



Twenty four finalists vie for award



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The excitement was intense last Sunday when the semi final was on. The buzz in the green room was chaotic what with the contestants getting their models and themselves ready for the catwalk that will take them through to the final. Twenty four happy finalists were chosen by the panel of judges comprising

Adishika Rodrigo, Raffalla Fernando, Michael Wijesuriya, Dulip de Alwis, G.T.H. Fernando, Suzette Schokman, Achini Raneweera and Kumudu Amerasinghe. The contestants big day will be on August 25 and the lucky winner will be sashed as the Designer of the Year 2013. Make sure you are present at the Grand Oriental Hotel, Colombo to cheer your favourite to be the winner.

The last minute rush for the tickets is now on. Check in at Singer Mega, Colombo 4, Semage Mirrors, Sterling Flowers, Mal Key Rent a-Car and Imagine Works or contact

0777305771. Remember that all ticket holders can enjoy themselves on August 25, the day of the final, at B 52 Cats Dance at the Grand Oriental Hotel. What's more you have the opportunity to patronise B 52 on the day before the final as well as on August 24. The sponsors of this year's spectacular pageant of the Designer of the Year are the Grand Oriental Hotel, The official hotel, Sterling Flowers, Semage Mirrors, Mal Key Rent-a-car, Beautine Astron, Furnifits, Ferla Apparel Tec, Rite Shu, Imagine Works and Elephant House the official beverage partner with Kit Cola.

Panel of Judges

Adishika Rodrigo DP Fashion Designing and Textile Forum Fashion Tec... **Raffalla Fernando** graduate of International Academy of Design (AOD) and HND Jewellery Designing (JCAD) Jewel CAD... **Michael Wijesuriya** Fashion Designer and Make up artist, **Dulip de Alwis** ACHSGA and General Manager, Grand Oriental Hotel, Colombo, G.T.H. **Fernando**, CEO Trainers and Consultants in Fashion Clothing, **Suzette Schokman** graduate of Lanka. Institute of Fashion Designing and holds the Textile Degree from the Moratuwa University, **Achini Raneweera** M.A. University of Westminster London UK, BDES Hons University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, and Lecturer at the at the Department of Moratuwa and **Kumudu Amerasinghe**, Managing Director Cats Creative House and Publication and Chairperson Cats Designer, Circle.



Contestents receiving their shoes from Rite Shu

Who will be the lucky winner?



H.G. Irosha Fathima Lakshika Thilini



Isham Divya Shyamalee Thushani Malkanthi Indeewari Fincga Gayeni Lakmini
Surangika Keshali Nilanka Dhanuska Amrin S. Gokula Sangeeth Subhani Sachini
Sripali Adeesha Surani Aparna Savithri Minuni Wasana Shammi Erandi



From the semi final catwalk

Finalists for Designer of the Year 2013

Sulochana	Malkanthi	Nilanka
Subhani	Lakshika	Shammi
Wasana	Sripali	Aparna
Sachini	Amrin	Adeesha
Gayani	Minuni	Thushani
Savithri	Divya	Keshali
Thilini	Erandi	Danuska
Irosha	Isham	Fathima



Vote count

1. Adeesha Gamage	27,104
2. Minuni Jayawardene	26,991
3. Nilanka Rathnayake	24,873
4. Subhani Piyarathne	15,763
5. Indeewari Manchanayake	10,316
6. Thushani Rodrigo	7,802
7. Sangeeth de Silva	5,793
8. Lakmini Gamachchi	4,499
9. Dhanuska Weerakoon	3,407
10. D.Wasana Dissanayake	3,288
11. Thilini Solangaarachchi	1,394
12. H.G. Irosha Lasanthi	1,016

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