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WorldSkills: Made to Measure Final 2008

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In a competition culminating in a close final with just 2 points difference Katy McGuirk, Huddersfield University and Sophie Wilett, Central Saint Martins were jointly awarded gold medals at this month's WorldSkills UK Made to Measure 2008.



Picture above:
Gold Award Winner, Sophie Wilett, Central Saint Martins



Picture above:
Gold Award Winner, Katy McGuirk, Huddersfield University

Faced with a brief of 'Outerwear for 21st century adventurers' the 'live final' took place at Northumbria University. The six finalists battled for the prize by cutting, sewing and constructing a parka jacket in a mere two days. The youngsters were judged on strict UK skills criteria from the accuracy of their pattern cutting to their innovative design and technical drawing qualities.

The winners were announced at a reception at the Northumbria School of Design on 7th September and the joint gold and one bronze winner, Richard Maynes from Somerset University were presented with their awards. Facing a panel of judges including the UK designer and former Fashion Fringe winner, Gavin Douglas and UK Skills training manager Victoria Mawhinny the finalists competed for the gold.

Managed by both UK Skills and educational fashion charity FAD (Fashion Awareness Direct) the Made to Measure competition gives up and coming talent the opportunity to showcase their skills in the presence of industry experts. The brief for the next UK Skills Made to Measure competition will launch on the WorldSkills UK website in October 2008.

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