



Culture Flash!

Somewhere between long-established institutions like the Honolulu Academy of Arts and grassroots Chinatown events, something important is missing. That's what Interisland Terminal founders think, and it's a gap their independent art incubator is designed to fill. "Our mission is not just to exhibit art, but to do so with the idea that art is essential to the development of our community," says co-founder Wei Fang. Every other month since April, Interisland Terminal presents a new program balanced between contemporary art, film and design. Their current architecture competition aims to stimulate a new era of local building design. "We want to instigate art in our community," says co-founder Sean Shodal. "We want to bring in outside people to see what's going on here and feed it." interislandterminal.org.

NUMBER CRUNCH **670,934**

The number of Twitter followers Mayor Mufi Hannemann has according to twitterholic.com. Of the 600 twitter users they track in Honolulu, the website shows that the mayor has the most followers in the city.

STYLE FILE

'Til Dress Do Us Part

No taffeta or tiaras here. Ask designers Lan Chung and Rona Bennett to characterize their picture-perfect wedding and they'll give you three words—relaxed beach elegance. It's no wonder then that the creative duo behind Fighting Eel recently launched a capsule collection of simple, chic and versatile bridal gowns that fairy tale island weddings are made of.

After numerous requests and high demand from brides-to-be, a little inspiration from their own respective nuptials provided the foundation for the initial collection of nine bridal gowns and 15 bridesmaid dresses. Each piece is crafted from the same butter-soft fabrics that are signature to their ready-to-wear line and can be mixed and matched in style and length to flatter every individual.

Added bonus: all this chic simplicity also comes with a "no regret" clause, explains Chung. "You can definitely look back at pictures in 20 years and not feel 'OMG, what was I thinking?'" 47 N. Hotel St., Honolulu, 524.1472, fightingeel.com. —Margaret Jen Akinaka



CHANGE OF A DRESS The Karma wedding gown by Fighting Eel.



Fendi bustier, \$785, spats, \$706.

3.1 Phillip Lim shorts, \$495.



YSL bodysuit, \$2,300.

Derek Lam dress, \$2,390.

RUNWAY REPORT

Animal Attraction

A fab motorcycle jacket is a current staple in any street-savvy woman's closet and fiercely fitting leather cigarette pants (zippered this season!) are a definite must-get. But this sexy skin is being reinvented. We've seen the expected autumn influx of alluring skirts and leggings from Phi and Staerk, but also endlessly hot new styles. **Erin Wasson x RVCA's** goat nappa jumpsuit requires the same body-conscious courage as the shiny, superheroine-worthy plungé bodysuit by **YSL**. And it's clear that the supple lamb leather short shorts from **3.1 Phillip Lim** and **Derek Lam's** snap-up frock were designed for a statement-making gal. For those unsure about rocking head-to-toe hides, **Fendi** has a sassy, structured option: seamless, molded leather bustiers, which instantly add a touch of cool to any classic look. Add the design house's Victorian-esque leather spats—also in bold colors—to go from sweet to chic. —Kathryn Romeyn



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