

# Edinburgh Charity Fashion Show 2013 supporting cancer charity



Edinburgh Charity Fashion Show will take place at The Assembly Rooms on Saturday 16 March at 7:00pm

The Edinburgh Charity Fashion Show has risen to prominence as the largest student run fashion show in the UK and one of the most successful student run events in Europe. The show is now in its twelfth year and has raised nearly half a million pounds for charity. Designers for 2013 include Diane von Furstenberg, Alice by Temperley, Judy R Clark and Pocket Jeans London. We will also feature pieces from local Edinburgh stores including Fifi Wilson and Edinburgh College of Art students Melissa Thwaites and Louise Benetts.

Edinburgh Charity Fashion Show is supporting Cancer Support Scotland as one of its chosen charities for 2013.

Cancer Support Scotland provides emotional and practical support on a one-to-one basis and through community based groups to anyone affected by cancer including family, friends and carers. With its main centre at Gartnavel Hospital, Glasgow, Cancer Support Scotland has a number of support groups across the West of Scotland and ECFS hope to raise the charity's profile in the East. Support services are free of charge and rely on donations from the public with recent fundraising efforts resulting in the Calman Cancer Support Centre which has doubled the capacity available for support.

Cancer Support Scotland provides counselling services and complementary therapies including aromatherapy, reiki, hot

stone therapy, Indian head massages, reflexology, talking therapy (counselling), deep tissue massage and stress management, chiropody and hairdressing to people with cancer as well as offering support to their families and friends.

After viewing the facilities at the Calman Centre, Chairwoman Caroline said: "It is incredibly motivating to see the fantastic new facility and learn about the amazing services Cancer Support Scotland provides to patients and their families."

Adam Baxter, one of the students who will be modelling the creations, added: "The enthusiasm of the staff was heart-warming, making the Centre all the more welcoming and relaxing. It is great to know that an event that we enjoy so much being a part of is raising money for such a worthy and inspiring cause."

Colin Graham, chief executive of Cancer Support Scotland, said: "We are delighted to receive this generous support from everyone associated with the Edinburgh Charity Fashion Show.

"The students involved in the show come from all over the UK and, indeed, from many other countries and their decision to nominate Cancer Support Scotland as a beneficiary of this year's event is a reflection of how aware they are of the need to support people with cancer. They deserve immense credit.

"Although Cancer Support Scotland is headquartered in Glasgow, and most of the people we currently help are from the west of Scotland, we will shortly be piloting a scheme to extend our reach to Edinburgh and other parts of the country and the money donated by the students will help us fund that along with our other complementary therapies."