MODEST

MODEST Magazine: Muslim Women, Fashion, and the Media

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IT ALL BEGAN...

Rise of Modest Fashion

- Lack of authentic and inclusive representation
- Need to fill that gap
 - Create a magazine



Fig. 1 Global Islamic Economy Report 16-17 (Reuters).

ACADEMIC BACKBONES

Oriental stereotypes lead people to believe veil is exclusive to a singular region of the world...it's NOT! (Said, Orientalism).

Veil has existed in many societies for different purposes (Burghartz, "Covered Women? Veiling in Early Modern Europe").

It is a shifting symbol, change in media in a post 9/11 world (Burridge, "Opening the Problem).

Muslim bloggers take charge of their identity (Lewis, Muslim Fashion: Contemporary Style Cultures).

The Magazine is Born

MODEST magazine aims to INSPIRE women, embracing and celebrating <u>all types</u> of modest fashion and lifestyles.

- Online Magazine
- Website

(Sternadori & Santos Silva)





MAGAZINE ANATOMY

AUTUMN/WINTER 18 ISSUE

- Exclusives
 - Shades of Beauty, Designer Interview
- Style
 - Trend Reports, Styling Articles
- Beauty
 - Skincare trends, Makeup blogger article
- Lifestyle
 - Navigating identities, feminism and fashion, local businesses



Sarya Malak Logo



Halal and Organic Skincare



"Being British and Muslim" Sara x Zaynah

<u>Leadership & Social</u> <u>Change</u>

Initiative to create something that didn't exist

Inventing the wheel

Facing challenges that come with this

Being passionate about your work

LESSONS LEARNED, INSIGHTS GAINED

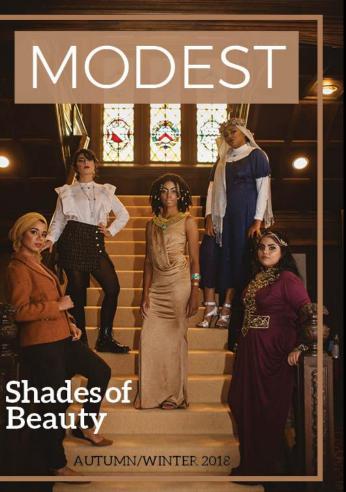
- Working with others can be challenging and rewarding
- Important to believe in the importance of your work
- Quality over quantity
- Preparation makes all the difference

IMPACT & FUTURE

- Opened a whole new world of discourse
 - Creating bridges for connection
- A safe space for people to express themselves
- Hoping to keep the magazine going...Spring/Summer Issue?
 - Encompass other faiths (Judaism, Christianity, etc.)

LOOKING AHEAD...FUTURE SCHOLARS

- Participate by contributing to the magazine
- Asking questions on how fashion, identity, and religion can all come together
- Be creative, opportunities are as endless as our imaginations



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