Wedding dresses – also in black

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Brides planning their big day in 2013 will have an opportunity to see wedding dress designs straight from the catwalk when they go along to the wedding fayres at Channings and The Howard in Edinburgh this weekend.

Black is the new white for those wishing to make a style statement as they walk down the aisle. Among the gowns on display by Edinburgh wedding dress specialist, Emma Roy, will be designs in grey on ivory and black silk taffeta decorated with roses and diamantes.

The gowns by Belgian Renbo Styling and Italian designer Enzoani are all priced around £1600.

Deborah Rhodes, partner at Emma Roy, said: 'There is no doubt that many brides-to-be will always want something classic and traditional however for those wishing to create a dramatic effect then we're delighted to be able to showcase these fabulous gowns.

The Wedding Fayres will take place at:

Channings, 12-16 South Learmonth Gardens — Saturday 17th March 11am-4pm

This friendly four star hotel can cater for weddings of up to 50 guests.

The Howard, 34 Great King Street - Saturday 24th March 11 am-4pm.

This five star boutique hotel specialises in smaller weddings and offers an intimate and personal setting

Exhibitors include:

Lillium (florist); Emma Roy (bridal wear); Harlow Rhodes (hairdresser); Rosie Fraser Make Up (make-up) and Klaklak (photographer); Chrissanda Chauffeur Drive and Ivory Tower Cake.

Caroline McIntosh, Business Development Manager for The Edinburgh Collection, said: 'We want every bride and groom/couple to enjoy their wedding day and to have fun planning it. We invite everyone beginning to make their own plans to come along to one of our wedding fayres and see the spaces available while chatting with our event co-ordinator over a glass of bubbly.'

Entrance to both events is free. Those booking before 30^{th} April for a 2012 wedding will receive a 10% discount on venue hire. Those planning a date before 31^{st} March 2013 will have the chance to win free venue hire.

For further details on these events – and all Edinburgh Collection properties – visit <u>www.theedinburghcollection.com</u>