

What is Junk Kouture?



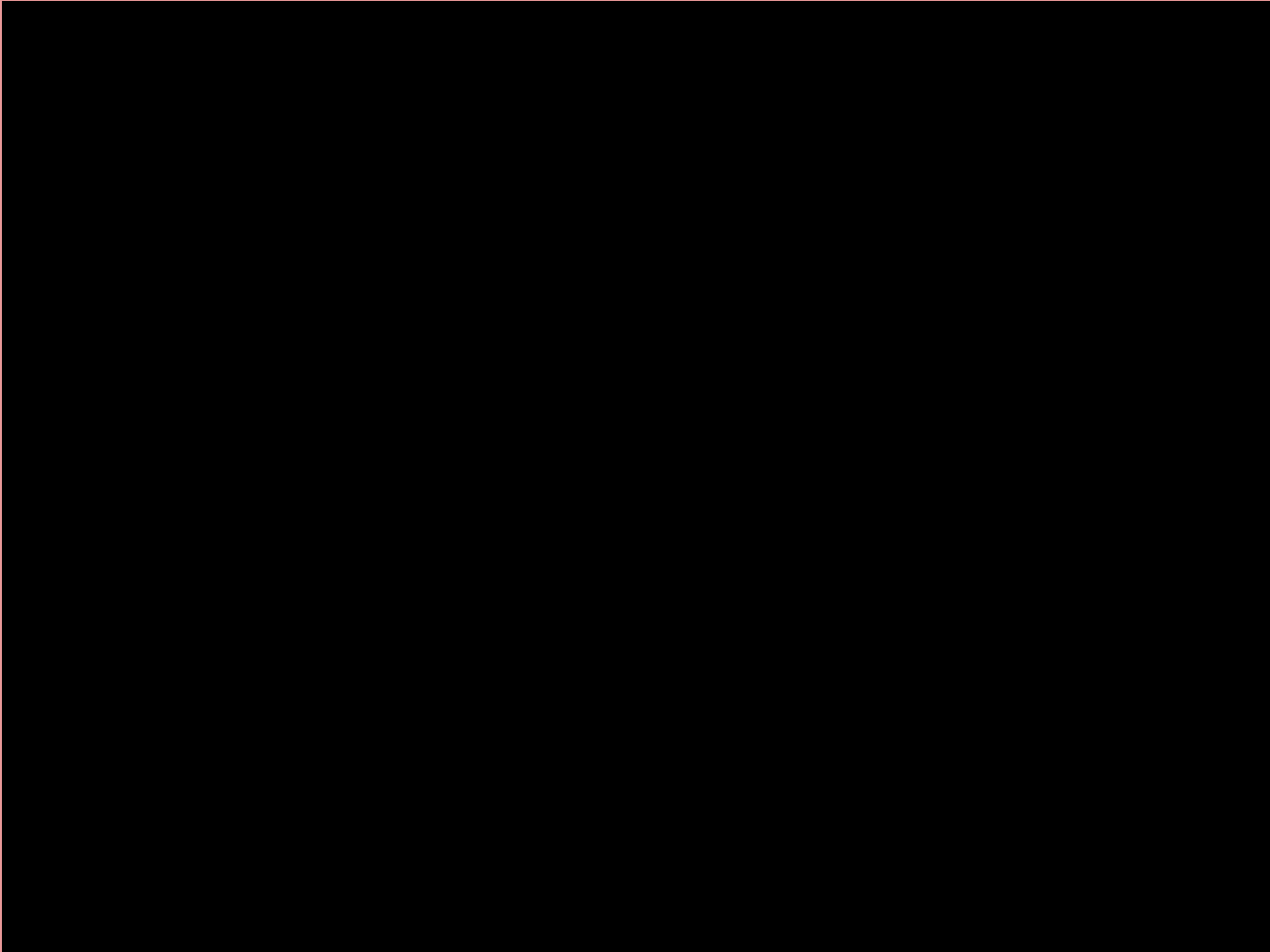
- Fashion Illustration and Advanced Fashion classes have been participating in a Global Competition called Junk Kouture since 2021.
- Junk Kouture is a creative platform that allows students to take recyclable and reusable materials, create mood boards, and sketch illustrations that ultimately end up Couture....Couture made of ...JUNK.
- Educating about the sustainability of the environment and creating global awareness about going green.

- **Lucky participants who have their design chosen as New York semi finalists are then moved to the finals for New York, where their piece of recycled Couture will get the high honor of being presented on the catwalk in the Spring. This year we have 4 semi finalists groups that were just announced! Finalists are then chosen to move ahead to the World Finals, where they walk the runway along with 9 other countries, 60 finalist groups in total, that is up to 180 STUDENTS WORLDWIDE!**
- **Students put in a great amount of time and they like the benefits as well as the challenges that come with this initiative.**
- **This year Junk Kouture brought on Microsoft and Best Buy as sponsors.**

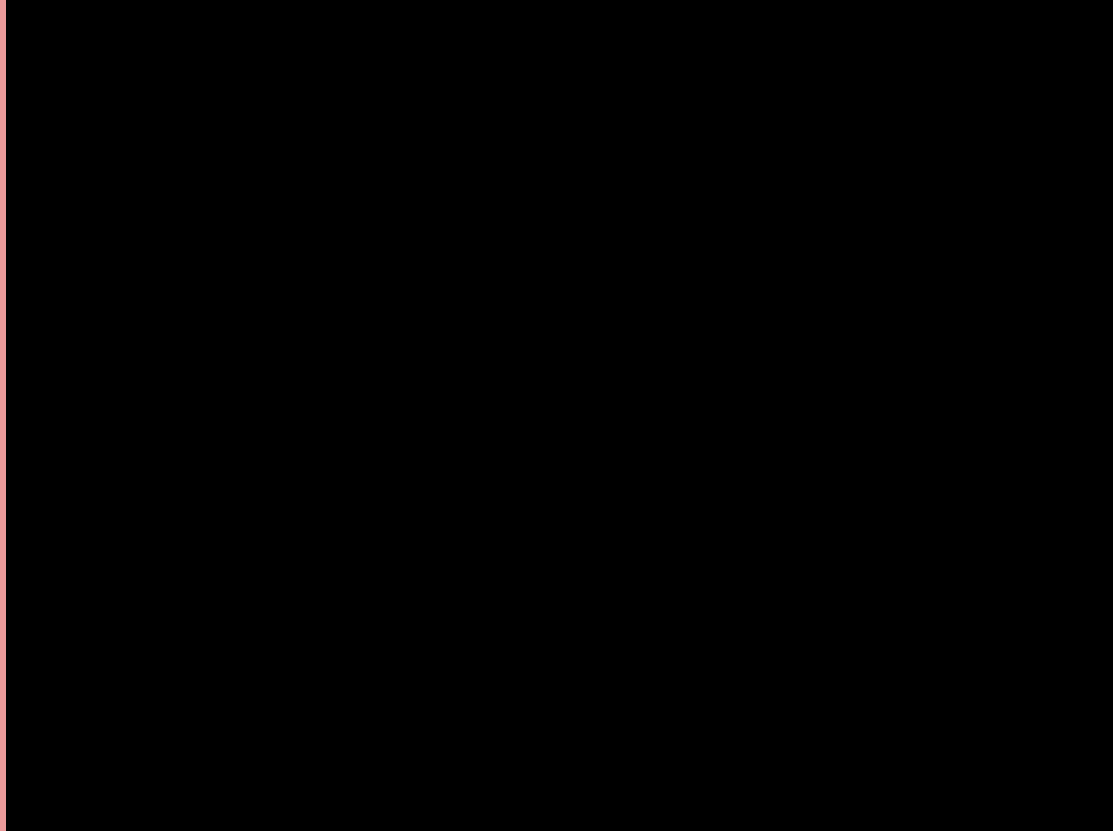
Microsoft and Best Buy Connection

- In partnership, Microsoft, Best Buy and Junk Kouture have put forth a marketing campaign that aims at driving awareness for a recycling offer at Best Buy and Microsoft that started April 8th on their social media accounts.
- Microsoft donated 5 Surface Pro 9 devices to Glen Cove High School on behalf of Junk Kouture.
- Students and teachers from participating schools were asked to capture content and document their production journey from conception to production, showcasing how technology helped unleash their creativity.

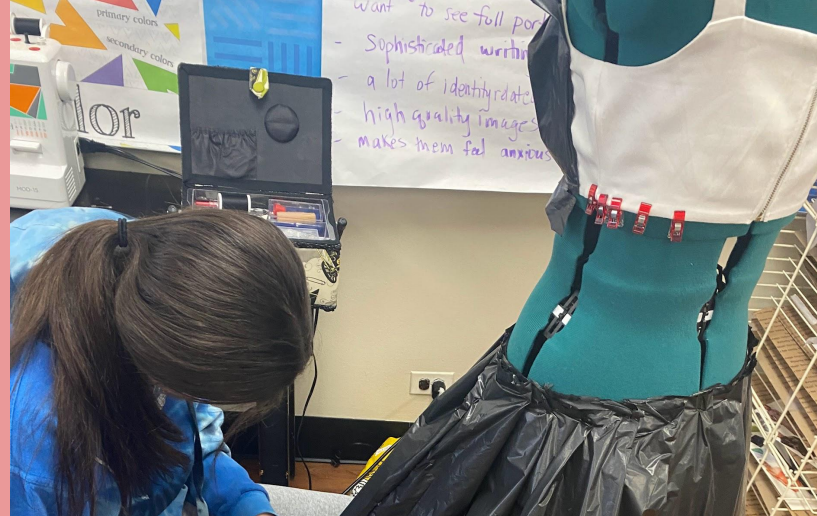
This is one of the advertisements currently on their social media accounts...



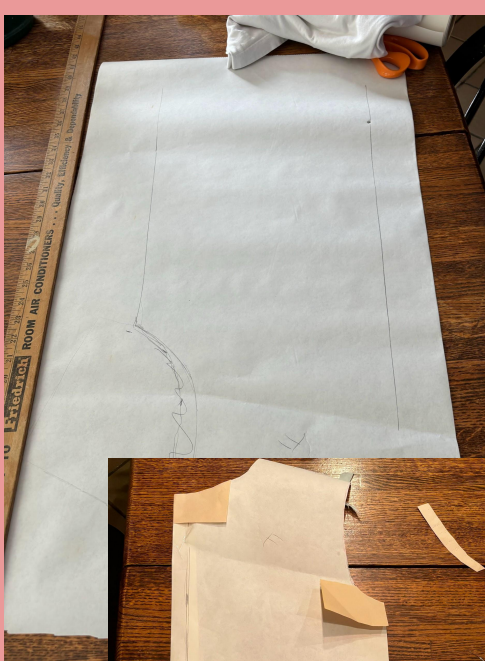
**Thanks to GCTV for helping with the following images and videos,
which are just a taste of the students' work...**





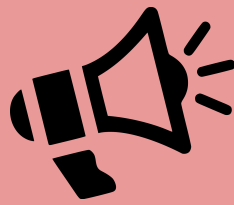












Tonight I would like to introduce these students. We also have some of our brave designers that will be modelling their designs.

~Alisson Escobar Aguilar wearing “Sea Maidens” *2024 NY Semi Finalists* designed together with Alisson Escobar Aguilar, Jackeline Ramos Garcia & Danieyella Gonzalez

~Valentina Canales wearing “CD Princess” designed together with Karla Molina, Valentina Canales & Aileen Castaneda

~ Vanessa Benitez wearing “Dark Eclipse” designed together with Mohit Koli, Roxanna Moza, and Vanessa Benitez

~Fernanda Carhuayo wearing “Trashy State of Mind” designed together Fernanda Carhuayo, Amy Cruz-Chacon & Adison Andreani



Natalia Monsale

Two Time World Finalist for Junk Kouture

2022 World Finalist in Abu Dhabi

2022 Climate Model for Junk Kouture

2023 World Finalist in Monaco

2024 The International Women's Forum Month Spokesperson

with Jeymee Gutierrez for “Sea Dream”

Shannen Garzon Coronell, Amayri Russell , and Cali Siegel for “New Year's Chic”

**Gianna DiMaggio, Eva Lema, and Niela Carmi Jean for “Historic Rewind”
*2024 NY Semi Finalists***



**Trinitee Chambers, Nyann Petit and Payton Horton for “Crystal Crusader”
*2024 NY Semi Finalists***

**Thomas Howard and Mario Mangano for “Blood Stained Poppy”
*2024 NY Semi Finalists***

***On a side note~ some of our Advanced Fashion Design students here this evening are wearing Pajamas that they made in class so they can get right to bed.**

