

Jody Kahlon X Nuha Saad Collaboration - Media Release

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KALEIDOSCOPE — Fashion meets sculpture in joyful collaboration

“Right now, the world is glum – and everything feels crazy. Art can bring a small bubble of joy to all of us.”

Jody Kahlon, January 2020

Geometric shapes converge in a kaleidoscope of vivid colour and whirling movement in the latest Jody Kahlon window installation on Glenhuntly Road. KALEIDOSCOPE is a creative collaboration between the Melbourne fashion designer and Sydney sculptor Nuha Saad. Together, the artists have created a bold theatrical work, composed to awaken optimism and wonder during a turbulent time in Australia’s history.

The window installation showcases Kahlon’s dresses, all constructed from recycled and handcrafted materials and displayed on custom-made mannequin stands. The stands are crafted by Melbourne-based woodturner Tracey Malady and hand-painted by Saad. They are set upon revolving turntables, twirling whimsically in order to celebrate all aspects of her detailed designs. Saad’s intricate painted ceiling roses form the base of the mannequin stands, and her striking architectural forms hang suspended from the ceiling. Students from design school LCI Melbourne also contributed to over 500 hours of creative work.

“Like me, Nuha has a love of colour and intricate patterns and shapes”, shares Kahlon. “Her work reflects my work and we inspire each other. Our creative processes are so aligned – we just use different mediums.” The result is KALEIDOSCOPE — a scene of pure, dynamic delight. Kahlon reflects, “Lately, it’s been hard to find inspiration. The inescapable influence of social media means that everyone is producing the same looks. I want this window to help get people to look up from their phones and witness something joyful and hopeful.”

[Jody Kahlon](#) is a Melbourne fashion designer creating custom women’s apparel from her Glen Huntly studio. Her background in theatre, costume and visual merchandising have set the stage for her regularly changing window installations. Kahlon also teaches within the Fashion & Costume Design faculty at LCI Melbourne. She is proud to pass on her individual approach to design and her celebration of the recycled environment.

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[Nuha Saad](#) is a Sydney-based sculptor whose works feature in public buildings and urban renewal projects. Her painting and sculptural explorations combine elements of household interior design and complex graded colour schemes. Her work is informed by her belief in the transformative power of colour and its effect on human emotion.

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