



Designs from Fashion Design and Marketing student, Bethany Oakey's brand, Miko.

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Students enjoy shortlist success as Graduate Fashion Week gets under way

Final year students from Northumbria University's three undergraduate Fashion programmes have impressed the judges at this year's [Graduate Fashion Foundation](#) Awards, with 26 students shortlisted across 16 different categories.

This year the Foundation's flagship event [Graduate Fashion Week](#) - the world's largest showcase of talent for new graduates - takes place from 21st to 25th June at Coal Drops Yard, London.

Graduate Fashion Week will feature a presentation from Northumbria on Friday 24th June, online industry talks, design exhibitions and a digital portfolio platform – providing an excellent opportunity for final year students to impress potential industry employers.

Gayle Cantrell, Head of Subject for Fashion at Northumbria University, said: “We are proud to see so many student projects selected by industry judges and recognised at a national level – it is testament to the hard work of graduates and the dedication of the academic and technical support staff who have guided them through their degrees.”

On Monday 20th June at 6pm, an opening event showcasing garments from all participating universities will take place. Collections from Fashion students, Melissa Lily Newton and Emily Gibson, have been selected to take part in the event by a panel of judges featuring Munroe Bergdorf, Patrick McDowell and Henry Holland.

The opening show will be streamed on the Graduate Fashion Week website: <https://www.graduatefashionweek.com/events/> and Graduate Fashion Foundation award winners will be announced throughout the week.

The following Northumbria students have been shortlisted in this year’s Graduate Fashion Foundation Awards:

The Fashion Illustration Award

Olivia Fletcher – Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Storm Anh Thu Le – Fashion BA (Hons)

The Fashion Innovation Award

Olivia Fletcher - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

The Fashion Marketing Award

Olivia Fletcher - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

The Fashion Portfolio Award

Bethany Oakey - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Lily Clark - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

The Fashion Styling & Creative Direction Award

Rebecca Barnes - Fashion Communication BA (Hons)

The Footwear Award

Rosie Holt – Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Bethany Oakey - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

The Zandra Rhodes Fashion Textiles Award

Amelia Jackson - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Holly Wright - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Olivia Pennie - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

The Terry Mansfield Fashion Publication Award

Katie Donaghy - Fashion Communication BA (Hons)

The Sportswear & Leisurewear Award

Cindy Salim – Fashion BA (Hons)

The Range Plan Award

Levi Warren-Howard – Fashion BA (Hons)

Zoe Jefferson – Fashion BA (Hons)

The Fashion Concept Award

Zoe Jefferson – Fashion BA (Hons)

The Fashion Communications Portfolio Award

Haydn Brown – Fashion Communication BA (Hons)

The FACE Excellence Prize

Angelica Dodds – Fashion BA (Hons)

The Accessories Award

Bethany Oakey - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

The Culture and Heritage Award

Levi Warren-Howard – Fashion BA (Hons)

Holly Wright - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Angelica Dodds – Fashion BA (Hons)

The Childrenswear Award

Lily Clark - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Amelia Jackson - Fashion Design and Marketing BA (Hons)

Fashion programmes at Northumbria are internationally recognised for producing innovative and hands-on, industry-ready graduates. Northumbria School of Design was ranked 11th nationwide according to the Guardian University Guide 2022, and Art and Design at Northumbria is ranked 4th in

the UK for research power, according to the [Research Excellence Framework 2021](#) results.

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