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BOISE, ID, UNITED STATES, June 2, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The heart of Idaho's <u>fashion</u> scene is pulsing with energy this week as <u>Boise Fashion Week</u> (BFW) returns with more creative firepower than ever before. This year's showcase promises to be a landmark celebration of design, diversity, and innovation with 15 spectacular runway showcases and 30 talented designers presenting their collections in one of the city's most iconic locations — the Boise Train Depot.

With the theme "Setting Fashion into Locomotion," BFW 2025 is embracing the spirit of movement, transformation, and momentum, all set against the vintage charm and architectural grandeur of the historic Train Depot. This inspired venue offers more than just a breathtaking backdrop — it captures the cultural and artistic dynamism that defines the fashion-forward direction of Boise's design community.

A Platform in Motion

Now headed into its 3rd year, Boise Fashion Week–a nonprofit– has grown into a marquee event for emerging and established designers, attracting thousands of attendees, influencers, media, and tastemakers. As BFW's reputation expands, it continues to prioritize inclusivity, sustainability, and creative authenticity — giving a stage to designers who aren't afraid to speak through their stitching.

"This year's theme, 'Setting Fashion into Locomotion,' reflects our belief that fashion is not static — it's an engine," said Erica Becker, Executive Director of Boise Fashion Week. "Every stitch, every silhouette, every story told on the runway is part of a larger movement. And what better venue to capture that momentum than the Boise Train Depot — a literal and symbolic hub of journeys, arrivals, and departures."

The depot, a historic architectural gem perched above the city, offers panoramic views, vaulted ceilings, and a design steeped in both Art Deco elegance and Western heritage. Its railway roots serve as a fitting metaphor for fashion's role in cultural transport and evolution.

The Designers: A 30-Strong Collective of Vision

This year's BFW lineup boasts 30 designers whose work spans eveningwear, streetwear, avant-

garde couture, sustainable fashion, and adaptive apparel. While many are beloved names in the regional fashion scene, BFW 2025 also welcomes several first-time participants, including designers from diverse backgrounds who bring new textures and perspectives to the runway.

Returning crowd favorites like Oxana Ake will showcase bold new pieces, while fresh talents like Ashlie LaTourne debut collections that are pushing innovation with the fusion of technology and textile.

Each of the 15 shows is curated around a unique narrative or style, creating a multi-sensory journey for guests. Live music, digital projections, and interactive installations will complement the fashion, making every runway event not just a presentation, but a full experience.

A Community Affair

Boise Fashion Week is more than a series of runway shows. It's a year-long celebration of community, collaboration, and cultural growth. Beyond the catwalk, the community can look forward to:

Pop-up shops and local maker markets featuring jewelry, fashion accessories, home goods and fragrances.

Industry panels and workshops hosted by stylists, editors, and sustainability experts, aimed at educating aspiring creatives.

Networking mixers and VIP events for artists, fashion professionals, and media to connect and collaborate.

Local businesses and sponsors have rallied behind BFW 2025, underscoring the event's positive economic and cultural impact. From restaurants to photographers, makeup artists to set designers, dozens of community members have played key roles in bringing this vision to life.

A Locomotive of Change

True to its theme, this year's Boise Fashion Week emphasizes momentum — not just in fashion, but in how fashion intersects with other urgent dialogues: environmental impact, representation, technology, and resilience. Organizers have taken steps to make BFW 2025 one of the most environmentally responsible events yet, with reusable set materials, minimal packaging, and carbon-offset partnerships in place.

"We're in a moment where fashion can lead to meaningful change," said BFW's Design Director, Laura Rabehl. "And in Boise, we're not waiting for the world to notice — we're setting our own pace. Our designers aren't just following trends; they're charting new tracks."

Ticketing, Access, and Media Opportunities

Each day the doors will open at 6pm for shopping and the events will run daily from 7:30 PM to

9:30 PM throughout the 3 day event. <u>Tickets</u> can be found on <u>www.BoiseFashionWeek.com</u>.

Press passes are available upon request, with designated media lounges, access to designer interviews, and photography areas.

Closing Show: Grand Finale on the Tracks

The week will culminate in a Grand Finale Showcase on Saturday, June 7th — a collaborative show featuring a selection of standout looks from across the nation. This special closing event, set quite literally "on the tracks" of the Train Depot platform, will be an immersive fusion of fashion, performance art, and live music — a celebration of movement, both literal and metaphorical.

As the sun sets over Boise and the trains of history rumble in the backdrop, fashion will take its place center stage, illuminated by creativity, courage, and a community in motion.

About Boise Fashion Week

Boise Fashion Week a nonprofit that is Idaho's premiere fashion event, designed to support and spotlight innovative designers, foster industry connections, and elevate the city's cultural presence on the national stage. With a strong focus on sustainability, education, and inclusion, BFW continues to empower creatives of all kinds to shape the future of fashion.

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