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Winners all

The walks that rocked!

Cheers rent the air, cameras clicked in a frenzy and the music rose to a crescendo as students put forward their best foot on the ramp.

The seventh edition of the 'Deccan Herald Metrolife Fashion Show', presented by TRENDS, which took off on Saturday at CMR Law School, was a mix of style, glitz, creativity and attitude.

Themes displayed by students ranged from women empowerment and elements of nature to the occult.

The first prize of the North Zone preliminary round was won by Army Institute of Fashion and Design in a battle of imagination and pizzazz.

The college showcased a collection based on women who are breaking stereotypes. The stylish outfits, which combined camouflage print with plain brown drapes and extravagant headgear, drove the crowd crazy.

The second prize was won by St Joseph's College (Autonomous) who presented checks with a twist. They brought out unique variations of capes, dresses and gowns in check print and had

the audience on their feet. The Vogue Institute of Fashion Technology won the third prize for their collection titled 'Silhouettes of Oracles' that saw black and dark maroon creations embellished with quirky jewellery.

The fourth prize went to CMR University-City campus who showcased creative outfits in black and orange. CMR Institute of Technology won the fifth prize for their silvery creations combined with flowery headgear and quirky props modelled on the theme of silence.

The other colleges too impressed with their creativity and eclectic designs. Baldwin Women's Methodist College put up a good show with novel sari-based outfits paired with silver jewellery. Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College



different dances from the different parts of the country while another group jived to a mix of popular Bollywood tracks.

A hip-hop team from St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), who called themselves 'J-Street', brought down the house with their groovy footwork.

DJ Raz added to the ambience with his peppy tracks and emcee Shoab kept the crowd entertained.

The event saw Sandalwood actors like Suraj Gowda, Krishi Thapanda, Meghana Raj come together along with actor and model Rahul Rajasekharan and designer Runa Ray to judge the show.

While presenting the awards, Meghana



COOL CMR Institute of Technology bagged the fifth place.

JUBILANT The team from Army Institute of Fashion and Design walked away with the first prize in the North Zone.

TRENDS

for Women gave a twist to regular business outfits for women by coming out with creative garments that were a combination of plain brown and flowery prints. Jain University went with funky clothes in khaki, olive

and other neutral colours while Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies put up a royal show with silken outfits teamed with exotic eyewear.

Cambridge Institute of Technology came out with an innovative line comprising glow-in-the-dark outfits. Some like Sindhi College,



ELATED The team from Vogue Institute of Fashion Technology won the third prize.



TRIUMPHANT St Joseph's College (Autonomous), the second prize winners.



VICTORIOUS The team from CMR University-City Campus which won the fourth place.

CMR National PU College and CMR Institute of Management Studies opted for ethnic Indian attire that showcased the stunning heritage of our country.

Keeping the crowd entertained in between the event were dance and mime acts that pumped up the energy level. A mime team from CMR Institute of Management Studies performed a poignant piece on the dangers of substance abuse.

A dance team from the same college put forth an interesting display of the

reminisced about her own college days and praised the original designs and ingenuity of the students while Suraj stressed on the importance of participation.

The second preliminary round for colleges under the South zone will be held on August 26 at NMKRV College for Women, Jayanagar.

The grand finale will be held at Dayananda Sagar Institutions, Kumaraswamy Layout on September 2.

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Food trucks

New kids on the block



INNOVATIVE A view of the 'Pop1 Food Truck'.

Even with a plethora of options in the city, foodies never seem to get enough. That's probably a reason behind many food trucks being seen in various parts of the city nowadays.

Vishal Gupta, co-founder of 'Pop1 Food Truck', started the initiative a couple of months ago. Stationed at Inorbit Mall, Whitefield, Vishal says,



POPULAR Customers at 'So-Fat's Dosas'.

khichdi' and 'Aloe vera halwa' amongst others. "It's seen a great response and we hope to continue spreading love through food," says Vishal.

Move to the other end of the city and you'll see 'So-Fat's Dosas' in BMT Layout. Sameer Sofat, the co-founder of the food truck, says, "I've always been interested in the culinary industry and I wanted to do something on my own. That's when I decided to merge the idea of South Indian and North Indian food and use 'dosa' as the base for all." The 'dosa sandwich' is one of their fast moving items. "It's never been done before and I'm glad people love it. Though we are based in BTM Layout, we usually move around the city, especially to apartments and IT parks," he explains.

Taking the food truck business to a whole new level is the team of 'Santiago Burritos'. Kruthi Seshachala, the co-founder says, "We started the food truck in January and we've also launched two standalone restaurants. We're taking the truck to Manipal soon." They serve Mexican cuisine like 'burrito', 'nachos', 'quesadilla' and even crepes and waffles. Kruthi says, "We serve at tech parks during the day and every evening on Indiranagar 100 Feet Road. Our food attracts a mix of professionals, bachelors and families." **Anila Kurian**



COORDINATED EFFORT The team of 'Santiago Burritos'.

"The idea of the food truck was to provide healthy food options for those who don't have the time to cook. Especially with the hectic schedule everyone has these days, I personally know how much one doesn't feel like going back home and cooking for themselves," he adds. 'Pop1 Food Truck' serves dishes like 'Thai curry', 'Whole wheat pasta', 'Masala dal

Hollywood calling

'Judi Dench makes you look good'



INTERNATIONAL DEBUT Ali Fazal

Actor Ali Fazal, whose last Bollywood release was 2016 film 'Happy Bhag Jayegi', says the slow pace of his career does not bother him.

The 30-year-old actor, who was part of popular films such as '3 Idiots' and 'Fukrey', says he has no godfather in the industry and is happy with the way things are turning out for him. Fazal says, "Doing less films

work and no one else's push," he adds. Fazal will next be seen in Hollywood project 'Victoria and Abdul'. The actor says that the West has realised that Indian actors have much more to offer than just dancing around trees.

"I never thought I would do something in Hollywood after I started with a series in the West, which was a small stint. But now it is great. Hollywood has realised that we do have actors and are not just mad about song and dance. Priyanka Chopra has already done well for herself."

The movie directed by

Stephen Frears also features Judi Dench. Sharing his experience of working with Dench, Fazal says, "She makes you look good. She is such a generous person to work with. You are constantly on your toes when you are working with someone of her stature."

The actor was speaking on the sidelines of the Lakme Fashion Week Winter/Festive 2017, where he walked for designer Asa Kazingmei, whose show was presented by Johnnie Walker. Fazal's next Bollywood venture is 'Fukrey Returns' which he says 'is ten times crazier than the last film'.

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