



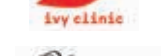
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Welcome to the 38th MLT Hokonui Fashion Design Awards.

Welcome to an evening celebrating creativity, craftsmanship and the outstanding talent of New Zealand fashion designers.

For 38 years, the MLT Hokonui Fashion Design Awards have provided a platform for emerging and established designers from across Aotearoa to share their vision and showcase their creativity. What began as a community initiative has grown into one of New Zealand's premier fashion events, while remaining true to its founding values of community, opportunity and design excellence.

This event would not be possible without the dedication of our committee members and volunteers, who generously give their time and energy throughout the year. We are equally grateful to our sponsors, whose generosity and long-standing support continue to nurture creativity and provide opportunities for New Zealand designers.

To our designers, thank you for trusting us with your creations. Congratulations to every entrant on bringing your ideas to the runway.

Our sincere thanks also go to our judges, models, hair and makeup artists, backstage crew, wardrobe team, photographers, production team and everyone working behind the scenes. Your expertise and commitment bring each designer's vision to life.

To our audience, thank you for your continued support of New Zealand fashion. Your enthusiasm helps these Awards continue to flourish.

Finally, we acknowledge the Gore and wider Hokonui community. For nearly four decades, your encouragement, hospitality and unwavering support have been the foundation of this event and a wonderful example of what a community can achieve together.

As we celebrate the 38th MLT Hokonui Fashion Design Awards, we recognise the remarkable talent on the runway and the many people whose generosity, dedication and belief have made tonight possible. Together, we celebrate the future of New Zealand fashion and the next generation of designers who will continue to inspire us.

Thank you for being part of our journey. We hope you enjoy a memorable evening of fashion, creativity and celebration.

Tyla Routhan & Tori Tremaine - Awards Co-Chairs



Welcome to the Gore District for the 2026 MLT Hokonui Fashion Design Awards!

It's a pleasure to welcome you to New Zealand's longest-running fashion design awards of its kind. This year marks 38 years of creativity, innovation and craftsmanship that continue to put Gore on the map.

To our talented designers, congratulations on bringing your creations to life. The countless hours you've invested are about to be showcased on the catwalk. Enjoy every moment—you've earned it. Your passion, imagination and skill represent the very best of New Zealand fashion.

To our models, thank you for your commitment, from auditions through to tonight's showcase. You bring each designer's vision to life with professionalism and pride.

To our audience—family, friends, supporters, fashion enthusiasts and visitors who have travelled to Gore—thank you for being here. Your enthusiasm helps make these Awards so special, so don't be shy with your applause and cheers!

My sincere thanks also go to our committee, volunteers, sponsors and everyone working behind the scenes. Your dedication has built the MLT Hokonui Fashion Design Awards into the nationally recognised event it is today.

These Awards are a proud celebration of creativity, community and excellence, proving that world-class talent continues to emerge from right here in the South.

Thank you for joining us and supporting this iconic event. Enjoy an inspiring evening, and best wishes to everyone involved in the 2026 MLT Hokonui Fashion Design Awards.

Ben Bell - Gore District Mayor

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Laura Horton	Kazia Grant	Jude Terry
Alexiss McDowell	Shiloh Thurston	Rithvy Goundar
Amelia McColl	Grace Milliken	Juandre Kruger
Tara Ruri	Sophie Cupit	Shann Clark Tulabing
Peyton-Rose Young	Megan Sullivan	Ailis Luscombe
Abby Gutschlag	Amelia Hollows	Chelsey Beattie
Eryn Phillipson	Violet McLennan	Caitlin Butson
Charli Pearce	Matilda Gemmill	Izaah Iosefo
Eli Puna	Neeve Woollorton	
Kip Hosey	Hazel Evans	
Lilly Atwill	Hannah Johnston	
Molly Cook	Ellie Sisley	
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AWARDS JUDGES



Dan Ahwa

Dan Ahwa is a New Zealand-based creative director, journalist, curator, stylist, and brand ambassador with over two decades of experience at the forefront of fashion and culture. Recognised for his refined editorial sensibility, he moves fluidly across image and language, shaping narratives that sit at the intersection of style, culture,

luxury, and politics with clarity and depth. For more than ten years, he held the role of Fashion & Creative Director at the award-winning *Viva* and *Canvas* magazines at *The New Zealand Herald*, where his vision helped define and elevate the visual and editorial language of contemporary fashion publishing in Aotearoa, influencing editorial and commercial touchpoints across print, digital and events.

A respected voice within the industry, Ahwa has contributed to the governance and direction of organisations including board roles with the New Zealand Fashion Museum and Mindful Fashion NZ. He currently serves as a creative director and mentor at New Zealand Fashion Week and Contributing Fashion Editor-at-Large for *Fashion Quarterly*. He is equally committed to mentoring emerging talent, fostering the next generation of creative practitioners with generosity and intent. In February 2026, he extended his creative output with the release of *Archive* by Dan Ahwa, a made-to-order menswear capsule collection with unisex appeal inspired by his own wardrobe archive.

In 2019, he co-curated and co-authored *Moana Currents: Dressing Aotearoa Now* alongside Doris de Pont, a landmark exhibition and publication that reflects his enduring commitment to celebrating and documenting the evolving narratives



Sara Aspinall

Founder and Creative Director of Company of Strangers based in Dunedin.

Company of Strangers is a brand built on timeless design and quality all proudly made in New Zealand, which Sara started in 2008 making leather goods and jewellery. Always a woman

of many ideas this quickly led to the development of garments and opening Company Store.

A lover of art and design in all forms her collections are always inspired by her connections with her community of friends and family. When she's not designing she's hiding in the country gardening, walking and dreaming of the next adventure.



Dayne Johnston

Dayne Johnston is a highly respected New Zealand designer known for meticulous craftsmanship and a considered, contemporary approach. With over two decades in the industry, he has shaped the local fashion landscape through refined tailoring and thoughtful design.

In 2023, he joined Kowtow as Head of Design, a natural alignment with his values-led practice. He leads the design team and oversees Fairtrade organic cotton collections, bringing a fresh perspective grounded in textile innovation and a deep respect for craft - continuing Kowtow's commitment to ethical, enduring fashion.

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OPENING ACT: Jarni Blair & Dance It Out Studio

SCHOOL SECTION

School Section Awards are presented at Friday's Strawberry Strictly Design Show

Regional Ford Gala Award	1st Prize	\$700
	2nd Prize	\$300

INTERVAL 1

Labels From The Earth Award	1st Prize	\$700
	2nd Prize	\$300

Collective Design Preppy Award	1st Prize	\$700
	2nd Prize	\$300

Tegan Androgynous Award	1st Prize	\$700
	2nd Prize	\$300

Otago Polytechnic/iD Dunedin Sustainable Excellence Award		\$700
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BERNINA SCHOOL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Bernina Sewing Machine, \$1,200 cash, Jewellery, Trophy, Flowers

INTERVAL 2

OPEN SECTION

Open Section Awards are presented at Saturday's Gala Awards

Ivy Clinic Aotearoa Award	1st Prize	\$1,200
	2nd Prize	\$400

ACT: Jarni Blair & Dance It Out Studio

Dunedin Airport Collections Award	1st Prize	\$1,200
	2nd Prize	\$400

Country Living Winter Solstice Award	1st Prize	\$1,200
	2nd Prize	\$400

INTERVAL 3

Hokonui Heritage Precinct Avant Garde Award	1st Prize	\$1,200
	2nd Prize	\$400

Van de Water Jewellers Androgynous Award	1st Prize	\$1,200
	2nd Prize	\$400

Lion Gala Award	1st Prize	\$1,200
	2nd Prize	\$400

FRIDAY: SHOW ENDS / SATURDAY: INTERVAL 4

JUDGE'S SHOWCASE: (SATURDAY ONLY)

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL AWARDS

Special Awards are presented at Saturday's Gala Awards.

The order of presentation may differ from the order listed below.

The Fabric Store Best Use of Fabric Award	\$700*
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Collaborate Design Garment with the Most Commercial Potential Award	\$700*
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Wools of New Zealand Best Use of Wool Award	\$700*
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New World Gore Sustainable Excellence Award	\$700*
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Gore District Council Auaha Award	\$700*
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O'Connor Richmond Narrative Award	\$700*
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MODEL WALK THROUGH (SATURDAY ONLY)

Regional Ford Gala Award School Section

GA	Alisa Nedyhalova #	Bayfield High School
GB	Non Suvarnpikul #	Bayfield High School
GC	Hazel Evans #	Bayfield High School
GD	Melissa Grobler # •	Blue Mountain College
GE	Becky Sullivan # •	Blue Mountain College
GF	Barushi Bogala Arachillage #	Blue Mountain College
GG	Grace Chittock # •	Blue Mountain College
GH	Emmie Paterson # •	Blue Mountain College
GI	Jade Kidd #	Kaikorai Valley College
GJ	Kayla-Rose Marsh #	Kaikorai Valley College
GK	Hayley Chronican #	Kaikorai Valley College
GL	Shikayla Low #	Kaikorai Valley College
GM	Kassie Vincent #	Kaikorai Valley College
GN	Jazmyn Tunley #	Kāpiti College
GO	Sophie-Lee Smyth #	Mahurangi College
GQ	Iris Saphera #	Marlborough Girls' College
GS	Alice-Mia Sativa #	Marlborough Girls' college
GT	Hasara Olivia #	Marlborough Girls' College
GU	Emma Page #	Nga Tawa Diocesan School
GW	Ella Grace Strode-Penny #	Nga Tawa Diocesan School
GX	Laura Miller #	Nga Tawa Diocesan School
GY	Mikayla Lindsay #	Otago Girls' High School
GZ	Eden Breen #	Otago Girls' High School
GAA	Maisy Hill #	Otago Girls' High School
GAB	McKenna Olsen #	Queen's High School
GAC	Eden McCreary #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
GAD	Annabel Thorneycroft #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
GAE	Marese Napier #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
GAF	Natasha Reynolds #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
GAG	Lily Boggs #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
GAH	Jasmin Kirk #	Taieri College
GAI	Addyson Todd #	Taieri College
GAJ	Kayla Hendry #	Taieri College
GAK	Leeanne Tiosing #	Taieri College
GAL	Delaine Sell #	Taieri College
GAM	Jodie Porteous #	Taieri College
GAN	Shakaia Anderson #	Taieri College

Regional Ford Gala Award School Section continued...

GAP	Tegan Mitchell-Borley #	Taieri College
GAQ	Becca Duff #	Taieri College
GAS	Lucy Barker #	The Catlins Area School
GAT	Jess Love #	Waimea College
GAU	Macey Rawson #	Waitaki Girls' High School
GAV	Ivy Mckenzie #	Wakatipu High School
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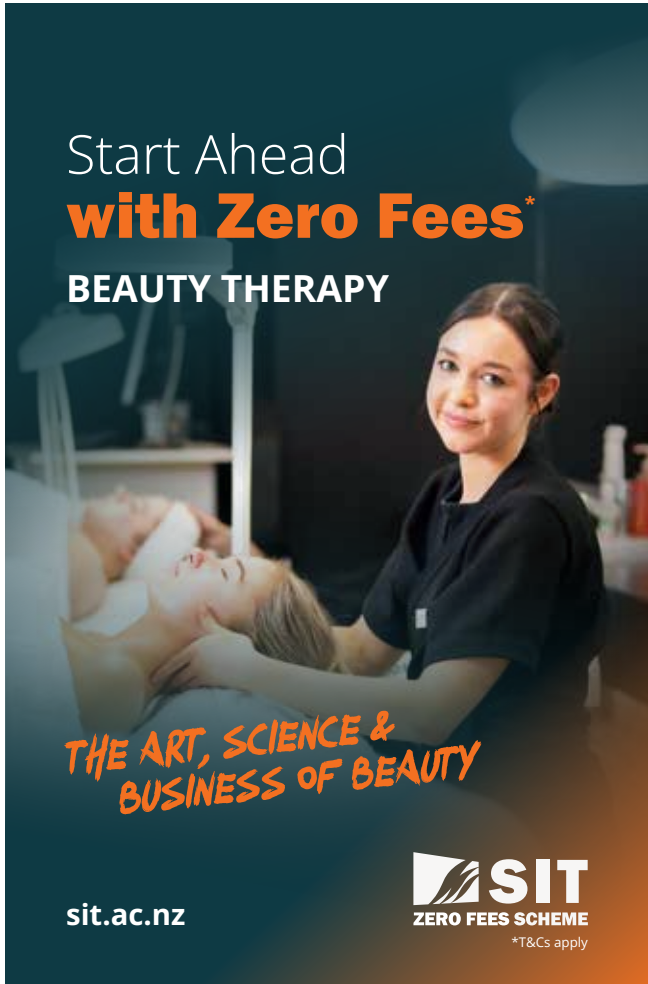
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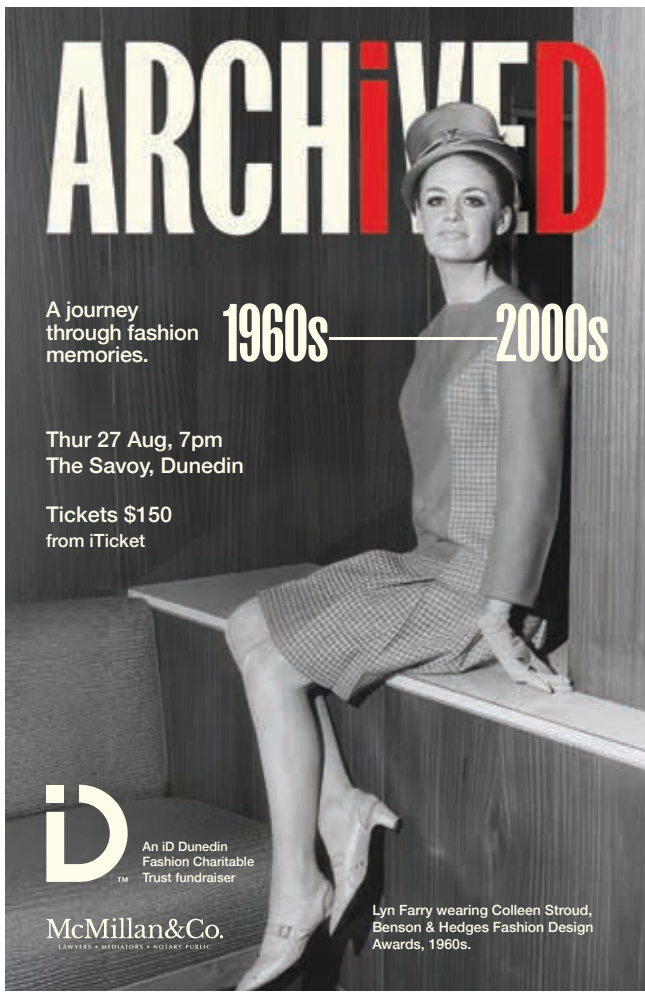

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School Section

EA	Prynce Te Taonga Apirana #	Fairfield College
EC	Freja Broughton #	Marlborough Girls' College
ED	Ella Rotmeyer #	Nga Tawa Diocesan School
EF	Bonnie Noble #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
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EH	Sueloa Tyrell #	The Catlins Area School
EI	Ivy-Belle Mestrom #	Waitaki Girls' High School
EJ	Seren Wheatley #	Wellington East Girls' College
EK	Yukon Thorpe #	Wellington East Girls' College
EL	Emily Robertson #	Whanganui Girls' College

Secondary Schools represented:

- Bayfield High School - Dunedin
- Blue Mountain College - Tapanui
- Fairfield College - Hamilton
- Kaikorai Valley College - Dunedin
- Kāpiti College - Paraparaumu
- Mahurangi College - Warkworth
- Marlborough Girls' College - Blenheim
- Māruawai College - Gore
- Nga Tawa Diocesan School - Wellington
- Otago Girls' High School - Dunedin
- Queen's High School - Dunedin
- St Hilda's Collegiate - Dunedin
- St Matthew's Collegiate - Masterton
- Taieri College - Dunedin
- The Catlins Area School - Owaka
- Waimea College - Nelson
- Waitaki Girls' High School - Oamaru
- Wakatipu High School - Queenstown
- Wellington East Girls' College - Wellington
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Collective Design Preppy Award School Section

PB	Michaela Elliott #	Kaikorai Valley College
PD	Grace Shemely #	Kaikorai Valley College
PE	Lily Dickinson #	Kāpiti College
PF	Liana Dove #	Mahurangi College
PG	Aiyana Danisha Ikey #	Marlborough Girls' College
PH	Izzy McLauchlan #	Marlborough Girls' College
PI	Zara Craig #	Marlborough Girls' College
PJ	Mikayla Watson #	Marlborough Girls' College
PK	Brooke Aryaan #	Marlborough Girls' College
PM	Rylie Horncastle #	Marlborough Girls' College
PN	Addison Grant # •	Māruawai College
PO	Phoebe Goodman #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
PP	Olivia Church #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
PQ	Lydia Bransgrove #	Taieri College
PR	Sophia Brown #	Wellington East Girls' College
PS	Camila Vo #	Wellington Girls' College
PT	Emily Paterson #	Whanganui Girls' College

Tegan Androgynous Award School Section

AD	Stella Phillips #	Marlborough Girls' College
AE	Emily Pitcon #	Marlborough Girls' College
AF	Trinity Locke #	Marlborough Girls' College
AG	Molly Hoban #	Marlborough Girls' College
AH	Luella Lilly #	Nga Tawa Diocesan School
AI	Rose Jeffery #	Nga Tawa Diocesan School
AJ	Mikayla Lindsay #	Otago Girls' High School
AK	Malak Tamimi #	Queen's High School
AL	Sinead O'Neill #	St Hilda's Collegiate School
AM	Bonnie Noble #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
AN	Ava Wilson #	St Matthew's Collegiate School
AO	Lydia Bransgrove #	Taieri College
AP	Quinn Gardner #	Wellington Girls' College
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Aotearoa Award

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NZ1	Amy Macaskill	Porirua
NZ2	Bronté Perriam #	Christchurch
NZ4	Dorothy McIntosh •	Gore
NZ5	Elizabeth Grounds # OP	Dunedin
NZ6	Georgia Coomber	Wellington
NZ7	Harper Fa'amalepe #	Arrowtown
NZ8	India Woodward-Leth OP	Dunedin
NZ9	Jumaanah Vahora #	Auckland
NZ10	Levonne Smith	Whangarei
NZ11	Samantha Free # OP	Dunedin
NZ12	Sonia Tilley •	Gore
NZ13	Sonia Tilley •	Gore
NZ14	Sonia Tilley •	Gore

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Dunedin Airport Collections Award Open Section

C1	Socrates Catapang OP	Dunedin
C2	Bella Donaldson, Maddie Smith and Ella Smith #	Dunedin
C3	Lily Banner ARA	Christchurch
C5	Bracken Eaves OP	Dunedin
C6	Rachael Pedersen UIT	Auckland
C7	Alex O'Hagan ARA	Christchurch
C9	Elizabeth Grounds # OP	Dunedin
C10	Jennie Page	Napier
C11	Kezia Berkahn ARA	Christchurch
C12	Kimberley Robertson OP	Dunedin
C13	Salome Perfect ARA	Christchurch
C14	Sophie Brand ARA	Christchurch
C15	Indigo Jones	Tapanui
C16	Georgia Coomber	Wellington
C17	Jenna Wakeling UCOL	Whanganui
C18	Aria Monks # OP	Dunedin
C20	Hannah Munro ARA	Christchurch
C21	Lydia Bransgrove #	Mosgiel
C22	Savannah Lamar # ARA	Christchurch
C23	Logan Clarkson # ARA	Christchurch
C24	Paige Brown # OP	Dunedin
C26	Finch Langford ARA	Christchurch
C27	Jodi Walker	Wellington
C28	Ari Terehova	Christchurch
C30	Ezri Dalgity • MU	Wellington

Abbreviations used on the School & Open Entries pages:

- Local Southland Designer
- # Young Designer
- OP** Otago Polytechnic School of Fashion, Dunedin
- ARA** Ara Institute of Canterbury, Christchurch
- BMC** Blue Mountain College, Tapanui
- AUT** Auckland University of Technology, Auckland
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OPEN ENTRIES

Country Living Winter Solstice Award Open Section

W1	Serena Garmonsway	Auckland
W2	Emma Thompson # AUT	Auckland
W3	Ben Hyland #	Hastings
W4	Helen Marshall •	Invercargill
W5	Jennie Hasler-Jacobs	Balclutha
W6	Kathryn Holloway OP	Dunedin
W7	Mary Witsey •	Winton
W8	Mel Cupit •	Gore
W9	Nadine Robertson •	Gore
W10	Natasha Williams # MU	Wellington
W11	Oisin Benn OP	Dunedin
W12	Roslyn Miller # OP	Dunedin
W13	Suzanne Gillies •	Invercargill
W14	Viv Tamblyn •	Gore

Hokonui Heritage Precinct Avant Garde Award Open Section

AV1	Serena Garmonsway	Auckland
AV2	Alice La Rooy	Dunedin
AV3	Ben Hyland #	Hastings
AV4	Bess Cuddon-Corlet #	Blenheim
AV5	Indigo Jones	Tapanui
AV6	Jennie Hasler-Jacobs	Balclutha
AV7	Jodi Walker	Wellington
AV8	Jodie Glinster & Jason Harvey •	Gore
AV9	Julie Argyle •	Winton
AV11	Kay (Kyung Ok) Park	Christchurch
AV12	Keryn Whitney	Hastings
AV13	Nicole Mason	Ettrick
AV15	Susan Mackenzie •	Invercargill
AV16	Vicki Taylor Blair	Dunedin
AV18	Heidi Stuart # BMC	Tapanui
AV19	Denise McKee ARA	Christchurch
AV20	Abby Hayward # ARA	Christchurch
AV22	Grace McGregor # ARA	Christchurch
AV24	Isabella Fenton # ARA	Christchurch
AV25	Sophie Askham ARA	Christchurch
AV26	Shehrbano Farrukh ARA	Christchurch
AV27	Jocelyn Hudson ARA	Christchurch
AV28	Lily McNicholl # ARA	Christchurch
AV29	Denise McKee ARA	Christchurch



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Van de Water Jewellers Androgynous Award Open Section

A1	Elizabeth Robertson	Temuka
A2	Ben Hyland #	Hastings
A3	Ben Rouse # OP	Dunedin
A4	Benjamin Osmers # OP	Dunedin
A5	Bracken Eaves OP	Dunedin
A6	Brooke Bulger-Patrick # OP	Dunedin
A7	Charlotte Mirfin # OP	Dunedin
A8	Charlotte Somerville # OP	Dunedin
A9	Felix Huber	Dunedin
A10	Finn Strang # OP	Dunedin
A11	Mary Witsey •	Winton
A12	Sadie Reid # OP	Dunedin
A13	Socrates Catapang OP	Dunedin
A14	Vicki Taylor Blair	Dunedin
A15	Rachael Pedersen UIT	Auckland
A16	Hannah McArthur # OP	Dunedin

Lion Gala Award Open Section

G1	Aleisha Guyton •	Invercargill
G2	Alice La Rooy	Dunedin
G3	Bracken Eaves OP	Dunedin
G4	Bridget Wentworth	Alexandra
G5	Courtney Horrell •	Thornbury
G6	Finch Langford	Christchurch
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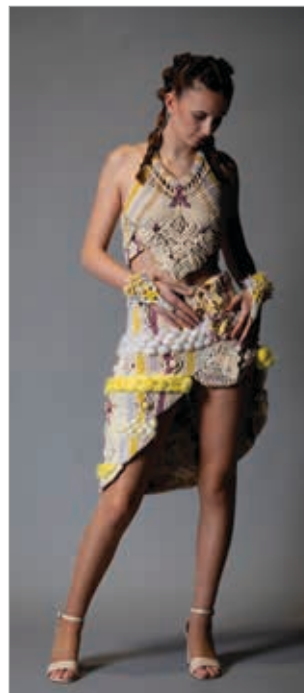
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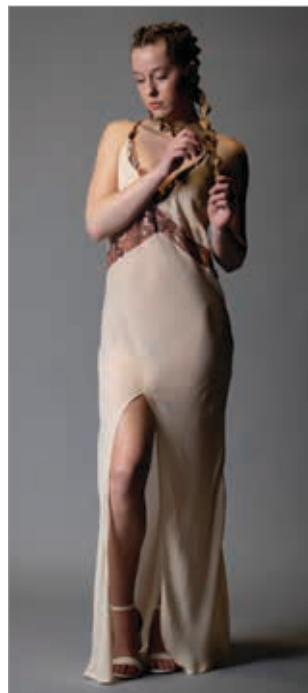
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