2024 TRASHION REFASHION SHOW SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

The 15th Annual Trashion Refashion Runway Show is open to all applicants. The 2024 show happens on Sunday April 7th at the Buskirk-Chumley Theater. Please note this is the day BEFORE the total solar eclipse in Bloomington.

Designs will be judged on originality, the amount of "unwanted" materials (at least 90%), completeness (a complete ensemble), and degree of transformation (modification of materials used in the design from their original purpose into wearable clothing).

Designs need to consist of at least 90% previously discarded materials diverted from the wastestream. This 90% does NOT need to include shoes and undergarments but it is highly desirable to avoid using newly purchased items wherever possible. Work must have been executed within the last 3 years and not previously shown in a juried competition.

Transformation is essential to all Trashion and Refashion designs. **Trashion** designs feature materials NOT INTENDED to be worn transformed into wearable items. Past years' shows included designs constructed from packing materials, video tape, venetian blinds, bottle and can caps, leather couches, and camp chairs. Fabrics from items such as tablecloths, curtains and upholstery are also included in the Trashion category. **Refashion** designs feature materials INTENDED to be worn such as graduation gowns, bridesmaid dresses and scarves that are transformed into items worn in UNINTENDED ways such as a dress made from scarves. Designs may include both Trashion and Refashion elements. Group submissions are encouraged!

The Trashion Refashion Show is a family event. Accordingly, designs and undergarments should provide adequate coverage of a model's body. Remnants of clothing fabric can be used to make portions of a design that hold design elements in place and/or help cover the model's body but should NOT be a major visual element of the design.

Designs should accommodate the clearance limitations of the Buskirk-Chumley Theater. The pathway for models includes 7 doorways and 2 sets of stairs. Doorways measure 79" high by 33" wide. Please note the doors at the rear of the theater are equipped with crash bars that reduce the doorway width to 30" at waist height. There is another tight spot at the top of the stairs leading off the stage that is also 33" wide.

All submissions must be made using EasyChair. Here is the EasyChair link https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=trashion2024. If you have submitted designs to prior shows your EasyChair login ID and password are still in effect. If this is your first time you will need to create a login ID and password. When completing your submission, please enter a legal name and valid email address for the "Author" of the application. You will get a chance to give us a preferred name for the runway later in the application. Please indicate if you are affiliated with an organization or you may use "Trashion" as your organization. For the three required keywords, any three words will do, but we'd love to see what keywords you think best describe your garment. Your submission requires 4 images including raw materials used before

transformation and the front, back, and details of your design. (NOTE - if a designer is not able to provide an image of the specific raw materials in a design it is acceptable to submit an image of similar materials). An additional image is welcome and can be a sketch if that will help judges understand your design. If you can put your design on a model or dress form, it will help us better judge your design. Please do NOT include the designer's or model's face in images as we want the designs to be anonymous when judged.

Work must be created by the designer. If more than one person contributes to a design, the creators will be designated as co-designers. Designs submitted should be full ensembles. If they are not, please consider teaming up with another designer to complete an entire look. Each designer and co-designer are allowed to submit up to 3 entries.

Please see Designer FAQs for more information. Also, there is a Design Submission Checklist that identifies the information needed in your EasyChair submission.

Key dates:
Friday December 1st, 2023: First day to submit designs
Sunday February 18th, 2024: Last day to submit designs
Friday March 8th, 2024: Designers will be notified of the judging results
Sunday afternoon March 24th: Rehearsal. ALL designers and models are required to attend.
TBD: Orientation Zoom meeting for designers and models
Sunday afternoon April 7th, 2024: Dress rehearsal at the Buskirk Chumley Theater
Sunday evening April 7th 2024: The 2024 Trashion Refashion Runway Show at the Buskirk Chumley Theater

You will receive an email from EasyChair when you successfully submit your design.
All applicants will receive notification of acceptance or rejection by March 8th, 2024.

If you have ANY questions, please email contact@bloomingtontrashion.org.

Thank you for your participation in Trashion 2024 and best of luck!

The Bloomington Trashion Steering Committee