

FASHION PRO

LAN CHUNG AND RONA BENNETT OF FIGHTING EEL

SMART thought it would be fun to put fashion pros Rona Awber and Lan Chung, the owners/designers of Fighting Eel (a 2-year-old clothing label based here in Hawaii), to the test and see how they would style a complete outfit with one of their Fall 2005 pieces. They chose their "Dukes" dress, an empire-waisted dress with a gorgeous cut neckline that features a striking African-inspired trim.

All Fighting Eel pieces are super versatile (in addition to being well-cut, sexy, simple, stylish and comfortable)—and the versatility is reflected here in the two looks that Rona and Lan have put together. Fighting Eel is really a combination of Rona and Lan's different personal styles and their boundless love of fashion.

Fighting Eel continues to grow and expand; the label can now be found in 53 stores across the U.S. from California to Connecticut. To see all of the Fall 2005 looks including the "Dukes" dress, go to www.fightingeel.com. We know you'll want one of everything. Just like us!

LAN CHUNG

Favorite designers/labels:

Tracy Feith, Doo.ri, Alessandro Dell'Acqua, Derek Lam

Describe your style:

I have no style, it's boring just to have one particular look

Favorite on-the-go lunch:

fish burrito from the Natural Bar on Monsarrat Avenue

Go-to color:

all colors, except purple, but I especially love white

Astrological sign:

Libra

Ferris wheel or roller coaster?

roller coaster

Favorite scent/perfume:

gardenia or jasmine oil

Favorite beach:

Lumahai

Favorite trend for fall:

African-inspired prints and peacock colors

What's in your bag?

Almost everything I can fit in there, it's in there

"Dukes" dress \$154 Fighting Eel • www.fightingeel.com
Shrug \$164 BCBG • BCBG MaxAzria Ala Moana
Shoes \$89 Enzo Angiolini • Macy's Ala Moana
Purse \$45 Kukuly • Crazy Beautiful
Necklaces Kukuly • Lan's own
Ring Rona Marie • www.ronamarie.com

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RONA BENNETT

Favorite designers/labels:

Tracy Feith, Matthew Williamson, Diane von Furstenberg, Fig (for cool tops www.figfashion.com), Melissa Joy Manning (www.mjmmetal.com) and Jill Platner (www.jillplatner.com) for jewelry

Describe your style:

top-of-the-laundry-pile chic

Favorite on-the-go lunch:

tofu poke from Manoa Safeway or malasadas from Leonard's

Go-to color:

anything but white (because of spaghetti sauce)

Astrological sign:

Taurus

Ferris wheel or roller coaster?

ferris wheel

Favorite scent/perfume:

morning coffee, rain

Favorite beach:

Tonggs (not really a beach) for surfing and Make Horse on Molokai for shell diving

Favorite trend for fall:

Africa! Wood

What's in your bag?

gold i-Pod mini, cell phone that I never answer, about 100 receipts, Kieh's baby lip balm, Tylenol, coin purse (which acts as my wallet) from Chinatown, Bath and Body Works Peony body cream, keys, Ray-Ban sunglasses

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Jeans \$148 Hudson • Rafael Ala Moana

Flip-flops \$10 Roxy • Roxy Ward Village Shops

Bag \$12.99 • Hilo Hatties

Earrings B Gurle • Rona's own

Necklace and rings Kukuly • Rona's own

