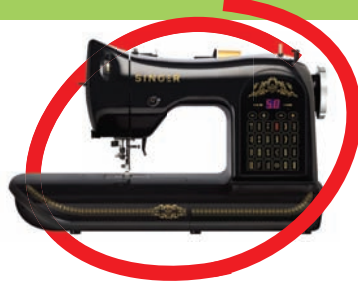


Sunday Observer **SINGER Plus**
 Designer of the Year 2013
 Presented by Cats Designer Circle



BY MAHES PERERA

The much anticipated workshop with the contestants of the Designer of the Year 2013 turned out to be an overwhelming success for the organisers.

The workshop which commenced at 9 am last Sunday, came to an end at 1.30 pm. As expected there was a large turnout of contestants at Singer Mega, 4 B De Kretser Place, Colombo 4, all eager to learn the finer points in fashion designing. The workshop was led by Devamini Wickramaratne who willingly shared her professional knowledge with the contestants to give them the opportunity to enlarge their vision in the industry. A graduate of the University of Mangalore, India and a past student of the Lanka Institute of Fashion Technology, Devamuni owns a fashion business and enjoys her work.

The workshop dealt with the basic designing for all the categories that the contestants had chosen and how they should display the styles on the ramp.

The importance of having a story board for all styles was insisted upon. Fantasy designs and how it should be tackled was also another subject that was focussed on. With the aid of a video screen the

questions from the contestants were answered with clarity to their satisfaction. The special event co-ordinator was Chrishantha Rajapakse, Manager Singer Mega who ensured that the workshop moved with no hitches. The contestants were entertained to a fellowship by him. The B52 - Cats Dance with music provided by DJs will be held on July 27 and 28 at 8.00 pm. There will also be a fashion show for the audience. Entrance will be free for all ticket holders.

The semi-finals will be held at the host hotel the Grand Oriental Hotel and the other sponsors are Sterling Flowers, Semage Mirrors, Mal Key Rent-a-Car, Beautine Astron, Furnifits, Ferla Apparel, Tes, Rite Shu and Imagine Works. Bhagya Egodage of Imagine Works will handle the choreography for the show. Tickets are available at Singer Mega, Colombo 4, Semage Mirrors, Sterling flowers, Mal Key Rent-a-Car and Imagine Works. For further information telephone 0777 305771.



Focus on Finer points



Sachini Kathriarachchi

My big dream when I was studying at St. Paul's School, Milagiriya was to become an evening wear designer of clothes. I like to create designs in the colours of the rainbow and that of nature. Participating in the competition is a good opportunity for me to display my ideas whether I win or not. Creating styles always keeps me happy.

Subhani Piyarathna

I am a past pupil of Devi Balika Vidyalaya, Colombo and I entered the University of Moratuwa to read for an honours degree in Fashion Design and Product Development. I am currently undergoing plant training at MAS Active - Linea Intimo. I always love to research on different subjects and get inspiration for my designs and this helps me to enhance the diversity in my designs. I'm glad I decided to take part in this competition.



Nilanka Rathnayake

I have a passionate love for designing and modelling. I ventured into this direction as a hobby and this was my first attempt at a competition. I feel I can do remarkably well in this field. It is indeed great on the part of the Sunday Observer and Singer to organise the event because, it gives the young an opportunity to showcase their talents.



Shammi Kathriarachchi

Fashion has a new life every day and I like to fill my life with colours and new shapes. I was keen in taking part in the contest because I'm currently studying at the Singer Fashion Academy and my favourite category is casual wear. In my mind's eye I visualise a lot of different styles in this area and I thought it will be great to participate in this fashion design competition. I'm a past pupil of St. Paul's Girls School, Milagiriya.

Vote count...

1. Minuni Jayawardene	5124
2. Nilanka Rathnayake	4872
3. Adeesha Gamage	4861
4. Indeewari Manchanayake	4511
5. Thushani Rodrigo	3973
6. Subhani Piyarathne	3892
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