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Fash Bash-mania

It was called "The Fantasy," a runway spectacular presented by Hudson's and the Founders Junior Council of the Detroit Institute of Arts at the Fox Theatre on Aug. 5.

And "fantasy" it was, with fire-eating entertainers, tumblers flying across the stage and courtiers putting themselves in compromising positions while models and professional dancers in fall '92 costume-like fashions pranced and danced the runway. Is this a Broadway production or a Detroit fashion show?

The largest fund-raiser for the Detroit Institute of Arts, the 13th annual Fash Bash brought more than 3,000 supporters to the breathtaking theatrical spectacle. The show included entertainment by world-famous juggler Michael David. And, of course, the offstage

fashion extravaganza was just as exciting as the catwalk review.

The catwalk story: Be ready to play "dress up" this fall. The fashion news included lots of fringe leather and suede "western wear," gangster pinstripe "men's suiting (for women)," wild animal jungle prints, and '40s Hollywood glamour.

More than 900 partygoers paid the extra price to attend the Auction Patron Party and Afterglow at the neighboring State Theatre, which included bon vivants from Buster's Bay, Juliette's Cuisine, Manuela's, Machus and Ristorante DiModesta.

Edward Hogikyan, Mimi Dani Strek and Tom Makasot co-chaired the big bash with Marl D'Alto and Brenda Rosenberg as honorary advisory board chairwomen. Committee chairmen and chairwomen included Joe Walker, Carol Chalton, Mark Nelther-

cut, Charlie Polzin, Carolyn and Peter Levin, Grace Piku, Colleen Rohar, Dave Pittman, Robin Polzin, Brian Strek, Vivian Day, John Stroh III, Jimmy Schmidt, Ann Olson, Su Joliffe and Jonathan Boos.

Cash supporting the bash came from two major corporate benefactors: Health Alliance Plan and Northwestern Airlines.

The most outlandish and environmentally conscience outfit was worn by Sue Rathgeb of West Bloomfield. A floor-length cape was made of plastic tops from six-packs.

Sue was with Ronnel McDougal who works with her at Stage & Co. in West Bloomfield. Other Fash-Bash-goers were Diane Leone of Orchard Lake; Lisa Lapides of Southfield; Laura Linabury of Farmington Hills, and Colleen Caffery, Cindy Harris and Marilyn Waddell, all of West Bloomfield.

Auction excitement included the use of a castle in Italy for eight; meeting the cast and experiencing a live taping on the Fox Network set of "Married... with Children," and tickets and backstage passes for Lisa Minelli at the Fox in No-

vember.

Back to Adolfo

During a week of grand fashion celebration, distinguished fashion designer Adolfo came to Detroit to exhibit his fall collection for the Michigan Bach Festival annual benefit fashion show and luncheon at the Ritz-Carlton Dearborn.

More than 400 guests attended the runway rendezvous with Lorraine Schultz, general chairwoman, and Wally Prechter, benefactor chairman. General director Curtis Posuniak, Joan Sajewski, Betty Gerlach, Linda McIntosh, Jacqueline Mularoni, Connie Bazanski, Sue Nino, Rose Ficano, Ruth Fruehauf, Gillian vonDrehle, Millie Pastor and Anne Bielawski served on the steering committee.

Overheard during the show: "I have to go home and get out my animal print items from the back of my closet."

Special thanks to Betty Bright for her assistance with coverage of this week's Social Eyes.

■ "Entering the store surrounded by the fife and drum corps was majestic. This is a fantastic happening."

Shelly Cooper



Having fun: Harold and Ruth Tobias of West Bloomfield are among 1,500 guests at Neiman Marcus gala for Michigan Cancer Foundation, Michigan Opera Theatre and Cranbrook Educational Community.



Eye-catching garb: Turning heads in a multicolor sequin slip dress is Jackie Coburn of West Bloomfield.

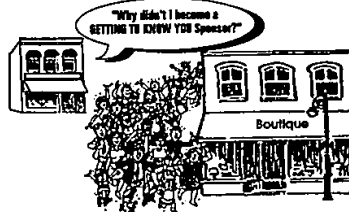


Fash Bash: Gathering at extravaganza are Marilyn Waddell of West Bloomfield (left), Colleen Caffery of West Bloomfield; Carolyn Lavie, chairman of patron party, and Cindy Harris of West Bloomfield.



Catwalk show: Cheryl Hall (left) of Saks Fifth Avenue, Adolfo, luncheon chairwoman Lorraine Schultz and Michigan Bach Festival general director Curtis Posuniak gather at the Ritz-Carlton Dearborn for a well-received Adolfo fashion show.

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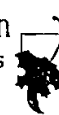


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