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RUNWAY IN THE REDWOODS: A NATURE-INSPIRED FASHION SHOW

at the University of California Botanical Garden at Berkeley

Saturday June 23rd, 2019 4pm-6pm

Berkeley, CA, May 28th, 2019 – The University of California Botanical Garden is pleased to announce **RUNWAY IN THE REDWOODS: A Nature-Inspired Fashion Show and Fundraiser**. Building on the UC Botanical Garden's *Green Gala* 2009 and 2011 events, which was featured in the Style section of the [San Francisco Chronicle](#), this year the Garden is reimagining the successful fashion show with new designers, a new theme, and a unique collaborative collection. The line-up of talented designers has come together as

Designers-in-Residence to create a collaborative fashion collection for this show, featuring botanical design themes, and the use of natural fibers and plant-based dyes. **RUNWAY IN THE REDWOODS** will take place on **Sunday, June 23rd, 4pm – 6pm with original garments, textiles, and sculptural adornments directly inspired by the collections of the UC Botanical Garden**. This year's Designers-in-Residence are creating pieces on the themes of **Seeds, Growth, Bloom, and Decay/Transformation**.

The **RUNWAY IN THE REDWOODS** show will highlight an array of the Bay Area's most talented established and emerging textile artists and fashion designers, including Erica Tanov and Christina Kim of Dosa Inc.

THIS YEAR'S DESIGNER-IN-RESIDENCE FASHION SHOW PARTICIPANTS:

Kristine Vejar

Erica Tanov

Sierra Reading

Kenya Miles

Christina Kim

Aleishall Girard-Maxon

Angelina DeAntonis

Ashley Corso

The event will take place in the Botanical Garden's Mather Redwood Grove Amphitheater--literally a runway through the redwoods--with live music accompaniment, local artisanal wine, cocktails and appetizers. Pieces from the show, as well as other garments from the designers' fashion lines, will be available for purchase.

The Garden is proud to support plant-based design and innovation, as well as the dissemination of knowledge through exhibitions, workshops, and public programs year round. This new



Designer-in-Residence program and fashion show is an exciting extension of that work and showcases both the Garden's mission of promoting plant biodiversity and its educational offerings in ethnobotany (the study of the relationship between plants and people).

This unique fashion event is part of a broader [Year of Ethnobotany](#) celebration at the Garden that included a plant-based **Fiber & Dye** exhibition in March, monthly talks and workshops, and will culminate in October with a two-day **International Ethnobotany Symposium** (tickets available now).

All proceeds from the benefit event will support the Garden's living museum of plants and its mission of global biodiversity, conservation, and education.

Discover plant collections and fashion collections at the UC Botanical Garden **RUNWAY IN THE REDWOODS** fashion show and fundraiser.

EVENT INFORMATION

RUNWAY IN THE REDWOODS: A Nature-Inspired Fashion Show and Fundraiser

Saturday, June 23rd, 2019

Time 4-6pm

Tickets: \$85/\$75 Members

Wine, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres reception

Fashions available for purchase

<https://botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu/public-programs/redwood-runway>

ABOUT THE GARDEN

The University of California Botanical Garden is a non-profit, living-museum of plants with one of the most diverse collections in the world, including many rare and endangered plants.

Established in 1890, the Garden is open to the public year round and has over 11,000 different kinds of plants from around the world, cultivated by region in naturalistic landscapes over its 34 acres.

GARDEN INFORMATION

Location: 200 Centennial Drive, Berkeley, CA 94720-5045

Hours: Open Daily, 9am – 5pm

Website: botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu