

Remember to write legibly! We will use this information to contact you!



## 2023 Participant Application

### Application Requirements & Program Information

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Please complete the above legibly – especially your email addresses\***

1. Enrollment is limited and open to students currently enrolled in grades 6 through 12.
2. The show is scheduled to be on **Friday, March 3, 2023**, show time at 7:00pm at Macky Auditorium.
3. **Participants are expected to come to one workshop per week starting with the introductory meeting on Thursday, Jan 5, 2023 until the show.** WORKSHOPS or CHECK-INS ARE MANDATORY. [We know that some Mondays are school-day-off days, we will still have workshops]. **We understand that you may have pre-planned engagements - ONE excused absence is permitted, but email or let us know ahead-of-time.** If you are not feeling well, please stay home, but let us know so we can schedule a make-up zoom call.
  - For high school students who have previously participated ONLY: You have the option of doing a weekly 15 minute check-in with one of the mentors, either in-person or Skype/zoom. *This does not apply to the intro meeting, stage presence workshop or dress rehearsal.*
4. **Stage presence workshops: Week of February 20**, date & location to be determined, 6:30-9:30pm
5. **Dress rehearsal: Sunday, February 26, 9:30am**, location to be determined
6. The nonrefundable application fee of \$25, will be applied toward tuition upon acceptance. **Program tuition is \$450, which includes the \$25 application fee** (you will receive a link upon acceptance to pay \$425 online prior to the first meeting). A limited number of **need-based scholarships** are available. *Please e-mail trashtherunway@gmail.com providing information about your need for a scholarship.* Scholarships will be awarded before the start of the program.
7. **Demand to participate in this program has grown over the years and enrollment is limited. Please take time with your application and be sure you answer all of the questions. Show us that you want to be part of the program! Incomplete applications will be considered after complete applications. Show us your attention to detail, read the instructions.**

**Completed applications with application fee** (\$25 cash or check payable to Trash the Runway) are due to Common Threads by **5pm Friday, November 18, 2022.** Please use a separate document to respond to the questions on the following page. Participants will be notified of acceptance by Tuesday, November 29, 2022.

**Together with my parents/guardians, I have read and understood the above requirements detailing the eligibility to participate in this program.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature / Printed Name / Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature / Printed Name / Date



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**THIS IS A RELEASE OF LEGAL RIGHTS –  
READ AND UNDERSTAND BEFORE SIGNING**

**GENERAL RELEASE.** I/We, the legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ know that there are risks inherent in using sewing machines, irons, glue guns, and other tools as well as being in a commercial establishment.

Knowing of the inherent risks that this student may be exposed to, it is my/our intention to enroll the above named child to be a participant in one of Common Threads, LLC's and Trash the Runway Inc's activities and to allow him/her to be a participant in all of the activities of the program.

Knowing the risks described above, I/we agree, on behalf of our/my family, heirs and personal representative(s), ward to assume all the risks and responsibilities surrounding my/our/child's participation in the program. To the maximum extent permitted by law, I/we release, hold harmless and agree to indemnify Common Threads ,LLC, and its members, managers, officers, directors, faculty, staff, representatives, employees and agents, from and against any present or future claim, loss or liability for injury to person or property which I/we/child/ward may suffer, or for which I/we/child/ward may be liable to any other person, related to participation in the program resulting from any cause, including but not limited to ordinary or gross negligence.

Common Threads and Trash the Runway staff and local media take photos during our the workshops and program. We will be using images of students and their work to help promote our programs. We have no control over images taken during the show which is open to the public.

I/we have carefully read and freely signed this Assumption of Risk and General Release Form. I/we understand and agree that no oral or written representations can or will alter the contents of this document. I/we agree that this agreement shall be governed by the laws of Colorado, which shall be the forum for any lawsuits filed under or incident to this agreement or the program.

Parental Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Trash the Runway® is a guided independent study workshop, problem-solving design competition and fashion showcase for students in grades 6-12. Over the course of the program, students consider questions of sustainability and create original garments from found materials. Trash the Runway gives widespread exposure to young artists and designers.*



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## KEEP THIS SHEET FOR YOUR FILES

Please use a separate piece of paper to answer the below questions. **Please type/block print your answers – especially your email address – we use it to notify you of your acceptance!!!** If the information you provide is not legible it will be considered incomplete and go to the bottom of the list. **Do not forget to attach your design proposals and to return the completed and signed Application Requirement & Information page.**

You can submit answers to questions 2, 3, and 4 in video format to [trashtherunway@gmail.com](mailto:trashtherunway@gmail.com). Please limit your video to 5 minutes or less. **You will need to submit the completed and signed form, your design proposals, together with the application fee in physical form for your application to be considered complete.**

1. Please submit **TWO** design proposals. These proposals can be in the form of collage, drawings, work samples, or mock-ups. Limit the size of each design to 8.5"x11".
2. **Write a brief description of each design, its materials and how you might construct it** (Will you use glue? tape? stitching? how will you get enough material?). Although this assignment is excellent preparation for the program, you will not be required to use these submissions for your project. (Please remember that trash & grocery bags, duct tape, fabric and zippers or regular buttons are not allowed materials, see materials guidelines).
3. In this program students are expected to deal with principles of environmental sustainability by working with materials that would end up in a landfill. Please explain how your choice of materials reflects these principles. In answering this question please explain how the material(s) you selected affect the environment. Examples: Do they break down in a landfill? Do they pollute as they break down?
4. Where do you find your creative inspiration?

**Remember to include your name on all submitted documents/design pages. Return completed applications and \$25 application fee (cash or checks made out to Trash the Runway) by 5pm on Friday, November 18, 2022 to:**

Common Threads Creative Lab

attn: *Trash the Runway*®

2707 Spruce Street Boulder, Colorado 80302

Email us with any questions you may have at [trashtherunway@gmail.com](mailto:trashtherunway@gmail.com)

Other info can be found on the Common Threads website: [www.TrashTheRunway.com](http://www.TrashTheRunway.com)

### **Important dates:**

**Application Due: 5pm November 18, 2022**

**Notification of acceptance via email by: November 29, 2022**

**Introductory Meeting (parents & participants): January 5, 2023**

**Workshops start: January 9, 2023**

**Stage Presence workshops: to be determined week of Feb 20, 2023**

**Dress rehearsal: 9:30am Sunday, February 26, 2023**

**SHOW: Friday, March 3, 2023**

**Please make sure to add the above dates into your calendar!**



## Guidelines for materials allowed - 2023

The program is called *Trash the Runway*, we are expecting you to use TRASH as your material. **Over the years, our program has evolved and the material guidelines have been continuously adjusted. Read them carefully to ensure you are using appropriate materials.** If AFTER checking the resources provided below, you have questions about specific items, email us at [trashtherunway@gmail.com](mailto:trashtherunway@gmail.com)

1. **Use FOUND items** (trash from your home, your friends and families).
2. **Use materials** that will end up in the landfill or at [CHaRM](#) (hard-to-recycle). Check Boulder's [recycling guidelines](#) as well as the [eco-cycle website](#). **TIP:** use materials that would be dropped off at CHaRM or go in your trash can!
3. Do **NOT use** items that should go in the
  - a. Recycling bin (again, [guidelines here](#))
  - b. Composting bin ([check guidelines here](#))
4. **Do NOT PURCHASE quantities of materials so that you have enough for your garment.** **TIP:** if you want to use a lot of one material find a restaurant, store or other commercial enterprise that uses this material. They are often willing to set it aside for you. Ask friends & family to collect for you, ask to put up signs at school, save materials over the holidays!
5. **Do NOT DESTROY something that could still be used or fixed by someone else** just because you don't want to use it anymore. **TIP:** Ask yourself, can it be donated to a thrift store or ReStore?
6. Do **NOT use** trash bags (yuck!), plastic bags (you should be using re-usable bags at stores), re-usable store bags.
7. Do **NOT use** "real" buttons, zippers, duct or packaging tape. Packaging tape is allowed only to **reinforce** seams, not as a prime material.
8. Do **NOT use** fabric, stay away from fabric-like materials. Check with us before making this choice.

After reading the above and checking out the links provided, email us if you are not sure about the material you want to use. [trashtherunway@gmail.com](mailto:trashtherunway@gmail.com)

### Other thoughts on your designs:

1. You can change your mind during the workshops, no materials are set in stone until the January 31st!
2. You can unify various materials with surface décor (e.g.: paint from the Hazardous Waste facility).
3. Check out Pinterest, search for "trash the runway" or "recycled runway" and you will get lots of ideas, e.g. [Trash the Runway](#)

**Remember to follow ALL of the above material guidelines!**