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Yeovil College Business and Creative & Performing Arts Departments Present:

CHARITY ARTS AND FASHION SHOW

IN AID OF THE COLLEGE BURSARY FUND

Leonardo Building, Yeovil College

Fashion Show: 19th June 2009 at 8 pm
Arts Displays: 19th June 2009 from 6 pm

Fashion Show Tickets: £5 (Limited VIP Tickets available at £25 including Champagne, Canapés and entertainment)

Arts Displays: Free

Box Office: 01935 845312

COLLEGE STUDENTS STRUT THEIR STUFF FOR FOUNDATION BURSARY...

Yeovil College's Business and Creative & Performing Arts Departments have joined forces to present an end-of-year Arts and Fashion spectacular in aid of the Yeovil College Bursary Fund. One of the biggest dates in the Yeovil College calendar, the event will feature the creative talent of some of the College's top Art and Performing Arts students.

The Arts displays, which open at 6 pm on Friday 19th June, will feature work from BTEC National Diploma, A Level and Foundation Diploma students, who have used a range of media and forms to create an exceptional array of fascinating pieces. Displays will include fine art, photography, media, graphics, design, sculpture and ceramics, highlighting the skill and competence of the students involved. These displays will also be open from 10 am to 4pm every day from 22nd to 26th June 2009.

From 6.30 pm, student musicians and dancers will be performing outside the iconic Leonardo Building at the centre of the Mudford Road campus.

Starting at 8 pm, the highlight of the night will be a gala Fashion Show featuring exemplary, contemporary fashion designs from College students and pupils of Westfield and Buckler's Mead Community Schools on the themes of 'felt', 'plastics' and 'recycling'. The school pupils created their spectacular pieces during workshops held at the

College over the last few months, inspired by the work of designers including Bridget Riley, Paco Rabanne and Rai Kawakubo.

A number of local retailers have also generously supported the fashion show with pieces. They include ABC Dresses, New Look, Miss Selfridge and gentlemen's outfitters Frederick Mabb. The models' hair and make-up will be provided by Frederick's Hair Salon, who have also made a generous financial donation to the Bursary Fund. Students from the College's Hair and Beauty Departments will also be doing hair and make-up for the event.

Students from the Hospitality Department are also showing off their skills, providing refreshments and canapés.

The end-of-year Arts and Fashion show is supported by Aim Higher, which aims to highlight the opportunities opened up by Higher Education and available to those with the ability to succeed, regardless of an individual's background.

Art & Design Lecturer Clarissa Ready organised last year's highly successful show. She said *"I've been overwhelmed by the generosity and hard work of everyone involved this year and am particularly grateful to the local businesses who have supported us. The end-of-year Arts and Fashion show is a brilliant showcase for the talent of young people in the area and an excellent opportunity for the public to enjoy the result of all their hard work while supporting a very worthy cause. The Bursary Fund was created just four years ago and gives more than £3000 a year to support hardworking students to continue in education, when without the bursary they might not be able to. It can change the lives of young people and give them the opportunity to achieve in ways they never thought possible."*

Tickets are available at £5 each for the Fashion show, with VIP tickets including champagne and an impressive range of canapés for sale at £25 each. Entrance to the Arts displays is free. Call the Box Office now on 01935 845312.

For more about how you else you can support the Yeovil College Bursary Fund, or if you would like to make a donation please visit http://yeovil.ac.uk/bursary_foundation.

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