VET Hairdressing Students present Still-Life Catwalk

This year our Senior VET Hairdressing students presented – “Women on Farms in 1915” in the Yooralla office windows in Bridge Street as part of the Benalla Festival. This very successful production formed part of the students’ VET assessment for 2015 and was attended by many members of the school and wider Benalla community.

As part of the still-life display our students wanted to acknowledge how tough it was for women to run the farm as well as care for their families while their husbands were away at war. The women sometimes endured extreme conditions of the harshness of the country life, whilst maintaining family, farm and house-work duties. However, society still expected the women to present themselves well and hair styles of this era were an integral part of this.

Overalls were seen to be fashionable and worn by the younger women at this stage of the war. This was far more practical for manual work but was still frowned upon by certain classes of women. Hence particular hair-styles and make up became even more important to these young women.

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They would also like to acknowledge their VET Hairdressing trainer, Helen Roscoe, for her hard work and dedication over several months to prepare for this professional exhibition of their skills and talents.

Taitum Maiwald, Jasmine Dahl, Tayla Blyss and Bridie Willan

PHOTO 1 – Bridie Willan with model, Mia Calder
PHOTO 2 - Senior VET Hairdressing students and their models. Taitum Maiwald, Becky Webster, Jasmine Dahl, Jessica Stocker, Jemma Kaine, Tayla Blyss, Mia Calder and Bridie Willan.

PHOTO 3 - Mia Calder in still-life display

PHOTO 4 - Mia Calder and Jessica Stocker in still-life display
PHOTO 5 – Becky Webster in window still-life display
PHOTO 6 – Jemma Kaine in window still-life display

PHOTO – Bridie Willan and parent looking at Still

Life Catwalk