

FASHION

YOUNG FASHION DESIGNERS SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS

FINALISTS attended the Young Fashion Designer UK (South) awards at Kent College Pembury for the judging stage and awards ceremony.

The event followed selection from 172 entries from students attending schools in the South region, stretching from Oxford to London and the South East.

Each student displayed their selected work and was interviewed by a panel of judges with professional experience from across the fashion and textiles industries.

The judges included experts in costume design, knitwear design, womenswear buying, fashion journalism and fashion marketing, as well as broadcaster and 'Inside Out' presenter Kaddy Lee-Preston.

Students had the opportunity to speak to the judges and gain

valuable knowledge and advice in preparation for future careers in fashion and design.

While the judging took place, finalists participated in a variety of workshops including shirt manipulation and fashion illustration and listened to 2012 A2 Level winner Vicky Rukin, who returned to pass on her experiences since winning the YFD UK and starting university studying textile design.

The afternoon awards ceremony paid tribute to the hard work and exceptional talent on display by each of the finalists and their teachers.

The three winners were Laura Salter (AS 1st prize winner Kent College), Alicia Johns (A2 1st prize winner Hillview) and Anne Graveson Hepworth, (GCSE 1st prize winner, Burgess Hill school for girls).



Finalists and judges line up for a photocall at the event at Kent College Pembury