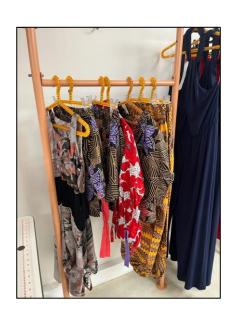






FC Designer Collective 24th June 2022









Jenny Holloway went to review the retail shop and designers showcasing





Designers
showcasing must
take responsibility for
appropriate
collections, work
with the shop and
host showcasing
events

Testimonials from Customers - FEL provides much needed support for the traders of Fonthill Road with alterations and repairs



"Adjustments to a dress —
the fit had become baggy
on the chest and waist.
Leyla measured me and
pinned the dress. The dress
construction was hidden so
the adjustments were quite
complicated. I was very
happy with the fit, it looks
great!" Eleanor

"The adjustments to the dress look amazing and it is very clear that Leyla takes a lot of pride in her work. Many thanks!" Trina

"I had a consultation with Leyla for dress fitting. She offered help and advice about my dress. I found het welcoming and generous. Very pleasant to consult together and make me feel confident about my outfit" Ella

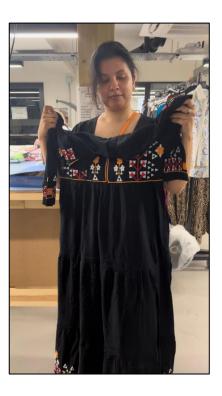
"I found this shop and I absolutely love it! I came back 2 weeks later and bought more clothes, such an amazing shop and Leyla is so friendly and helpful" Emily

Repair & Upcycle Workshop 24th June

As part of our social matrix we provide free seminars and workshops such as the Repair and Upcycle workshop. Over 50 people engaged from the local area. This generates borough pride, helps with mental health issues, highlights courses and skills available and can create jobs as FEL constantly has 10 ongoing jobs for production machinists.









Collaboration with Islington Council and Adult Learning

FEL is working collaboratively with Simon Fuller by providing a tutor for the new Level 2 course, twilight courses on a Thursday evening and giving up use of the space each Friday. This is commencing in September 2022



Mentoring



On 24th June Jenny was available for mentoring during the morning however only one designer engaged.

Francesca Castellano.

A business action plan has been set up and implemented.

Further Mentoring

Other mentoring has included designers from:

Anaqaa Apparel (Majida) Ennay (Nabila) Shama (Maria, Samira & Arafat) Another Earthling (Mary)

Currently FEL is working with Majida on patterns and first samples which will result in a full set of approved graded patterns that can be used for future production for Anaqaa Apparel.



FEL is committed to making both the workspace and retail outlet a success.

DESIGNER WORKSpace

FEL has called a meeting with the designers on (date TBC) and the requested council representation to attend

Thank you for your time

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