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Steel City Style – Pittsburgh Fashion Week



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What is one thing **Pittsburgh** has in common with New York? Fashion Week. That's right. Have no fear to the Pittsburgh style mavens who couldn't make it to the Big Apple, Steel City will take care of you. For three years, designers and models alike have taken over Pittsburgh to make the event a success. It looks like all the hard work and dedication is paying off because it is back and keeps getting better. Number 3 on Forbes worst dressed cities? Let's invite them front row and see if we change their minds. I bet we would.

With many fashion appropriate venues throughout the city, it's tough to narrow it down. Organizations did the work for us and are letting us take a sneak peek at where to expect the style. Last year's opening season is a tough act to follow. With inspiration taken from Bryant Park, the opening was held in Market Square; however, is taking place at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall and Museum in Oakland this season. Green is the new black at the Eco Friendly show and will feature Iman B, Lana Neumeyer and Faith-n-Khaos by Faith Pongracz.

Another twist in Fashion Week is the annual charity show. This year it will be held at The Mall at Robinson. The show will focus on breast cancer awareness so be ready for a pink fashion palette. Pittsburgh Today Live's Kristine Sorensen will host the event.

Although we are in with the new, Fashion Week kept some of the old. "ManStyle" held at the Heinz History Center is back again and better than ever. For all you fashion Maniacs that can never fully feed your fashion appetite, there are two days of back-to-back runway shows and vendors at the Clarion Hotel in Green Tree. This all concludes with the yearly luncheon at the Omni William Penn Hotel, Downtown, honoring the latest class of Pittsburgh Fashion Hall of Fame inductees.

The week of **Sept. 24-30** is shaping up to be a good one. Don't miss out on one-of-a-kind wears from local designers. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at

showclix.com. You may not be seated next to Anna Wintour but if you're lucky Andrew Stockey could be behind you.

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I believe when you're pretty on the inside, you're pretty on the outside but you can't beat that perfect shade of lipstick and eyelashes as big as your dreams.



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