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NUS, Faculty of Education (FOE) Hosts "Trashion & Refashion Show"

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National University of Samoa's Faculty of Education (FOE) recently hosted a unique fashion design exhibition titled "Trashion Refashion Show". The show highlighted the creative talent and environmentally conscious approach of FOE's textile technology courses, HFT004 and HFT101. The exhibition was held at the Niule'a Conference Room and showcased innovative, sustainable, and visually appealing designs created by students using waste materials.

The "Trashion Refashion Show" challenged students to create new and innovative designs using various waste materials. To achieve this, the competition was divided into three categories: (1) Plastic Trash Bags, (2) Plastic Packaging and Products, (3) Paper Trash. The designs were judged based on creativity, sustainability, functionality, and aesthetics. The show was amazing in its approach to fashion design, as it showcased the potential of waste materials and highlighted the importance of reducing waste pollution.

Professor Tuifuisa'a Patila Malua Amosa also commended the faculty and students' hard work in making the event possible. According to Laeimau Tauti Peru Tugaga, the textile technology courses' lecturer, using waste materials will help reduce littering and maintain cleanliness in the NUS Campus environment.

Afioga Tavu'i Dr. Niusila Faamanatu-Eteuati, Dean of FOE, expressed her admiration for the students' work, noting that she was in awe of the innovative talents and resilience showcased by students at the exhibition. She also acknowledged the support provided by the lecturer, Laeimau Tautī Peru Tugaga, and the students' families.

The "Trashion Refashion Show" was a success and demonstrated the creativity and environmental consciousness of the NUS - Faculty of Education Textile Technology courses' students. It is also a reminder to the attendees of the importance of sustainable practices and



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innovative approaches in recycling and reusing discarded materials which are valuable resources that can benefit the society.



Group Photo: Afioga Tavu'i Dr. Niusila Faamanatu-Eteuati, Dean of FOE & Judge, Student Models (2), Susuga Laeimau Tauti Peru Tugaga (Course Lecturer), Susuga Fa'alogo Fitiao Teleuli Leituaso-Mafoa, Afioga Sala Dr. Saili Aukuso (Judge), Dr. Taralina Gaee (Judge)





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Sheet Design: Using pieces of wasted fabric.



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