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# Catwalk for a Cause

*Three hot lingerie companies joined forces for a fund-raising fashion show to benefit the 7Bar Foundation.*

ON FEBRUARY 7, three top lingerie companies hit the catwalk together for the first time in the United States to raise money for impoverished women around the world. Hosted by Eva Longoria Parker and former Victoria's Secret model Veronica Webb, Lingerie Miami—led by founder Renata Mutis Black—and the 7Bar Foundation brought Agent Provocateur, Fifi Chachnil Couture, and Carine Gilson Couture to Vizcaya Museum and Gardens for an over-the-top fashion fund-raiser.

Designed by Julie Mansfield of J Mansfield and produced by Everlast Productions, the dinner and catwalk were set up on the back terrace of the historic mansion, which was drenched in soft colorful lighting. In a departure from the ordinary, rectangular tables of 12 took the place of the traditional rounds used at many galas. Draped in crisp white linens and topped with tightly bound red-rose centerpieces, the tables were accented with gold place settings and crystal wine and water glasses with gold detailing.

After the nearly 450 guests were seated, Fifi Chachnil and Carine Gilson debuted their latest collections to the music of former model DJ Ève Salvail.

Touch Catering served a three-course meal, beginning with a spicy seared tuna tataki and a red onion salad, followed by Black Angus beef tenderloin with Boursin blue cheese butter accompanied by mashed potatoes and an assortment of baby vegetables. Dessert was a trio of white, milk, and dark chocolate mousses served with fresh berries and a vanilla cookie.

Following dinner, guru Deepak Chopra spoke about the state of the world today and the microfinance initiative the event was benefiting, whose aim is to assist thousands of women making less than a dollar a day in impoverished nations around the world.

The evening wrapped up with the final fashion show, from Agent Provocateur, before many headed to SET nightclub on South Beach for the official after-party.

More than \$200,000 was raised from ticket sales and the silent and live auctions, the latter of which included items such as a kiss from Longoria Parker and a private tour of the *Desperate Housewives* set, which went for \$35,000.

—D. Channing Muller

## Lingerie Miami

**Catering** Touch Catering  
**DJ** Ève Salvail  
**Event Design, Management** J Mansfield  
**Lighting Design/Equipment, Production, Sound** Everlast Productions  
**Power** Sidram Power  
**PR** Harrison & Shriftman  
**Valet** Mac Parking



More than 450 guests attended the event, staged on the back terrace of the historic mansion.



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