



LIVING COLOUR

In the Resene NZ Fashion Tech Colour of Fashion competition, a fresh crop of talented designers showcase this season's palette of fashion colours from Resene to make stunning works of art in silk. The project – now in its sixth year – will see the students' work bringing vibrant colour to the charcoals and nudes on the runway at New Zealand Fashion Week later this month. We highlight a few of our favourite designs

In six years, since the Resene NZ Fashion Tech Colour of Fashion project began, more than 75 students of fashion have been catapulted into the big time – and the 2019 crop of fresh talent faced the judges in June.

Judging Day saw 39 stunning works of silk paraded by models in this season's palette of fashion colours from Resene. Crafted by the students into contemporary fashion looks with intricate designs, bold creativity and technical precision, the garments were put through their paces.

It's a project where Resene collaborates with NZ Fashion Tech giving undergrads in their final year of study at campuses in Auckland and Wellington a chance to be part of a professional fashion shoot, direct their own portfolio images from behind the camera and feature in a Resene online gallery.

This year's 17 finalists will attend New Zealand

Fashion Week on August 29, where the Resene Designer Runway will open with their designs in an explosion of colour and this year's winner will be announced.

The project will also see patterns taken to India by those students who have been awarded Prime Minister's Scholarships for Asia. The 15 students will take part in six weeks of collaborative learning where they will re-create the garments from a locally sourced silk sari. The works will then be debuted at a fashion show hosted by the Bannari Amman Institute of Technology at their campus in Sathyamangalam.

Karen Warman of Resene says, "We are proud of this project. It showcases 20 of our fashion colours at New Zealand Fashion Week while bringing visibility to fashion's exciting young talent."

Here, we showcase six of the project's colourful designs. >>

Walls painted in Resene Cut Glass, Resene Half Kumutoto, Resene Refresh, Resene Bianca, and floor in Resene Valour and Resene Alabaster – all from Resene ColorShops. Bianca chair from Matisse and Barcelona footstool from ECC.



A SENSE OF VALOUR

Bryony Acraman, 22, brought ancient armour, the story of *Mulan* and origami themes to her design in Resene Valour, developing an elegant contemporary dress with striking sculpted overskirt and subtle oriental feel.



Resene tip

Hands up who likes blue? You're in good company as it's one of the most popular colours around. Bold and bright or weathered and dusty, blue is the perfect recovery colour after a busy day.

SOCIAL MIXER

Simonne Denham, 26, was inspired by Nina Garcia who likes fashion to take women seamlessly from the office to cocktails. With Resene Fast Forward and Nina's words, Simonne created a look that was pin-point perfect.

Resene tip

As we grow up so too do our pinks. When light reflects off pink walls, it makes you look rosy and healthy – cheaper than a high-tech face cream.



Walls in Resene Rouge, Resene Gelato, Resene XOXO, Resene Alabaster and floor in Resene Fast Forward – all from Resene ColorShops. Chair from Matisse.

- Resene Rouge
- Resene Gelato
- Resene XOXO
- Resene Alabaster
- Resene Fast Forward

DEVIL IS IN THE DETAILS

Zoe Spooner, 49, weaves themes of tukutuku and origami together in her sophisticated dress in Resene Daredevil. Curves are to be celebrated says Zoe, mixing Māori patterns, flowers of Polynesia and origami shapes in the bustle at the back.

Walls in Resene Space Cadet, Resene Panorama, Resene Alaska and floor in Resene Daredevil and Resene Alabaster – all from Resene ColorShops. Cesar B outdoor stool (front), Cesar A outdoor stool (back), and Barceloneta chair all from ECC.



Resene tip

Opposites attract. If your space needs a punch of colour look to the opposite side of the colour wheel for the perfect complement.

- Resene Space Cadet
- Resene Panorama
- Resene Alaska
- Resene Daredevil
- Resene Alabaster

Resene
Wild ThingResene
MoonlightResene
BFFResene
Alabaster

Walls in Resene Wild Thing, Resene Moonlight, Resene Alabaster, and Floor in Resene BFF and Resene Alabaster – all from Resene ColorShops. Folia 55 chair from ECC and Matrix chair by Tokujin Yoshioka from Kartell.



UNFOLDING OF A FRIENDSHIP

Aisha Boulares, 20, brings imagery of friendship – a flower transforming from bud to bloom. In Resene BFF, this beautiful dress portrays the protection of a bud in its bodice and cuffs while the gradual opening-up of a friendship is seen in the flow of the skirt and sleeves.



Resene tip

Enjoy a happy holiday vibe all year round by bringing the sunshine indoors with tropical yellows and oranges.

BEYOND THE SURFACE

Deepal Pardiwala, 20, found inspiration in her colour Resene Moana, citing poetry: 'sometimes our strengths lie beneath the surface.' Capturing the contrasts of the sea, pleated ruffles (waves) and simplicity (calm waters) are depicted in this glorious work.



Resene tip

Pastels all have one thing in common – white. Our bright light will bring out the sweet side in pastels. Opt for greyer, smokier versions to avoid sweetness overload.

Resene
PeranoResene
Hawkes
BlueResene
PortageResene
MoanaResene
Alabaster

Walls in Resene: Perano, Resene Hawkes Blue, Resene Portage, Resene Alabaster and floor in Resene Moana and Resene Alabaster – all from Resene ColorShops. Knoll Shultz 1966 outdoor dining chair with arms from Studio Italia.



