

Georgetown girl stars in British reality TV show

Oliver reaches Catwalk's final three

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It's down to the wire for Chelsey Oliver of Georgetown on the British show *Project Catwalk* currently being aired in Canada.

The show, which ran in Britain earlier this year and where the winner has already been picked, is being shown in Canada on the Slice network and Oliver, 21, has made it to the final three.

Oliver, who moved to London to attend London's College of Fashion, will compete in the final episode next week with Jasper Garvida (also a Canadian) and Viv Whelan.

Each of the remaining contestants—there were 13 to start with—had to create a 12-piece women's wear collection to be presented on the catwalk as part of London Fashion Week.

Each finalist was given 5,000 pounds to buy all the material, accessories etc. for their garments and taken to a place of their choice they felt would inspire their collection.

Oliver, a Georgetown District High School graduate, who is half-British, tried out for the show last year with many other fashion students.

"I really thought there was no way I would get in," said Oliver, from London. "I did it. I didn't hear anything for a month, then forgot about it."

Last June they called her for an inter-



CHELSEY OLIVER

view and after weeding through hundreds of applicants Oliver was chosen.

"They almost didn't take me. I was the 13th and I was the wild card," said Oliver.

In the show, she said she, "basically came off as a bit of a bitch," and "kind of the villain."

Regardless of the outcome of the competition— we won't give anything away for those who have been watching the program— Oliver said she had a great time on the show.

"I loved it. It was a lot of fun. You make some good friends. It's a good start for

my career," said Oliver, who currently designs for a maternity wear company and works as a plus-size model.

She started sewing when she was six years old.

As she got older she made her own clothes, but "I shied off a bit because it wasn't really cool to sew."

But she said she designed and made prom dresses for her friends.

The winning designer of *Project Catwalk* will get to design their own exclusive clothing line for Oli, and receive 25,000 pounds in prize money from Oli to help launch their collection, and a spread in *Grazia* magazine.

Viewers will know Monday night who the winner of *Project Catwalk* is. The show will air on Slice at 10 p.m. It will re-air at 1 a.m. Tuesday, and 3 p.m. Sunday.

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Georgetown veterinarian Nancy Hull snapped this photo of a fawn in northeast Georgetown recently. She says residents often mistakenly believe the animals have been abandoned and should leave them alone.

Photo by Nancy Hull

Leave fawns alone, vet urges

A Georgetown veterinarian is urging residents to not "rescue" newborn fawns that have been spotted on area trails.

Nancy Hull, a veterinarian at the Georgetown Animal Clinic on Mountainview Road, says well-meaning people, thinking they have found an "abandoned" fawn, have brought the young white-tailed deer into her clinic in the past unnecessarily.

"These fawns are not abandoned and they should be left alone," says Hull.

Hull says people coming across a fawn sometimes mistakenly believe the animal has been abandoned by its mother.

"To help avoid predation the doe will carefully hide her young in vegetation," says Hull. "She will then go away to browse and not return for several hours. The fawn will instinctively stay where its mother has hidden it."

Hull says the newborns have no scent and their spotted coats help with camouflage.

"If you find a fawn, enjoy the special moment, take a picture if you can and then quietly move away, rest assured that Mum will be back in a few hours."

If you find an animal truly in distress there are a number of organizations that can help, says Hull, among them the Toronto Wildlife Centre (416-631-0662), Rabbit Rescue (905-877-6745), Raccoon Rescue (877-936, 6573) and Hawkeye Injured Birds of Prey (519-853-3323).