

Get On The Bus: Bettina Hubby's Los Angeles

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To kick off Los Angeles fashion week, artist-cum-fashion designer Bettina Hubby staged a different sort of show on Sunday. More than 40 guests were treated to a three-hour bus tour of Hubby's East L.A. haunts, each setting the stage for a specially commissioned performance and a new addition to HubbyCo, her reconfigured clothing collection. "L.A. is so many cities to so many different people, and I wanted to pay homage to the places in my neighborhood that make it such a well-rounded place," explained Hubby, whose work is being showcased in Silver Lake's A+R boutique through November 2. Her L.A. is a more eclectic place than one might expect, as evidenced by the tour's vignettes—a tranquil, nature-inspired a capella number and foliage-festooned

jumpsuits atop Barnsdell Art Park; a pair of sweetly appliquéd dresses with matching floral headpieces at her local florist; and even a rousing lap dance by performance artist Peggy Pabustan, at Hubby's strip club of choice, Cheetah's, a stop that solved the puzzle of the tour bus' poles and mirrored floors.

—Erin Magner

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