

## Judges Details

**Jasper Garvida**



Born in the Philippines, Jasper moved to Toronto when he was 12-years-old. Quickly adapting into Canadian culture, Jasper's love of art started with photography, before evolving into a passion for fashion.

Aged 19, Jasper enrolled at the International Academy of Design in Toronto, where he learnt the important technical skills a fashion designer requires, namely tailoring, pattern cutting and construction.

Setting his sights on London's prestigious Central St Martins College of Art and Design, he successfully impressed the Directors with a unique portfolio, and became one of a handful of the many applicants to be accepted.

On graduation, Jasper's first appointment was designing for couture Label Michiko Koshino. As chief designer, Jasper created collections for two seasons before taking up an opportunity to further his knowledge in all aspects of the fashion industry by moving to the High Street to design for a wider audience.

The discipline of designing for an everyday consumer enabled Jasper to further understand, from a designers' perspective, exactly what women want in order to make sure they get the clothes they love.

During this period, Jasper also produced three collections for Swatch. Most recently, as winner of Sky One's Project Catwalk hosted by Kelly Osbourne, Jasper produced an outstanding collection which was shown as part of London Fashion Week February 2008.

Jasper now runs his own label through [www.jaspergarvida.com](http://www.jaspergarvida.com)

Jasper said:

“Fashion is not just about designing or buying one outfit, wearing it once and throwing it away; it’s about making a statement with your wardrobe time after time with key garments that last.

“Miele is the epitome of this and any fashion conscious person should consider having one. It’s a key part to a wardrobe!”

**Natalie Pinkham**



Natalie Pinkham is a television and radio presenter, who hosts Police Interceptors: Special Edition on Five and Channel 4's Adrenalin Rush.

Natalie recently took part in ITV1's Dancing On Ice and fronted David Beckham's Soccer USA for Fox Soccer Channel in America, with live reports for Five.

She has also previously presented the European Poker Tour on Challenge and Eurosport, the Extreme Sports Channel's coverage of the European Beach Soccer League, and football chat show - World Cuppa for ITV4.

Nat now also presents sport for Virgin Media [www.virginmedia.com/sport](http://www.virginmedia.com/sport) and when it comes to radio - Nat hosts Feelgood Friday every week on London's Heart 106.2

Natalie said:

“Sparks is a charity close to my heart and funds vitally important medical research into every kind of medical condition affecting babies and young children. I’m proud to have been involved with the hugely-successful Sparks Fashion Show which helps raise considerable funding each year and as a Sparks Ambassador I’m very grateful for the invaluable support Miele is giving to the charity.

“The Miele Fashion Prize is certainly a stylish and innovative addition to those tremendous fundraising efforts and I’m looking forward to seeing the designs as they come in!”

**Mark Foster**



Since Mark burst onto the international swimming scene, at the age of 17, representing England at the 1986 Commonwealth Games, he has gone on to represent his country more times and be more decorated than any other male swimmer.

He has held both the World Record for 50m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly, at the same time, during a glittering career spanning three decades. Mark has competed in five Olympic Games and was chosen by Team GB to lead the team and carry the nation's flag in this year's Opening Ceremony of the Beijing Olympic Games.

In addition to his sporting portfolio, Mark is also known for his enthusiasm in numerous TV appearances, such as ITV's Beat the Stars and Five's Superstars. He is currently competing in BBC One's Strictly Come Dancing with his dance partner, Hayley Holt.

Mark said:

"As a sportsman I have been blessed to be able to lead a very active life and compete on the international stage. However, I know that some babies are born who will never know the joy of swimming or dancing come to that! Sparks is a charity that aims to help these babies to be born healthy and stay healthy, so I didn't hesitate when they asked me to be a judge for the Miele Fashion Prize.

"Miele is an important corporate supporter for Sparks and this competition is a great way to help budding fashion designers. Good luck to all the entrants."

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