



Mountain Yam Ming-Fai
Category: Party
Group: Student

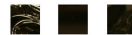
Mr Yam decided to enter the Party category by designing an evening bag for women. He ignored the usual velvet, satin and sequins or lamé fabrics and chose engraved wood and leather. He called it Engraving Character.

“Women these days are independent and tough”, he says, “I was inspired by the strong women in the work force who fight their way to the top, or hold down well-paying executive jobs so they can help their families, at the same time having children and bringing them up. They have to be much stronger than men to do all this and for them I designed a rectangular clutch bag in two different kinds of leather, with engraved wooden panels at the sides. It is feminine but strong and practical, just as they are. The different types of leather, shiny and opaque provide a contrast to each other. The materials are all black but the surfaces provide contrast.”

Mr Yam also won the student section of the Party category winning a total of US\$1,500 (\$1,000 for the Grand Prize and \$500 for the category win). He is a student of the Institute of Textiles and Clothing of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University where (at the time) he was taking a course on Women’s Wear fashion and marketing.

Engraving character

Nowadays, women are in the working group and they are embracing themselves with strong and sophisticated characters. In this design, engraved woods and leathers are used to represent a tough side of women.



Engraved wood goes with two leathers in black color.

