



An Night of Fashion Magic

FROM

Agustín Torralbo

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The lights at the Hotel Incosol exhibition marquis dimmed.

The spotlights came on as attractive TV compare, Cristina Pita, and event organiser, Morten Røngaard, opened “Marbella, Marbella” - Spanish designer Agustín Torralbo’s Couture winter collection show, so named after the music written by Dario Poli in support of Dario’s campaign promoting a positive image for Marbella.

In a short speech, Cristina introduced the marvellous Welsh tenor Steve Lloyd-Morgan, who — with a fine vocal solo — welcomed the 400 or so guests with an invitation to raise their glasses (filled with the new “Marbella Marbella” wine) in a toast to the City of Marbella. With great gusto he began the famous Brindisi drinking song, from Verdi’s popular opera ‘La Traviata’, which received thunderous applause. He completed his set by a performing a song from the musical ‘Starlight Express’.

Dynamic singer Yanela Brooks, wearing a dress designed by Agustín Torralbo, took to the stage and sang two up-tempo songs, including ‘Disco Inferno’. Morten followed by thanking his sponsors — the Danish bank Nykredit, the Danish Football Club OB, Fischer Mercedes of Marbella, the Scandinavian magazine Solkysten, and Enkvist Wines. The fashion show began with a steady stream of elegant models and starting with younger ladies wearing modern, well-designed dresses for fashion-conscious girls. This was followed by Agustín’s new evening and bridal wear collection in a variety of eye-catching, stunning designs that received spontaneous rounds of applause from the audience — some of whom were buyers from Madrid and as far as the Middle East.

Torralbo’s brilliant use of materials, some outfits adorned with decorative floral bouquets, perfectly enhanced the femininity and figures of the women wearing them.

Set to calls for an encore, Agustín Torralbo led all of his models back onto the catwalk for a final display of the entire “Marbella Marbella” collection. He was

received with tumultuous applause and the show was brought to a dazzling finale when Yanela Brooks entered the stage once again and sang her own interpretation of the song that started it all — “Marbella Marbella” in Spanish.

Morten then announced the winners of the raffle,

the top prize being a choice of designer dress from the show. He and Cristina then handed out bouquets of flowers to the sponsors. Walter Fischer, the owner of Mercedes Marbella and a staunch supporter of the Marbella campaign, was on hand with three magnificent cars — one being the latest Lamborghini, adding an extra touch of glamour to the event.

A special thanks must be accorded to hard working Morten Røngaard for successfully organising “Marbella Marbella” from inception to finale, and who was also responsible for raising sponsorship money and the raffle prizes.

Videos of the show and the song can be seen on www.marbellamarbella.es

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Dario Poli, Gina Fornell (wearing a torralbo dress) and Steven Lloyd-Morgan