

Colglazier attends modeling expo

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Megan Colglazier attended the Mike Beaty Model & Talent Expo in Dallas, Texas June 22-27. Auditions to attend took place in Denver this April, after being recommended by the John Casablancas Modeling and Career Center of Denver and passing the initial screening with Model and Talent Management (MTM).

In the preliminary screening Colglazier was assessed based on her resume and head shot. During the two-day audition, she was screened for the runway and a cold reading, getting a callback for the second day.

In addition to auditioning in modeling and acting, Colglazier auditioned in dance, passing each of her three screenings, including a video and two live auditions.

Over 600 John Casablancas graduates from the Denver area were nominated to Amy Watkins of MTM, who is one of the industry's leading model and talent scouts. She scouts all over the United States throughout the year for the Model & Talent Expo.

Watkins narrowed the 600 down to 200 who were invited to the April audition. Of the 200, 30 were selected to attend the expo in Dallas.

Colglazier had this opportunity because she received an invitation for an interview at the John Casablancas Center last summer. John Casablancas Center gives training for modeling, acting photo shoots, make up and personal development.

Colglazier enrolled at the school, where she attended 20 classes in Denver beginning in July 2009 and ending this January. She had a graduation with a presentation of her monologue and a runway show choreographed by Merrill Carsh, the Denver MTM agent.

Prior to attending the expo, additional classes were offered at the JC Center in May and June. Colglazier also completed a photo shoot with Deano Kaye of Minnesota for comp cards and a commercial head shot.

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While at the expo, Colglazier was busy attending workshops and participating in runway showcases. “The expo was a wonderful educational experience along with the opportunity to showcase talent to scouts, managers and casting directors in the entertainment industry,” Colglazier said.

Colglazier was one of 500 male and female participants of all ages. On the opening night she did a runway showcase, wearing an MTM t-shirt and introducing herself. Other showcases included sportswear and a finale in all black.

Fifty agents were present for the showcases, representing agencies from New York, Los Angeles, Dallas, Paris, Tokyo, Nashville and Atlanta.

During the week she also attended acting workshops and presented a one minute memorized monologue, participated in a two-person dialogue and a cold read.

“The Convention Expo was an experience of a lifetime,” Colglazier said. Highlights included a meet and greet night when she had the opportunity to meet Mike Beaty, the founder of the Expo. She also met with 11 industry agents, giving them comp cards while they reviewed her portfolio.

Agents she met with represented such companies as Frontier Booking, Jamie Ferrer, Visage, VH1 and Disney.

“I was excited to hear from my Denver agent that I received a booking while at the Expo, but I was unable to complete the contract as I had a previous summer commitment.” Colglazier commented.

Megan is the daughter of Harvey and Nancy Colglazier. A 2010 HHS graduate, she plans to attend Aims Community College in Greeley, majoring in radiology technology this fall. She will also continue in the modeling industry with her upcoming bookings.

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