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The CFI is a group of young artists, fashion designers, models and other prominent figures in the fashion industry. CFI's goal is to provide an essential role in the growth, promotion and opportunities of the Cleveland fashion community by helping creative entrepreneurs develop the business and professional skills needed to become successful. "As a group we feel that the Cleveland fashion industry needs to move as a unit, there is so much talent in Cleveland if we move as one we will take over the world" said our very own Paul Sadler.

Recently YBM had a photo shoot along with a few designers, 25 models and multiple makeup artists and hair stylists. It was a meeting of creative minds. The designers, Def Native, Antion Zhabach, Ryan Peoples, Love and Rock Clothing, Chris Deighan and YBM, are all from different walks of life working together and collaborating on ideas.

"L&R Clothing features an eclectic mix of pieces ranging from Tees with all original graphics and hand-painted details to one-of-a-kind hand-painted dresses. We're building a fashion dynasty thread by thread," said Love and Rock Clothing designer D. Hayes. Zbarzh, 27, and Peoples, 19, work together to do handmade women's fashions. Zbarzh, who attends Virginia Marti College of Art and Design, came to America just a few years ago from Russia and has been into fashion since he was a child.

Burnetta Baethany, 27, a stylist, makeup artist and model along with her daughter Tyonna Simmons, age 6. Currently she is a student at Remington College pursuing her cosmetology license. "I love everything about the fashion industry and I love to make people look good. My daughter and I love to take pictures," she said.

Def Native Clothing is made by James Quaries, 23, and Robert Krumholz, 21. These guys are phenomenal! They are graphic designers, artists and have their own music group. The art is like no other and is going to make a mark in the fashion industry. Deighan, 22, is a Case student and an artist. His art is very deep. He goes into another world while he is drawing it seems. Last

But not least you have YBM clothing www.ybmtrend.com , made by Paul Sadler age 24. YBM is a hand-painted clothing line that has extended its style to female dresses and hoodies that all can be seen on the website.

From what I've seen this is the beginning of something that Cleveland has never seen. A movement of young artists with positive vibes all working together. This group is going to take the Cleveland fashion industry to the next level and around the country. The energy in the room while this group is together is crazy. For more information about the Cleveland fashion Incubator please contact Paul Sadler at (216) 832-7153 or ybmtrend@aol.com .

We are more than open to feedback so readers may also send in tips that may have them featured in the next column. All feedback can be sent to ybmtrend@aol.com