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Bouncy, glittery fashion show leaves lasting impression

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Macy's "Stars on Broadway" bash.
(Sam Reading)

Somehow, I've managed to live my entire life without going to a live fashion show. My runway baptism came April 5 at Macy's "Stars on Broadway" bash at the Ballpark to benefit the Children's Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. It's gonna be a hard act to follow.

Seeing all those willowy, impossibly beautiful models in the not-so-fleshy flesh was a little bit like watching a herd of elegant, exotic animals browsing their native habitat, The Land of Schmooze, where all the rivers are Veuve Cliquot and all the mountains are made of brie. (No complaints here.)

The creative concept for the show, hatched by Ryan Stana, an executive producer from the Big Apple (who even knew fashion shows had executive producers?), was over-the-top. Flirting with sensory overload, Stana choreographed layers of flashing lights, videoloops, cameras and action over throbbing pop, disco and techno music so loud it would kick a pacemaker into 5th gear. The mix morphed into Broadway hits as he unleashed bursts of singing, dancing, aspiring Broadway babies from Webster University and Lindenwood. I was exhausted just watching them bounce around.

Not satisfied to stop there, Stana threw in a constellation's worth of bona fide Broadway stars: Daniel Levine (Chicago, Mama Mia); Kristy Cates (Wicked); Matthew Farnsworth (Curtains, Cats) and Nikki Renee Daniels (Les Miserables, Nine and Little Shop of Horrors).

With a couple of exceptions, the production values overpowered the rather shy, casual clothes. The show featured the breezy best

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of the ready-to-wear summer lines of Michael Kors, Kensie, Kenneth Cole Reaction, DKNY and Tommy Hilfiger. We saw a lot of peach, gray, white and yellow — including that sweet old-fashioned fabric that says summer in St. Louis: seersucker.

(Quick etymological note: the name seersucker comes from the Urdu words for sugar and milk: shirsakar.) Our faves: a citron-y yellow short jacket with a shawl collar, and a short, belted trench in wide swaths of blue, white and green ombre.

For the fragile wee ones in the Children's NICU, the event raised \$43,000.

For the two 17-year-old tagalongs in my party, the highlight was posing for party pix with St. Louis's own hunky supermodel, Brad Kroenig. Somewhere out there, Brad's a screensaver now.

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