



## 2026 Taiwan Fashion Design Award General Rules



### **Organizer:**

Industrial Development Administration (IDA), Ministry of Economic Affairs

### **Executive Organizer**

Taiwan Textile Federation (TTF)

## DESIGN THEME

Self-selected design them for menswear, womenswear or for both. However, rating will focus on **CREATIVITY, SUSTAINABILITY, FUNCTION** and **PERFORMANCE** to encourage contestants to pay more attention on global environmental issues, promote sustainable fashion, and observe social trends in depth. Contestants can present innovative ideas connected to the above topics in different aspects of inspiration, design, fabric, material, pattern-making, printing and details, etc.

## ELIGIBILITY

No restriction on nationality.

## CONTEST SCHEDULE

### I. THE REGISTRATION starts from April 8 to June 30, 2026.

Finish registration by early June is strongly advised.

If submitting multiple collections, please register each with a different email account.

#### 1. ONLINE REGISTRATION

Please use Google Chrome browser to visit the official website <https://www.tfdaward.com/> and register online. Complete the required information and upload images online.

(1) **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

(2) **LETTER OF COMMITMENT**

(3) **PERSONAL INFORMATION PROTECTION COMMITMENT STATEMENT**

(4) **DESIGN DESCRIPTION**

Containing design theme, concept / inspiration and explanation of the connection between the design and *PERFORMANCE*, *SUSTAINABILITY* and *FUNCTION*. Entries may utilize Artificial Intelligence (AI) as a creative assistance tool. However, a description of the work must be provided, along with an explanation of the AI technologies used in the creation process, including disclosure of the extent and scope of AI usage. The work must comply with the spirit of originality, must not involve any form of dispute, and must not infringe on the intellectual property rights of third parties.

Information to fill:

- Theme
- Concept / Inspiration (in 360 characters)
- Please explain the connection between the design and *PERFORMANCE*, *SUSTAINABILITY* and *FUNCTION* (in 720 characters)
- Possible rival brands
- Suggested retail price: US\$\_\_\_\_\_per suit

#### (5) COLORED DESIGN SKETCHES OF 5 OUTFITS and FABRIC IMAGES

Please provide front- and back-view technical drawings combined into a single image per outfit. Indicate any special way of wearing if applicable. For each outfit, all fabrics used should be photographed together in a single image, or scanned/photographed and compiled into one image. Appropriate lighting or fabric draping may be applied to clearly present the true texture of the materials. Please follow the suggested format when preparing the colored design sketches and fabric images, as using other formats may result in image compression or distortion.

- **Orientation Settings:** vertical. If the original colored design sketch is horizontal, please rotate the image counterclockwise by 90° and upload it to the system in vertical.
- **Image size setting:** 18 cm (width) x 25.2 cm (length), or  
1063 pixels (width) x 1488 pixels (length).
- **Resolution setting:** 150 dpi (pixels/inch).
- **Image file format:** jpg or jpeg format only, with a file size less than 1MB.

#### (6) FINISHED OUTFIT IMAGES

Please provide photos of at least one finished outfit (total look) based on your colored design sketches. Each outfit should include one front-view photo and one back-view photo. Please follow the suggested format when preparing the photos, as using other formats may result in image compression or distortion.

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1063 pixels (width) x 1488 pixels (length).
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#### 2. Notification of Competition Entries Review by June 30.

After completing all required entry information, please click the "Notify for Entries Review" button in the registration system. Once the system confirmation message is displayed, the entry submission process is complete. A Registration No. (e.g., ROOO) will be issued, and a confirmation email will be sent to the registered email address.

## II. PRELIMINARY SELECTION: July 22.

12 finalists will be selected. The shortlist will be announced on the official website on the same day (Taiwan Time, GMT+8, evening).

### III. Submission of Finalists' Outfits and Related Matters

#### 1. Outfit Submission due on August 13.

2. Due to the tight schedule, it is strongly advised to ship the outfits by air freight promptly after the preliminary shortlist announcement to ensure timely delivery.

#### 3. Related Schedule:

- Studio photoshoot: August 27

International finalists may have their submission handled by a representative or the Executive Organizer.

- Fitting session: September 29 (tentative)

#### 4. Requirements and Arrangements During the Competition Stage

- Finalists are responsible for attending all the activities related to the final contest. In case of necessary absence, a deputy should be appointed to represent him / her.
- The organizer will have full authority to decide on model arrangements, hair styling, makeup, and music.
- Finalists may provide their preferred ideas for model performance and music style for the dynamic runway presentation as a reference for the show director. The show director will prepare approximately 5 minutes of music for the presentation. If a finalist provides their own music, they must submit legal authorization documents for public performance from the Taiwan Audio-Visual Copyright Association (TAVCA) and the Music Copyright Society of the Republic of China (MCSC) to the organizer.

### IV. FINAL CONTEST - THE RUNWAY SHOW AND THE AWARDS CEREMONY:

in October (During Taipei Fashion Week).

#### Size Reference Table

- Women (height 173-176 cm, shoe size EU 40-41)

	Chest	Back length	Shoulder	Neck	Sleeve	Waist	Hips	Pant length
inches	32-34	16-17	16.5-17	13.5-14.5	23-24	25-27	35-37	45-46

- Men (height 180-185 cm, shoe size EU 45-46)

	Chest	Back length	Shoulder	Neck	Sleeve	Waist	Hips	Pant length
inches	38-40	18-19	18.5-19	16-16.5	24-25	31-33	38-39	46-47

#### JURY

Winners will be selected by the international jury, which inclusive of well-known designers, fashion industry professionals and fashion media. The jury will decide the number of final winners. It is possible to leave a prize/prizes vacant due to lack of qualified design works.

## SCORING CRITERIA

### For Preliminary Selection:

- Creativity (30%)
- Market potential & wearable (30%)
- Materials application (30%)
- Design interpretation of the self-chosen theme (10%)

### For Final Selection:

- Fabrics use (20%)
- Pattern making (20%)
- Market potential (20%)
- Technique (20%)
- Creativity (20%)

## PRIZES

- First prize (one winner):  
US\$10,000 (tax excluded), a trophy and a certificate.
- Second Prize (two winners):  
US\$5,000 (tax excluded), a trophy and a certificate.
- Third Prize (three winners: Best Use of Fabrics, Best Pattern Making, Best Market Potential):  
US\$3,000 (tax excluded), a trophy and a certificate.
- Finalist Prize (six winners):  
US\$1,000 (tax excluded) and a certificate.

## OTHER BENEFITS

Winners will have the priority for:

- recommendation to well-known Taiwan / international fashion-related companies.
- recommendation and assistance for participating international fashion design competitions.
- participating TTF's fashion-related activities.
- being reported and revealed the winning designs on TTF's publications, as well as international fashion media.

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Only individual person is eligible to participate in the contest. A contestant must guarantee all the sketches and the designs are originated by himself / herself, and has not used for commercial sales and will follow the specifications and requests. No copy, piracy or intellectual property infringement acts are allowed. Should any of these acts be disclosed or found, the organizer reserves the right to inform related organizations, take appropriate actions in accordance with relevant rules and

regulations, disqualify the contestant involved and / or recall his / her prize, and prohibit him / her from participating in this contest for 3 years. And if any infringement or loss thereof is caused to a third party, the contestant / winner involved should be held fully responsible without objection.

2. Finalists must use hangers and zippered garment protection bags for each outfit and label the following information of each outfit at the upper right corner on the garment bag:
  - registration number (Please refer to the online registration form);
  - front & back photos of the outfit;
  - illustrations / photos of special way of wearing if necessary;
  - a content description (e.g. a blouson, a skirt, etc.; including accessories if applicable).

Finalists must also label the registration number at the inner side of each outfit / accessory. Any loss of or damage to outfits caused by improper labeling will be contestants' own responsibility without objection.

3. Only registration number can be shown on the submitted outfits. Name and any other marks must not reveal on the outfit. In case of any violation, the organizer reserves the right to disqualify the contestant involved.
4. Submission / delivery of contestants' portfolio / outfits will be at contestants' expense. All contestants must adhere to the submission deadline. Contestants who miss the relevant deadlines will be rejected by the organizer. Contestants should make sure the portfolio / outfits are properly packed. The organizer is not responsible for any damage or lost which may occur during submission / delivery.
5. After the preliminary selection, the finalists will be informed by e-mail. The results of preliminary and final selections will also be publicized on TFDA official website, as well as on TTF official website. After the contest, all finalists must take all of their outfits back during the stipulated period (to be advised). To maintain the fairness of this contest, the finalists are obliged to submit 5 outfits to collect the prize.
6. Finalists must attend and present the contesting outfits at events and occasions relevant to the contest. The organizer owns the right to shoot the winning designs and reproduce the results of shooting in any format including but not limited to photograph, video and CD-ROM for display, publicity and promotion purposes. And the organizer owns the copyright of those photographs, videos and CD-ROMs. After the final selection, the organizer owns the right to present and exhibit the finalists' designs in public.
7. Finalists warrant that music for the runway show does not infringe third party intellectual property or have being authorized, and they would indemnify the person / organizer if it does infringe third party intellectual property.
8. Finalists have the obligation to attend the final selection. Absence or failing to submit the original designs, the USD \$1000 finalist prize will be waived.
9. Once registering this contest, all finalists acknowledge that they agree to all the requirements, terms

and conditions of the contest as stated by the organizer.

10. To encourage more talented emerging designers and offer opportunities for showcasing, previous first prize winners in this competition will not be eligible to participate again.
11. The organizer reserves the right to make any necessary adjustment to the rules of this competition.
12. If any award is declared vacant, the Organizer reserves the right to determine whether such award will be replaced or supplemented.
13. The competition is conducted fairly, ensuring that participants are not discriminated against based on gender, disability, or other status, and provides reasonable support to uphold equality and protect the rights of all participants.

## **CLAIM FOR REIMBURSEMENT**

Foreign finalist residences outside of Taiwan can apply for round-trip air tickets and 2 days accommodation in the period of final selection. The application will be informed via e-mail. Please note the application shall be filled in the stipulated period.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

[fashiondesign@textiles.org.tw](mailto:fashiondesign@textiles.org.tw)

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

The online registration fields are listed below. Please make sure to complete each field accurately and in detail.

- Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ (as in passport)
- Chinese name (if available) \_\_\_\_\_
- Date of birth \_\_\_\_yy / \_\_\_\_mm / \_\_\_\_dd
- Nationality \_\_\_\_\_
- Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_
- Collection submitted:  
Menswear \_\_\_\_ outfit(s), Womenswear \_\_\_\_ outfit(s), total 5 outfits.
- E-mail \_\_\_\_\_
- Telephone numbers  
Country code \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_  
Office \_\_\_\_ Area Code \_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_  
Home \_\_\_\_ Area Code \_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_
- Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_
- Address \_\_\_\_\_
- Social Media Link Instagram \_\_\_\_\_  
Facebook \_\_\_\_\_
- Current Status  
 Student:  Senior High School  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior  
 Postgraduate  
School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_  
Which country is the school located in \_\_\_\_\_  
 Unemployment  
 Full time occupation  
Company Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ year(s) of seniority  
 Freelancer
- Passport

Jpg or jpeg formats only, file size less than 1M.  
Other file formats are not supported for uploading.

## **TFDA LETTER OF COMMITMENT**

**To TAIWAN TEXTILE FEDERATION,**

By signing this form, I undertake that:

- The designs submitted are my own creations without any copy, piracy, imposture or intellectual property infringement acts.
- I will adhere strictly to all of the contest schedules, requirements, and terms and conditions. I will accept any rejection/cancellation of my qualification as a contestant caused by my violation of the contest schedules, requirements, and terms and conditions without any objection and appeal.
- I will respect and adhere strictly to the organizer's and the jury's decisions and resolutions in relation to the contest.
- If I am selected as a prize winner, I will fulfill my winner obligations for the purpose of promoting this contest.
- I warrant that music provided for my collection does not infringe third party intellectual property or is authorized by the creator, and would indemnify organizer if it does in fact infringe third party intellectual property.
- I acknowledge that I shall bear the obligation to attend the final selection. If absent or fail to submit my own original designs, I agree that I will be disqualified and the 1000 USD finalist prize will be waived.

I hereby acknowledge the above information and agree comply with all regulations.  
(Verify Online)

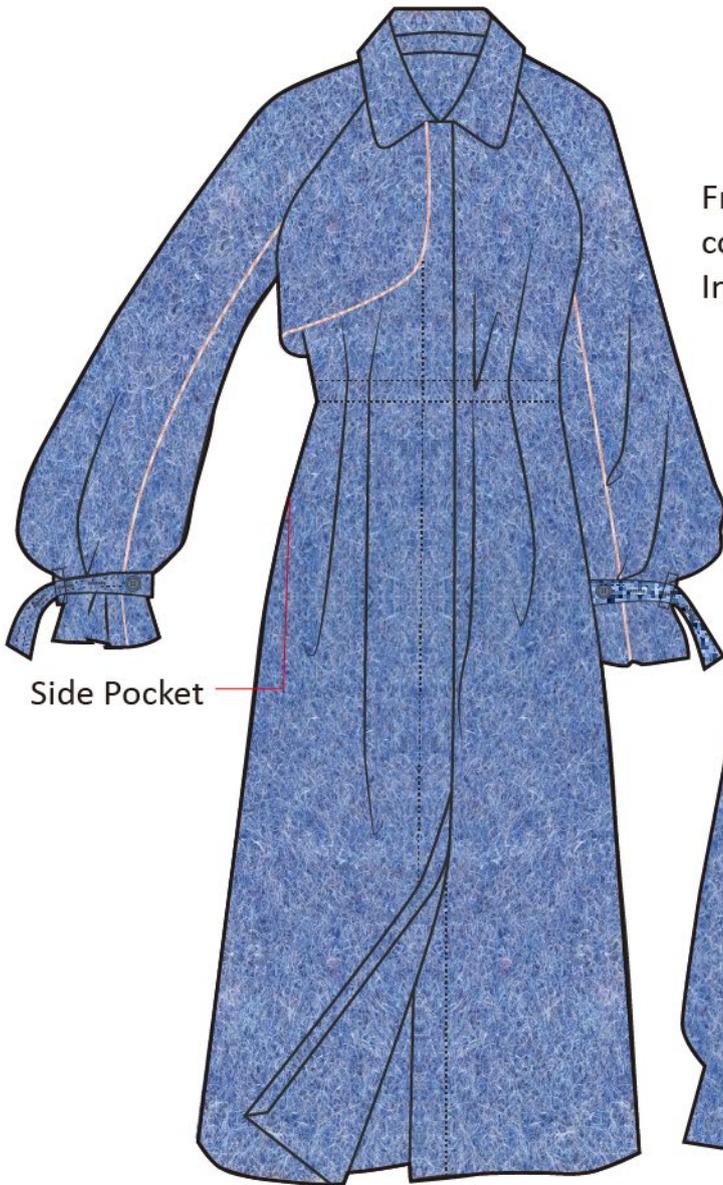
## PERSONAL INFORMATION PROTECTION COMMITMENT STATEMENT

1. For the purpose of organizing and executing Taipei Fashion Design Award (hereinafter “TFDA”), and in compliance with Article 8 of the *Personal Information Protection Act* of the Republic of China, Taiwan Textile Federation (hereinafter “TTF”) will collect, process and use the personal information provided voluntarily through registration or any other way of communication by the individual who registers to contest at TFDA (hereinafter “contestant”).
2. The personal information provided by the contestant, including name, passport number, telephone number, e-mail address, company name and other information, which may be used to identify the contestant directly and indirectly, will be properly stored and maintained in TTF’s database.
3. The contestant can exercise the following rights regarding personal information according to Article 3 of the *Personal Information Protection Act* of the Republic of China by email to [fashiondesign@textiles.org.tw](mailto:fashiondesign@textiles.org.tw) .
  - 1) any inquiry and request for a review of the personal information ;
  - 2) any request to make duplications of the personal information ;
  - 3) any request to supplement or correct the personal information ;
  - 4) any request to discontinue collection, processing or use of personal information ;
  - 5) any request to delete the personal information.
4. It is the contestant’s choice whether provide personal information to TTF. However, if the contestant does not agree personal information is being collected, processed and used by TTF for the purpose of organizing and executing TFDA, TTF reserves the right to refuse or cancel the contestant’s registration and participation in TFDA.

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## COLORED DESIGN SKETCH – EXAMPLE

Front- and back-view technical drawings, combined into a single image per outfit. 1 image per outfit, for a total of 5 images. Please indicate any special way of wearing if applicable.



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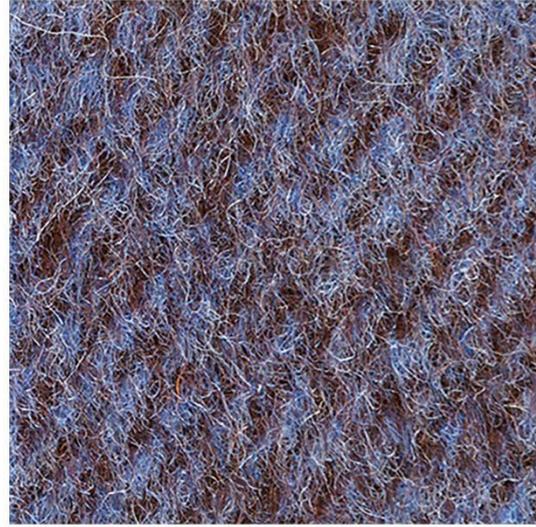
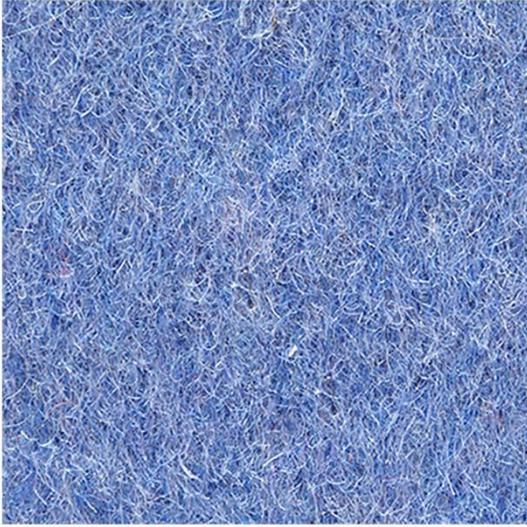
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