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Picasso a work of art



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student turned Brisby TV identity Kendal Rae looked poles apart from her children's television character Picasso on *The Shak* when CC bumped into her in the loo at the NRA Australian Fashion Design Awards.

Eyes had to be rubbed to believe the sight of a goddess dressed in a floor-length, see-through white gown, with just white French hipster knickers and a bra on underneath.

"Where did you get it?" CC gasped before even introducing herself.

"Oh, it's by my good friend in Brisbane, designer George Wu," said Rae, who has qualifications in speech and drama teaching, as well as being a trained singer and dancer.

The lovely Wu had personally walked Rae through Myer after store closing time with staff in waiting to find the right underwear for his outer creation.

"We ended up choosing Elle Macpherson's line and I've had so many comments all night. Everyone loved it."

Open shop

If you liked what you saw of the Little Joe outfits on the catwalk at the NRA Australian Fashion Design Awards when designer and fashion judge Gail Elliott showed off her new collection, Gold Coasters can have the chance to see them up close and personal next month.

Elliott's Little Joe boutique at Marina Mirage is holding a shopping event on May 2 for the girls to sip champagne, nibble chocolates and strawberries and have a complimentary Bobbi Brown makeover.

Those keen will have to contact the store to secure a place.

They can also check out more new stores such as Zimmermann's biggest Australian store.

"The Mirage has



A Little Joe creation

undergone an amazing redevelopment and has now attracted the best luxury fashion mix on the Gold Coast," says Zimmermann sisters Nicky and Simone.

Carla Zampatti, Max & Co. and Christensen Copenhagen are also newly opened.

Mail saver outbound

A fond farewell is wished to Katie Sinclair, the blonde bombshell in PR at Conrad Jupiters for the past nine months who's been filling in the shoes of new mummy Rebecca Gordon.

Had to ask Sinclair how she would spend her last day in the office on Thursday last week, aside from nursing a hangover after dressing the part for the NRA Australian Fashion Design Awards.

"I have to clean out my email basket for starters," she laughed.

But that could put her into overtime according to the other member of the Conrad PR team, Rebecca Myers.

"She has about 3000 emails to get through, seriously - I don't think she's deleted a single one she came here," laughed Myers, who also looked every bit the glamour girl on the red



Rebecca Myers and Katie Sinclair

carpet at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Sinclair is off to London next month to follow her dreams and travel.

Chic fashion on the cheap

FACE of Pacific Fair shopping centre Sophie Falkiner is a practical mum. The TV presenter and model, on the Gold Coast last week for the NRA Australian Fashion Design Awards, tells CoastConfidential she buys affordable clothing for her children, Isabella, 4, and Jack, nine weeks.

She says she sees no point in purchasing expensive fashions that her rugrats are only going to ruin or grow out of quickly.

As for shopping for her own needs, she's equally smart.

"I love my Kmart, Targets, Myers and David Jones.

"When you buy more expensive things buy classic items that don't go out of fashion," she advises.

"Then for more fashionable items go to cheaper stores like Diva for your jewellery or Target for your scarfs."

Falkiner practices what she preaches so don't be surprised if you bump into the glamorous blonde at a bargain bin.

But you probably won't see her

shopping anytime soon, as she is set to return to work with Foxtel on May 7 for the first time since Jack's birth.

"I'll only be doing a couple of days though," she said.



Sophie Falkiner



Regina King & Peter Flowers

