and co-located Printsource, successfully concluded at the Javits Center, bringing together thousands of global textile and apparel professionals for three days of sourcing, discovery, and industry exchange.

Exhibitors from 18+ countries participated in this edition, with dozens of product categories represented across the show floor. Five country pavilions, Bangladesh, Taiwan, Korea, Mexico, and Uzbekistan, highlighted the global participation.

First-time Apparel Sourcing exhibitor, B&S Activewear, shares, *“This was my first time exhibiting, and it has been the best show I’ve participated in. I recognized about 30% of the visitors who stopped by our booth, which speaks to the quality of the event’s audience. Overall, it was an excellent experience.”*

Educational programming and feature areas once again played a key role, providing attendees with practical insights into current industry topics—from sustainability and supply-chain transparency to digital tools and emerging technologies. Conversations on the show floor reflected an industry that is both navigating near-term challenges and actively preparing for what’s next.

A key highlight of this edition was the newly expanded Innovation Hub, which brought together technology solutions, next-generation materials, and industry services within a dedicated feature area. Designed as a central point for discovery and knowledge exchange, the expanded hub enabled attendees to explore solutions supporting digital transformation and AI, material innovation, and operational efficiency. The integrated format allowed buyers, designers, and sourcing professionals to better understand how new tools, materials, and services can be applied across product development and production workflows.

“This was my first time exhibiting at Texworld NYC as an Innovator, and it was truly an amazing experience. I met so many new entrepreneurs who are just starting their brands and are strong potential clients for my business. Texworld NYC is a great platform to connect, build relationships, and grow internationally.” - April Knit Studio, Innovation Hub Exhibitor

“Texworld New York City clearly demonstrated how strongly artificial intelligence is shaping the future of the textile industry. We were very encouraged to see how present and tangible the topic of AI was across so many different formats on the show floor from sourcing to knowledge exchange. This strong interest confirms that the industry is ready to actively engage with AI-driven solutions. With this momentum, we are proud to further roll out Texpertise Focus AI as a global programme focus throughout our more than 60 textile shows in 13 countries worldwide to foster orientation on AI in the industry”, said Olaf Schmidt, Vice President Textiles and Textile Technologies at Messe Frankfurt GmbH.

The success of the Winter event sets the stage for both Summer 2026 Editions - Texworld and Apparel Sourcing Los Angeles, which will take place on July 21-23 at the California Market Center, immediately followed by the New York counterpart on July 29-31 at the Javits Center.

“We look forward to welcoming the industry back on both coasts this July and continuing the progress seen at the Winter Edition,” said Jennifer Bacon, Vice President of Fashion and Apparel, Messe Frankfurt Inc.

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Background information on Texworld New York City

Texworld NYC is one of the largest sourcing events on the East Coast for apparel fabric buyers, research and product development specialists, designers, merchandisers and overseas sourcing professionals. This international business platform offers a wide product range covering the entire fabric spectrum. From casual cotton to functional fabrics and sophisticated knits to intricate laces, season- to- season attendees discover textiles of innovative structures, material mixes and surprising color palettes. For more information, please visit www.TexworldNYC.com

Background information on Apparel Sourcing New York City

As a long- term joint venture partnership between Messe Frankfurt and CCPIT- Tex, Apparel Sourcing New York City offers apparel brands, retailers, wholesalers and independent design firms a dedicated sourcing marketplace for finding the best international apparel manufacturers. As the only event on the East Coast to focus on finished apparel, contract manufacturing and private label development, the show provides attendees direct access to suppliers specializing in ready- to- wear for men, women, children and accessories. For more information, please visit: www.TexworldNYC.com

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