

# Lights, Camera... Fashion!

Welcome to the Arts Council of  
Greater New Haven's 42nd  
Annual Arts Awards



Portrait Photography: Lotta Studio

# The Show

Mingle in the Foyer

- Red Carpet Walk with Babz Rawls Ivy

Welcome Video

"Lights, Camera... FASHION" Show

Featuring designs from our honorees and local designers

Presentation of Tonight's Awards

- Donald Carter
- Alisha Crutchfield-McLean
- Fashionista Vintage and Variety  
Accepted by: Todd Lyons and Nancy Shea
- Tea Montgomery
- Trachouse & Trachouse Beauty Lounge  
Accepted by: Renee Brown
- Burton Alter  
C. Newton Schenck III Award  
for Lifetime Achievement

Remarks & Final Words

Babz Rawls Ivy & Winter Marshall

After Party

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New Haven style Apizza by Big Green Truck

Dance Party by DJ Cookie

Ongoing throughout  
the Evening







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Donald Carter



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## Donald Carter: Fashion Designer

Donald Carter was born and raised in Hamden, Connecticut. He studied at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York and attended Southern Connecticut State University. Donald has been designing and sewing clothes for men and women for 40 years. He is well known and respected for his fashion creations and years of presenting fashion shows throughout Connecticut and beyond. His designs are unique and recognizable.

Most recently, he was the Fashion Design Instructor at Cooperative Arts & Humanities High School in New Haven for three years. During his time there, he bonded with all students and made a significant impact on future designers. Today, Donald continues to create and sew high quality fashions.

Read more about his work in The Arts Paper and the New Haven Independent.  
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Alisha Crutchfield-McLean



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# Alisha Crutchfield-McLean: Bloom

Alisha is a passionate entrepreneur and innovative brand builder with multifaceted expertise in retail, fashion styling, marketing, strategy, business development, and consumer behavior. She transitioned from her 20-year career in the fashion industry into one she found pleasurable and meaningful. BLOOM, a union of community, culture and commerce, has blossomed into a lifestyle movement in Westville. This multi-concept gathering space, rooted in wellness, highlights local makers, emphasizes culture and diversity, and intentionally curates products that encourage people to bloom where they are planted.

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Read more about Alisha's commitment to community building through BLOOM in The Arts Paper, the New Haven Independent, New Haven Biz and News Channel 8.

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Fashionista Vintage and Variety



# Fashionista Vintage and Variety

Owners Nancy Shea & Todd Lyon Pictured

Fashionista started 18 years ago, when founders and co-owners Todd Lyon and Nancy Shea decided to make some Christmas money by selling off some of their own vintage clothes at a one-time-only tag

sale on State Street. The venture immediately took off, and before they knew it, both had quit their jobs and were running a brick-and-mortar vintage and costume shop. A walk-up on Church Street became a corner store on Whitney and Trumbull, where—in addition to dressing New Haven's finest oddballs—the two hosted a book party for a series of YA books called "The Time-Traveling Fashionista," written by a favorite customer and featuring a pair of eccentric shop keeps.

The pandemic prompted a downsizing and a move to the Marlin Works complex, a former munitions factory on Willow Street that feels like a secret, under-the-radar hideaway. They are still welcoming a steady stream of seekers, many who come by appointment, in search of flapper costumes, '90s tracksuits, floral print muumuus, chic '60s sheaths, Rick James wigs and such. It is a place of radical self-expression, where gender-fluid folks gleefully float around in leather bombers, crinolines and smashed hats, where boys find their very first skirt and girls fall in love with vintage mechanic's suits.



Read more about them in the Arts Paper and the New Haven Independent. Visit the store's website and follow @fashionistavintage on Instagram



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## **Congratulations to the honorees!**

Burton Alter

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Fashionista Vintage & Variety

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Montgomery**  
Threads by Tea



**Renee  
Loren**  
Trachouse



**Alisha  
Crutchfield-McLean**  
Bloom

A photograph of a modern building facade with a curved, metallic, copper-colored surface that reflects the sky. The building has sharp, angular lines and a dark horizontal band.

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Congratulations to Burton Alter on receiving the  
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Edgehill Team at Pearce Real Estate was established by **Ray Baldelli** and **Wojtek Borowski**, two top producing and award winning agents / brokers at Pearce Real Estate, as an effective way to better service the needs of our clients. In addition to Ray and Wojtek, Edgehill Team is comprised 8 highly experienced agents: **Fran DeToro, Liisa Lindholm, Judith Normandin, Cecilia Jaoude, Isabel Pocock, Aneesah Langley, Izabella Blackwell, and Rob Davis.**

**We speak Finnish, French, German, Polish, Russian, Spanish and Swedish.**

**We are strong supporters of the local community**

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Tea Montgomery



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## Tea Montgomery: Fashion Designer

Born and raised in New Haven, Tea Montgomery is owner and style architect of Threads by Tea. As a self-taught designer, Tea has been honing his talent for fashion design and wearable art since 2016. Through his wearable art, in the form of clothing and accessories, his mission is to inspire and empower others to realize their own potential and challenge themselves. As an all-around creative, he started with classical training in music as a youth, and has been able to explore his creativity through visual arts, music and event production, cooking and creative writing. He is interested in anything that entails taking an idea and bringing it to fruition.



Read more about Tea in the Arts Paper and the Daily Nutmeg.  
Watch a video introducing his work  
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# Trachouse & Trachouse Beauty Lounge

Owner Renee Loren Pictured



Trachouse's mission is to provide personalized upscale service experiences through a team of highly skilled and creative beauty professionals. Teamwork and customer service are the salon's most valuable assets, which ensure that guests are always the team's top priority.

Trachouse Salons strive to enhance beauty and confidence by providing top tier services. Led by Founder & CEO, Renee Loren, they appreciate the patronage of each guest and value their time, support, referrals and retention. The Trachouse team educates themselves continuously to be proficient in the latest trends, techniques, and services. Community service and advocacy are woven into the thread of the Trachouse fabric, so giving back is always a part of their agenda. This includes the Pink Project, a day of service to strengthen and renew the mind, body and spirit of breast cancer survivors through donated beauty services.

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Volunteer Application



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## CONGRATULATION BURTON!

We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to Burton Alter, our Board President, for receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award. As a recognition of Burton's deep love of the arts, this award is an appropriate acknowledgement of his accomplishments. Congratulations on your incredible success once again!  
-CSK team







# **Congratulations to tonight's Arts Award winners!**

**Thank you to the  
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Burton Alter



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## Burton Alter: Lifetime Achievement Award

Burton Alter is the recipient of this year's C. Newton Schenck III Award for Lifetime Achievement in and Contribution to the Arts. For decades, Burton has championed the arts in New Haven, with a particular and profound love for music. He has served as a board member and board director for Neighborhood Music School, National Guild for Community Arts Education, Waterbury Arts Council, and Litchfield Performing Arts. He currently serves on the boards of the New Haven Symphony Orchestra, Community Soup Kitchen, and League of American Orchestras. A retired attorney, he is a former member of the Connecticut Advisory Council and a lifelong member of the American Law Institute.



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**BURTON!**

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# A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE MODELS

**The Arts Council of Greater New Haven would like to thank you for your dedication, talent and energy during our fashion show. You are the true definition of Lights, Camera... FASHION and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors.**



Gentrii By Cre3-"Individuality and intentionality are imperative when it comes to how I exhibit myself. As a model, stylist, designer, behavioral specialist and multifaceted artist I wield all my tools to the best of my ability so that I can not only help myself but uplift my culture & broaden the view of society around me. When it comes to originality the only thing stopping you is you so I make it my business to give that experience to you."

Ariee-Ariee is a 25 year old New Haven native. She has been professionally modeling for two years now. She is signed with Couture Modeling Agency and has worked with a variety of brands such as AAO, It's a wig, Nike by you, and Aplos. Ariee loves helping others and is always looking for ways to improve her craft. She believes if you don't see a lane for what you want to do, make your own.

Kenneth Haynes-"I am Kenneth Haynes, a model in fashion, runway, videography, and in-studio. I love modeling because there's many different avenues you can take with this and I want to showcase not only am I capable, but you can be too!"

Mekhi Chambers-of Hamden, CT. "I am 21 years old & I'm an Aquarius. I like to play video games & play basketball. I look forward to what modeling has in store for me in the near future."

Nyairé Simpkins-"My name is Nyairé, owner of Nyairé The Brand LLC. I am 24 years old and have been modeling for 8 years. I started modeling campaign shoots for my business and influenced so many young individuals. I also love to dance, travel, and shop!"

Chasity Aniece-Chasity Aniece is an experienced, well-rounded model born and raised in Bridgeport, Connecticut. She is a multi-talented creative who not only models, but produces fashion shows and manages multiple businesses. She has made a name for her two brands through hard work and consistency. You can follow and support her on IG: @chasityaniece @c.aproductions @luxry.us

Navi-Navontae Vinson is a freelance model born and raised in Bridgeport, Connecticut. He is a multi-talented creative also known as Navi The Artist when reciting poems, making music, and expressing his talents in other ways. His goal is to impact others through his artistic abilities and leave an impression of what true artistry is.







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Lotta Studio Portraits



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Renee Brown: Logo Design

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