

## **Fabric manipulation as a fashion inspiration source for children clothes**

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### ***Abstract:***

During the whole design process sources of inspiration plays a major role, where it is considered the spark for creation. For this reason the designers usually search for novel inspiration sources to innovate new designs catching the eye of customer. The art of fabric manipulation was used in this work as a nontraditional inspiration source to create novel children clothes. Cotton fabric was chosen to accomplish the created designs after dyeing by reactive dye via tie and dye technique. Three ideas of fabric manipulation which are layering and slashing, applique and cut surface quilting in addition to the accomplished clothes were analyzed aesthetically according to the elements and principles of fashion design. From the aesthetic analysis it was observed that, the using of fabric manipulation art as inspiration source facilitated the design process and assisted in creating cheerful, joyful and unconventional children clothes.

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