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KOLLISION Fashion Show Presented by Minika Ko and COPE NYC

March 9th 4:30-8PM at 630 Flushing Ave, Brooklyn, NY, 11206

Minika Ko and COPE NYC Present KOLLISION Fashion Show for International Women's Day

Brooklyn, NY – COPE NYC is delighted to announce its collaboration with Minika Ko for the upcoming KOLLISION runway on Saturday, March 9th, where fashion, music, technology and visual arts intersect with a vision of the future of female power. In celebration of International Women's Day and Women's History Month, artists across all mediums will showcase their creations with Minika Ko's KOVASKY collection as a canvas. These wearable works of art will be shown on the runway and will be available for purchase in a charity auction.

KOLLISION's fundraising aims to support refugee turned supermodel, Mari Malek's, Stand for Education #nopadnoschool campaign. Malek hopes to supply 1000 girls in South Sudan with a year's worth of menstrual hygiene products. A portion of the fundraising will extend to designing family rooms for Little Flower Children and Family Services of New York through COPE NYC.

The pre-show party kicks off at 4:30pm. Come sip wine, mingle, and enjoy live music. Meet Mari Malek at the HerStory talk and learn how she advocates for children in South Sudan. Explore COPE NYC's *Obsessive Sea* gallery exhibit. Check out the pop-up shop for KOVASKY: the high performance fashion line for the power woman on the go. The runway show starts at 6pm. We invite you to join us to support a good cause and have an unforgettable experience.

The KOLLISION show is produced by Minika Ko and COPE NYC and supported by a female-led production team, including LL Moves dance performance, MBD Beauty hair and makeup, Be Brilliant styling, Eco Fashion Expo operational team, and SUSTAIN Magazine media relations. Additional sponsors include Couture Modeling Agency and Bronx Brewery.

KOLLISION features artists: 81Neutronz, A-Natural, Aislinn Foley, Amanda Sommers, Anu Sieunarine, Ashley Liu, Aubrey Roemer, Ben Cockerham, Brooklyn Buzzy, Caitlin Caliendo, Cass Jones, Chandelle Heffner, Danielle Eden, Erika Fujyama, Flora Chen, Habiba Trisa, Jace Kaufman, Jacob Baron, Joseph Loli, Josephine Barreiro, Kanika Tibrewal, Lady K Fever, Lauryn McCrimon, Lawrence Gabriel Castillo, Leah Osann, Lesley Wamsley, Lindsey Miller, Lu Liu, Lysem Kilen, Mary Tooley Parker, Melita Osheowitz, Miri Orenstein, Natie, Nina Edwards, Philippe Numa Jr., Rania Cornelia & Maddy Blumen, Renee Phillips, Sadaf Padder, Sui Park, Sumo Bunni, Tanu Vasu, Thunderlily, Tzuting Tsai, Vanessa Sun, Yen Yen Chou

About KOLLISION

KOLLISION is a collaborative fashion show created by Minika Ko that invites artists of all mediums to use fashion to challenge preconceptions and explore ideas. KOLLISION debuted during New York Fashion Week in 2017 with the theme Goddess and Gladiator: an exploration of the duality of female power and identity.

KOLLISION Fashion Show 2019 focuses on the female power of the future and will be held at the Acumen Capital Partners LLC Building (formerly Pfizer) in Brooklyn.

About Minika Ko

Minika Ko takes inspiration from strong female figures and creates women's wear that exude confident femininity. She was a fashion designer in France, Taipei, and Los Angeles before starting her own design studio in NYC. Minika brings her global experiences to the world of fashion, designing with today's adventurers in mind — the courageous, independent, modern woman. She launched the high-performance fashion line KOVASKY at New York Fashion Week. Minika also designs custom wear for private clients.

About COPE NYC

COPE NYC, founded by Vida Sabbaghi, offers local, national, and international organizations opportunities to foster the intersection of creativity among diverse communities. COPE NYC celebrates a collaboration of artists of all mediums, to produce works greater than the sum of their parts. Sabbaghi's outreach enables thousands of students to tour exhibits and participate in related workshops.

About Stand for Education

Stand For Education, Inc. is a not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) organization registered in the state of New York that is dedicated to providing access to educational resources for the underserved children in war-ravaged countries who reside in US and abroad, with a special focus on girls in South Sudan and environs.

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