

#SEWYOUR STYLE 2018

Sew Your Style was a chance for dressmakers to show their unique style and creativity at The Creative Craft Shows this summer. We round up this year's results

The Creative Craft Show competition Sew Your Style ran during the first half of the year in association with us here at The Pattern Pages giving dressmakers the chance to show us their sewing skills, as well as win some amazing prizes worth £2500 from our generous sponsors including sewing machines, sewing patterns, pattern printing vouchers, haberdashery hampers and gorgeous fabrics!

Judging Day!

Congratulations to all 40 of the finalists that were shortlisted. Their garments made it to the gallery and exhibition at The Creative Craft Show in June. We invited three sewing industry experts along to judge the 10 finalists from each category. Spending the first day of the show, the judges had a tough morning looking at the garments inside and out, and deciding which ones would win Sew Your Style 2018. We have to say it was a close call! The competition encouraged 130 sewers to enter, which was a wonderful result for this new national competition, and lots of visitors came to look at the gallery to see all of the amazing makes.

Here are the winners of #SewYourStyle2018



From left to right: Alison Smith from School of Sewing, Caroline Smith from Sew La Di Da Vintage and Jules Fallon from Sew Me Something

VINTAGE



Gillian Groom

1ST
GILLIAN GROOM
(Green polka dot tiered dress)

2ND
PATRICIA CIMINI
(Pink coat with green decorative trim)

3RD
ADELLE ROWLAND
(Brown/orange dress)

JUDGES CHOICE
TAMMI VINNICOMBE- RICHARDS
(Brown floral dress)

REFASHION

1ST
SILVANA BAEZ
(Blue black pleated halterneck dress)

2ND
SARAH KLEIN
(Cream jacket with green leaves)

3RD
ANNE ZARB
(Denim embroidered jacket)

JUDGES CHOICE
LUCKY AKINOLA
(Yellow jacket with black trim)



Silvana Báez

ALL IN THE DETAIL



Kanok on Ripley

1ST
KANOK-ON RIPLEY
(Midi tailored black taffeta dress)

2ND
SOPHIE SANTOIRE FURBEYRE
(Decorative trim top and green skirt)

3RD
LUCKY AKINOLA
(Blue cocktail dress)

JUDGES CHOICE
ANNE ZARB
(Purple floral dress)



Lucky Akinola



ACCESSORISE

1ST
CLAIRE MIDDLETON
(Bag with elephant appliqué)

2ND
KRISTINA RIAUKE
(Denim necklace)

3RD
ANNE ZARB
(Evening bag)

JUDGES CHOICE
CLAIRE MIDDLETON
(Bag with elephant appliqué)



Sarah Klein

BEST IN SHOW



Kristina Riauke

Sarah Klein won Best in Show for her lovely green leaf jacket made from a pair of curtains in the refashion category.



A SPECIAL MENTION

We got to meet some wonderful people and the presentation for the prizes was a chance for us all to come together and tell our different sewing stories.

"My lovely wife Anne was so excited about it all because she loves patterns and fabrics. The competition meant so much to her because she had been very ill for the last 15 months and it inspired her to start sewing again, and took her mind of all the horrible treatments she had gone through and made her feel like herself again. It was so nice meeting lovely people and we look forward to seeing everyone again at the next competition," commented Art Zarb, husband of Anne who won a prize in three of the categories.



Anne Zarb's jacket



Laura Henery

The prizes were as follows:

1ST PRIZE

- VINTAGE - Sewing Quarter hamper
- REFASHION - Janome 9300DX overlocker
- ALL IN THE DETAIL - Janome M200QDC sewing machine
- ACCESSORISE - Janome M100 Sewing machine

2ND PRIZE (all categories)

4m of fabric from a choice of current/future ranges of Art Gallery, Modelo and cloud 9 fabrics courtesy of Hantex

3RD PRIZE (all categories)

A choice of 12 sewing patterns from New Look

JUDGES CHOICE (all categories)

£50 vouchers on digital pattern printing from Netprinter



THE GOOD NEWS IS.....

The competition is moving and next year the winners will be announced at Sewing For Pleasure. So if you didn't manage to enter this year, get your sewing machines at the ready for 2019 – more details will be available in the autumn!

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