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Fashion revival

Hackney finalist Charlie Iboullie

YOUNG designers have exhibited their own designs inspired by the Renaissance and medieval eras.

Over 100 art and design A-level and BTEC students – including eight from Hackney – were selected to take part in 10 weeks of workshops with fashion professionals and practising designers.

During the FAD Fashion Futures 2 project, the students conducted research in the Victoria & Albert Museum's new Renaissance and medieval galleries.

They produced technical drawings and created original garments.

The judges' favourite young designers were

selected for the next stage – a week-long summer school at The University of East London.

Charlie Iboullie, 17, from Hackney Community College, and Misbah Siddique, 17, from Clapton Girls' Technology College will join 23 others from across London and Manchester to present their designs on the London Fashion Week catwalk in September.

In 2009, former BSix College student Aminata Kulufua took part in the catwalk final. She was subsequently offered a two-week placement with the design team at River Island and is now studying Fashion at Hertfordshire University.