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## 2018 Taiwan Fashion Design Award Top 12 Finalists Revealed

Organized by Industrial Development Bureau, Ministry of Economic Affairs and executed by Taiwan Textile Federation (TTF), the top 12 finalists of the 32nd Taiwan Fashion Design Award (TFDA) have been revealed. There are a total of 426 people enrolled this year. The 12 collections will be presented on the runway at Taipei's Songshan Cultural and Creative Park within the Taipei IN Style exhibition in November, when the winners will be announced.

The jury of the preliminary selection is composed of fashion-related and cross-domain industry professionals, including Taiwan senior fashion designers, Shopping Mall General Managers, Director of TTF's Textiles and Fashion Design Department and Taiwan Chief Editor of ELLE Magazine. The judges said that TFDA is the earliest and most representative official fashion design competition in Taiwan and complimented on the high quality of this year's entries.

The themes of the works submitted this year range from movies, natural environment, and childhood memories. It is worth noting part of the contestants choose "repression and upset" as the inspirations, which reflects how the social environment influences the young generations. In terms of the new judging focuses starting from 2018: "creativity," "performance" and "sustainability," the contestants propose various approaches to express how the collections are related to these three aspects. Contestants apply performance fabric and emphasize on garments function of comfort. It is noticed that some contestants develop fabrics on their own, redesign or reuse materials. There are some creative items can be well-dressed on different occasions easily and can be long-term usage. The concepts and design details of the 2018 TFDA entries show great innovation and creativity of the young talents.

It is pleasing to see that performance fabrics have a wider range of applications this year, whether it is mixed and matched with street style, high fashion, or cultural elements, all above give consideration to both practice and creative add value. The judges also observe that nowadays online information leads to young designers easily absorb the popular trends from internet. Therefore, it is important to select the originality and individuality of the design style.

TFDA has been committed to discovering new talent for the industry in Taiwan since 1987. This year's TFDA is sponsored by Coddy Global Ltd, Eclat Textile Co., Ltd., Fortune Industrial and Commercial Development Foundation and Yi Jinn Industrial Co., Ltd., the total amount of prize reaches USD \$35,000 to encourage young designers to continue to dedicate themselves to fashion industry. The first prize is US\$10,000. The 2 winners of Second prize will receive US\$5,000 each and the 3 winners of Third prize, the Best Use of Fabrics, Best Pattern Making and Best Market Potential, will receive US\$3,000 each. Others finalists will all be bestowed USD \$1,000.



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## **2018 TFDA Finalists**

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R00142	Lam, Chin Chung
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