

Teen pageant showcases Fijian design

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Award-winning Fijian designer Aisea Konrote's talent was on show Friday night, courtesy of the Miss Teen Australia pageant at Pacific Harbour.

Mr Konrote's design collection "Hefrani" was modelled by the 11 Miss Teen Australia contestants at the Pearl South Pacific Resort and Spa at Pacific Harbour.

"I designed 39 outfits for this fashion show keeping in mind the teens and their styles," Mr Konrote said.

"I moved away from my usual elegant look to incorporate the teenage look. I'm very honoured to be a part of this fashion show and to be able to showcase my design on a international platform."

He said that he wanted to design for Fiji and the Pacific.

"There are many designers internationally and I want to mostly design for Fiji and the Pacific.

"My message to the upcoming designers is to work hard and be original. If you know you have talent work hard to develop more from it."

The pageant ends tonight with the crowning of Miss Teen Australia 2013.

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