



*Mr. Blackwell*

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*The Premier Showing of a Collection of  
Outrageous Designer Gowns*

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# **The Gustafson Gallery**

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## **The Premier Showing of a Collection of Outrageous Designer Gowns by Mr. Blackwell**

### **Guest Speakers**

*Dr. Al Linck  
Academic Vice President  
Colorado State University*

*Dr. Robin Herron  
Dean, College of Applied Human Sciences*

*Andra Jenkins  
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### **Gowns on Exhibit**

*White feathered gown with maribou feathered  
boa,*

*Ivory taffeta dress with diagonally beaded bodice.  
Worn by Beryl Davis in Las Vegas opening in  
1958.*

*Bright orange jumpsuit with sequinned straps in  
back. 1977. Purple peacock feathered boa.*

*Two knit dresses created for the Nixon-Humphrey  
election for the "Donkey" and the "Elephant".*

*1973 Lime green knit polyester dress. "Mirrors to  
the world".*

*1977 Pink and green chiffon dress with matching  
shawl.*

*1966 Candy-striped dress with caplet.*

*1959 Yellow flowered gown with matching cape.  
Worn by Beryl Davis.*

*Black lace dress with gold lining, complete with  
matching stole. Worn by Connie Haines in 1958.*

*Two V-neck dresses, one grey jersey and one  
black. Both have illusion sequinned fronts. 1975.*

*Sleeveless, knee length ivory dress with ivory  
braiding and a rhinestone design.*

*Black taffeta T-length dress with fanned sleeves  
and button down the front.*

*Gold and copper lame dress with a stole off one  
shoulder. Metallic and ostrich boa.*

*Ivory gown with all-over sequinned pattern and  
vertical designs on the front and back.*

### **Modeled Gowns**

*Black velvet gown, sequinned bodice.*

*1964 Black satin gown with trumpet hemline,  
matching black and white turkey, hawk, buzzard  
feathered coat.*

*Oriental gown with scattered pockets.*

*Beige chiffon gown with organdy rose buds on  
them. Worn by Jane Russell, Beryl Davis, and C.  
Haines for Las Vegas opening.*

*Black round sequinned dress with trumpet skirt.*

*1974 Red and black strapless oriental print dress  
in velvet with matching cape.*

*1962 Grey flannel gown with silver bugle beaded  
triangle inset. Matching long stole. Worn by Jane  
Russell.*

*Turquoise and white gown and cape with gold  
paisleys and sequins.*

*Rhinestone bra with 1963 maribou and ostrich  
jacket and skirt. Worn by Phyllis Diller.*

*Black velvet dress with emerald green sequinned  
bodice and an ostrich boa.*

*1966 White gown with gold braid maribou feather  
stole. Worn by Amanda Blake.*

*1966 Burgundy velvet gown with colored stones  
on the bodice. Worn by Teddy Getty Gaston.*

*Chartreuse gown with sequinned bodice.*

*Two piece ivory dress with multicolored sequins  
and bugle beads.*

*Orange/gold jumpsuit with attached stole. Worn  
by Jane Russell in 1962.*

*Red fringe, low V-neck gown.*

### **Models**

*Victoria Emberty  
Kasey Gibbs  
Kris Givan  
Jennifer Howe*

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