

Inaugural Fashion Industry Awards South Africa winners revealed

The Fashion Forum Group announced the winners of its inaugural Fashion Industry Awards South Africa, presented in partnership with the Department of Sports, Arts and Culture, during a ceremony held at Sanctuary Mandela in Johannesburg on 25 March.



Thebe Magugu, Fashion Designer of the Year 2021. Source: Fashion Industry Awards SA via Instagram

The awards were developed to acknowledge and celebrate creative and business excellence that has positively impacted the local fashion landscape.

Among the big winners of the Fashion Industry Awards South Africa 2021 were designer Jo Borkett, scooping the Lifetime Achievement Award; Thebe Magugu, winning Fashion Designer of the Year; Craig Jacobs, who walked off with Fashion Innovation of the Year; and The Space, which won Retail Space of the Year.



Craig Jacobs named SA's first recipient of the Fashion Innovation Award OnPoint PR 29 Mar 2022

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View the full list of winners below.

Lifetime Achievement Award:

Jo Borkett

Fashion Designer of the Year:

Thebe Magugu

Emerging Talent of the Year: Ezokhetho
Fashion Innovation of the Year: Craig Jacobs
Womenswear Brand of the Year: Palesa Mokubang for Manthso
Menswear Brand of the Year: Naked Ape by Shaldon Kopman
Childrenswear Designer of the Year: Lullaby Rock
Accessory Designer of the Year: Pichulik
Textile Designer of the Year: Maxhosa Africa
Heritage/Cultural Designer of the Year: Bongiwe Walaza
African Fashion Brand of the Year based in SA: Anissa Mpungwe Atelier
Retail Space of the Year: The Space
Fashion Muse of the Year: Yaya Mavundla
Cut, Make & Trim (CMT) of the Year: Cloth Collective
Patternmaker of the Year: Laughing Lizard Pattern Creations
Seamstress of the Year: Bernadette Darisane
Fashion Journalist of the Year: Emmanuel Tjiya
Fashion Stylist of the Year: Chloe Andrea Welgemoed

