



## Press Release

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### Printed Textiles student wins at Surtex

Leeds College of Art student, Hannah Wilkinson, has won the Designnext award at Surtex; an international student design competition which honours outstanding art and design students for exceptional surface design work.

Hannah is a student from the BA (Hons) Printed Textiles & Surface Pattern Design degree at the College. She will fly out to the USA in May where she will attend a prestigious awards show held in New York. As part of her prize, she is given a stand at Surtex to showcase her collection and network with industry professionals. This will include press, promotional materials, conferences seminars, as well as having her work professionally critiqued.

The competition's theme was 'The New Urban Grunge', a fashion trend consisting of florals, embroidery, stripes, camouflage, denim, leather and pops of colour. Hannah's designs were applied to the surface of products and presented as a collection for the 'work' category, where she created designs for interior office furnishing (furniture, upholstery, floor and wall coverings).

*On winning at Surtex Hannah said:-*

*"I couldn't quite believe it when I found out that I had won, especially as the competition is open to design students internationally. I can't wait to travel to New York and to exhibit my work at the show alongside industry professionals. It's a fantastic opportunity for me and I believe that it will give me an excellent start on my career as a designer. I am now busy working on interior wall coverings and furnishing designs that I hope to exhibit at the show"*

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