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STUDENT NEWS

Student Designs Gown for Minister
The school of Fashion and Textiles was approached by Jacinta Allan MP Minister for Regional & Rural Development & Minister for Skills & Workforce Participation to design and produce a couture individually designed outfit for the Minister to wear to the prestigious Victorian Training Awards night.

One of the School's outstanding students from the Advanced Diploma of Applied Fashion Design and Technology Christine Tsay was asked as part of her assessment task to create the gown using sustainability as a theme.

Christine worked with Daryl Teschendorf, fabric supplier of Creation Baumann Australia who sponsored Christine's project and provided fabric that met the sustainable brief. Christine did an outstanding job and Minister Allen praised her creativity in her opening speech at the Awards event.

Students Parade their Designs at the Victorian Training Awards
The School of Fashion and Textiles was asked to work with Skills Victoria Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development to assist with highlighting the skills of RMIT fashion design students from the Diploma and Advanced Diploma of Fashion Design and Technology program at the Victorian Training Awards Event held at Crown Palladium on 20th August 2009.

To showcase the outstanding skills, fashion students created couture garments and hosted an outstanding fashion parade which was a highlight of the evening events.

Thesis/Masters - all done!
The School of Fashion and Textiles Higher Degree by Research program has had a good completion rate this year with further completions in August.

• Rohana Kuruppu, Director of Brandix College of Clothing Technology

www.rmit.edu.au/fashionandtextiles
Sri Lanka completing his PhD (Textiles) under the supervision of Dr Rajiv Padhye and Prof David Forrest.

Esther Paleologos, Lecturer RMIT School of Fashion Textiles completing her Masters Textile Design by project examination under the supervision of Dr Juliette Peers and Patrick Snelling.

STAFF NEWS

RMIT staff member curator of National Contemporary Glass Exhibition

Douglas McManus, lecturer in Textile Design and Development has been invited this year to curate the Design Excellence Exhibition for the Tasmanian Craft Fair.

The fair runs for four consecutive days attracting over 30,000 national and international visitors. It is the largest craft and design fair in the southern hemisphere.

Furnace: Contemporary Australian Art Glass will showcase the work of 28 contemporary Australian glass artists.

The exhibition will highlight artists working with glass media who produce sculptural, installation and object-based forms. The artists chosen represent some of the leading practitioners in hot and cold glass techniques. The works range from beautifully crafted figurative pieces to intimate surface-treated abstract forms.

30th October - 2nd November 2009
Deloraine, Tasmania

Building Relationships through Technology: Virtual Multinational Collaboration

Arnold Andrew, a lecturer in the Fashion stream has been working for the past two years on a virtual collaboration project with two international universities: Iowa State University and University of Pretoria.

This project will be the subject of a research paper and will provide direct benefit with respect of internationalisation for the Schools in VET (Vocational Education & Training) and HE (Higher Education)
Sustainability News

Ride To Work Day - Join the Commuter Evolution

RMIT School of Fashion and Textiles has joined the Nation’s Ride to work campaign on Wednesday 14th October 2009.

Staff and students are encouraged to leave their car at home, hop onto a bike and ride to work.

Ride to Work is a behaviour change program that encourages workers to feel good and have fun by commuting to work by bike and experiencing the health, financial and environmental benefits of riding.

For more information visit http://www.bv.com.au/ or contact Emma Lynas on emma.lynas@rmit.edu.au

Program Profile

Program: MC164 - Master of Fashion and Textiles

Description: This degree is intended for those seeking to build upon and add additional expertise and knowledge to their existing textile, merchandising and fashion skill base in the areas of design, technology and supply chain management in the fashion and textile industry.

Entrance Requirements: A relevant bachelor degree and/or considerable professional practice within the fashion and textiles industry. Typically professional experience is at least five years practice.

Postgraduate Information Sessions 2009 - Fashion and Textiles

Date: 2009-10-28

Time: 18:00

Location: RMIT University, Info Corner, Cnr La Trobe and Swanston Streets, Melbourne

More information can be found at http://www.rmit.edu.au/programs/mc164 or by contacting Olga.Troynikov@rmit.edu.au
## Events @ RMIT School of Fashion & Textiles

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| Wednesday 28 October 09 | Fashion and Textiles Postgraduate Information Evening | Venue: Info Corner, RMIT University Cnr Swanston and La Trobe Streets, Melbourne  
[http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=qtqjmlywt426](http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=qtqjmlywt426) |
| Tuesday 13th October 09 | Young Essentials Project Launch | (Student working with industry partners: Spotsgirl, Target and Country Road)  
VENUE: Eve Bar & Lounge, 334 City Road, Southbank  
RSVP: kelly.robb@rmit.edu.au or fiona.gavens@rmit.edu.au |
| Wednesday 14 October 09 | Half a kilo of ethanol from a kilo of denim? | A presentation by Professor Mohammad Taherzadeh  
VENUE: Auditorium, Building 514, RMIT Brunswick Campus  
[http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=brer120lx6syz](http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=brer120lx6syz) |
| Tuesday 20 October 09 | Textile Institute Awards | VENUE: Atrium, Building 514 RMIT Brunswick Campus  
| Tuesday 24th November 09 | ASKEW - Fashion, Textile Design & Footwear Exhibition | Opening Night includes Fashion Parade. Booking required through kerry.bromley@rmit.edu.au |
| 25th - 26th November 09 | End of year Exhibition from Textile Design (TAFE) & Footwear | VENUE: Shed 4 North Wharf Road, Docklands |
| 19th November - 2nd December 09 | BA Textile Design End of Year Exhibition | VENUE: NO Vacancy Gallery, Jane Bell lane (access from Russell Street - Officeworks)  
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