



## News Release

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# Six Cuesta Students Earn Accolades at Fashion Symposium in LA

Six Cuesta College students were recognized at the annual, statewide Fashion Symposium at the California Market Center in Los Angeles for their original works.

**Hannah Loomis** and **Emily Traver** placed first and second out of 46 entries in the Historical and Cultural Design Influences presentation board category. Entries in this category had to include a photograph of a fashionable garment worn today and trace its historical and cultural origins with photographs or illustrations linking it to a garment worn prior to 1900. Each winner received a Design Scholarship Award valued at \$250 and \$200 respectively.

The team of **Alex Collins**, **Ellen Beebe** and **Andria Shearer** earned an honorable mention for their construction of a denim bustier in the Denim Deconstruction Competition. The students had 30 minutes, limited materials and no sewing machines to turn a pair of denim jeans into a new creation.

**Monique Smaby** was honored when her short evening dress was prejudged and selected for admittance into an exclusive fashion show at the Symposium.

The Fashion Symposium is an annual event held primarily for fashion students from community colleges throughout California. More than 1,000 students, faculty, friends and family attended the event which included student competitions, activities and special industry presenters.

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