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SF Unzipped: the digital version of your triple nonfat half-caff soy latte, with one shot of fashion, one shot beauty, one shot shopping and a whip of the BayArea's amusing trends.

By Laura Compton, Leonardo DaSilva, Anastasia Hendrix, Beth Hughes, Dino-Ray Ramos, Sylvia



Lorraine Sanders

Dixie, adopted from Rocket Dog Rescue, has been happily running the author's life since 2005.

Normally speaking, exclamations of, "Now, that's a real dog!" and "Look at the tail on that one!" wouldn't be the kind of audience feedback a fashion show producer would hope for. But those are just the kinds of murmurs you're likely to overhear during a fashion event this week benefiting [Rocket Dog Rescue](#).

"We're having dogs in the fashion show. They're going to be wearing some really stylish collars and hoodies," says Gautam "G" Sodera, who is putting on the Thursday night event at Polk Street venue Mayes with the help of [Revival](#) boutique owner Salpi Sleiman.

There will also be two-legged models in the show, whose proceeds benefit the longtime local dog rescue and adoption nonprofit organization's programs and services. Together Sleiman and Sodera, who runs street style blog [Avant-Gardist.com](#), have gathered local designers and boutiques to showcase a total of 30 to 35 looks during the event. There will be clothing and accessories culled from the racks of retailers such as The Mission Statement, BellJar, True, Loyal Army, Five & Diamond, Dema and Goorin Bros., among others.

A Night of Fun, Fashion and Fidos takes place Thursday, May 20, from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Mayes (fashion show starts at 10 p.m.), 1233 Polk St., [www.mayesf.com](#). Admission is \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. To attend, RSVP to g (at) theavant-gardist (dot) com.

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