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Talent in Newham is no FAD



Talented Newham students Miriam Mwangi, 18, from NewVic, Thoffa Khanom, from Newham College, and Prash Murale Etharan, from St. Angela's & St. Bonaventure's, have made it to the finals of this year's Fashion Futures 2 (FF2).

The trio beat hopefuls from 29 different schools to be among 23 lucky finalists who will take part in an intensive FAD (Fashion Awareness

Direct) Summer School at Central Saint Martin's College of Art and Design. They'll have five days to develop and make their final garments for the 2009 FAD Junior Awards and catwalk show. This year's credit crunch-inspired brief asked students to look back to the ideals of the 20th century arts and crafts movement to create handcrafted garments with a contemporary twist.

As well as showcasing their designs on the catwalk, the 23 finalists will also benefit from a unique industry programme with visits to the head offices of FAD industry partners River Island, John Lewis and leading trend forecaster, WGSN.com. Keep reading the Newham Mag to see how they fare in the finals.