

# Let the frockfest begin



Fashion Week Veteran Alex Perry's Arabian princess-themed show will be the biggest in RAFW history

The catwalk will come alive next week as Rosemount Australian Fashion Week (RAFW) celebrates 15 fabulous years.

Designers including Lisa Ho, Zimmermann, camila and marc, Nicola Finetti, Jayson Brunson, Alice McCall and many others will show their new collections.

Each year, international guests jet in for the frockfest. And 2010 seems to be the year of the photo-blogger, with Scott "The Sartorialist" Schuman, Garance Dore, Tommy Ton and Susie Buble expected to be seated front row, camera in hand.

This year, opening show honours go to Lisa Ho.

"This season I'm going back to where I started with a myriad of prints. There is a polish and sophistication with this collection that I feel is right for now", Ho said.

Ksubi will close Fashion Week, with the collection titled "One via zero", in a show styled by the internationally-renowned Brana Wolf.

Alex Perry's show will

mark a special milestone - 20 years in business. His Arabian princess-themed show will be the biggest in RAFEW history.

Of the collection, he said: "The designs this year follow the path of delicate tulle fabrics, bespoke lingerie foundation, tiered skirts, voluminous sheer ruffles, luxurious jersey and asymmetrical necklines."

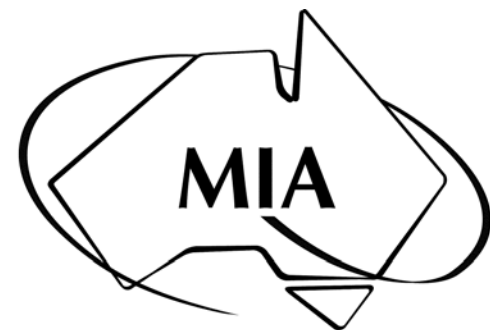
More than 1000 guests will witness the spectacular show as 40 models strut down a catwalk at a Fox Studios venue.

Fresh talent will also be featured when recent fashion graduates from the Fashion Design Studio show their collections: Caroline Fuss, Elliot Ward-Fear, Nicholas Christensen and Christopher Dobosz.

Fashion Design Studio's list of alumni include Akira Isogawa, Nicky Zimmermann, Alex Perry and Lisa Ho.

Other shows to look out for are Dion Lee, Romance was Born, Lucette, Aurelio Costarella and Christopher Esber.

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## MIGRATION AGENT CLIENTS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH STUDY

Have you used a migration agent?

The Migration Institute of Australia (MIA) invites people who have employed a Registered Migration Agent (RMA) in the past two years to participate in a research study. The MIA wants to understand what contributes to a good or bad experience when using an RMA, with the findings to be used to guide the professional development of migration agents, as well as improve the experience of migrants in the future.

The MIA is interested in hearing from temporary or permanent migrants who received their visas within the past two years. Family sponsors of family visa holders (spouse, child, parent, remaining relative, et al) are also invited to participate. People selected to join this study will be asked to participate in one 60-90 minute in-person interview or group discussion (to be conducted in English), and will receive a generous financial incentive for their participation.

The research study will take place in central Sydney and Melbourne during the first two weeks of June. An independent research company, THINK: Insight & Advice Pty Ltd will conduct the interviews and/or discussions, and all information gathered will be kept strictly confidential.

To express your interest in taking part in this important research project, please email MIA Research Officer Pamela O'Neill on [pamela.oneill@mia.org.au](mailto:pamela.oneill@mia.org.au) or phone at 02 9279 3140.

# Shrinkage over 50 years

OVER 50 years, the plan for the Super Centre above Hurstville railway station shrank.

Conceived in 1958, the project struck financial problems and there was an ownership change before work started in 1963.

It was intended that the development be 10 storeys high.

The first stage was to include railway station access and shopping concourse, with more shops, professional offices and home units to be added in two further stages.

However, it never grew beyond the building which opened in 1965. Since then, various plans to extend it have failed to win approval, or lapsed.

However, a \$15 million renovation was completed in 2008 and the centre



Scaled down: Today's version

was renamed Hurstville Central.

Later that year, shopkeepers were concerned when the owner, Cerno, attempted to sell the centre.

It was withdrawn when no buyer was found.

George Epanomatis, whose family has operated the Centre Deli Cafe since 1976 said the centre had more more lively since the refurbishment.

Mr Epanomatis said shopkeepers were not aware of any further plans to sell the centre, but that it was possible with the improvement in



Long term: George Epanomatis, whose family has been in the centre for 34 years.

the economy.

When it was offered for sale in 2008, the centre was expected to fetch about \$60 million.

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Super Size: The 1960s vision