

Jose Colon Future Model, Designer & Entrepreneur

FIT (The Fashion Institute of Technology) is a State University in New York based on art, business, fashion, design, mass communication and technology connected to the fashion industry.

While visiting FIT Museum we went to the Force of Nature fashion & textile history gallery and saw many different styles of fashion inspired by nature. Some of the work we've seen were made by skilled and talented fashion designers like Alexander McQueen, Rick Owens, Charles James, Pierre Hardy, Yves Saint Laurent and Dolce & Gabbana who were all well known for their brilliant work.





One of the designs that I found interesting was "The Science of Attraction" suit created by Yves Saint Laurent in 1972. It was my favorite color but for the theory behind which was inspired by Charles Darwin's conclusion that animals and humans had the same "taste for the beautiful".

I found this interesting because animals tend to be attracted to the vast colors of the other animal or the most alluring animal and humans tend to dress or act a certain way to attract someone and the suit is a bright lime green color which will most likely attract many people if worn. Another design that caught my eyes was "Physical Forces", a dress made by Saks Fifth Avenue in 1953 for it being inspired by physics, the study of matter & energy.

Saks found inspiration from a quote by Maria Mitchell the first female astronomer in the United States who stated that science is "not all mathematics, nor all logic, but it is somewhat beauty and poetry". The rhinestones on the dress depict stars, galaxies and other subatomic particles.



FIT Alumni at Rebagg with Jose

The fashion industry is a billion dollar enterprise devoted to making and selling clothes. It consists of many different careers like fashion design which fashion designers use their knowledge of design and technique to create sketches of fashion accessories. Fashion marketers are responsible for creating and identifying trends to sell the products. Fashion media which focuses more on the photography for magazines or any other media outlet. Then there's the fashion runway model who wears clothing creations made by fashion designers. Also, fashion editorial models focus more on high-end fashion and you will usually see them on the covers of magazines. The fashion industry today has become more competitive so sometimes getting a job in the industry can be stressful.



At the Fashion Show I was able to speak with some people affiliated with the industry and I was told it can be tough at times. So if it's something I really want to do I would need to take that into consideration, and just make a plan and stick to it.

The fashion industry is something I'm interested in because it's a way of expressing yourself through creating clothing and other fashion garments, I also aspire to become a model and an entrepreneur to own my own clothing brand one day.

Overall, going to New York was a very useful and convenient trip for me because now I have a clear idea of what to do and expect from my journey into the industry.





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