



Irene Wiki's winning knitwear combination.



William Daniels shows he knows a thing or two about modelling a winning ethnic design costume — the Hato Petera former pupil's costume designed by Mihi Johnson.

popular Grecian-styled cream evening outfit in three pieces by Mrs Green. It featured a see-through cap hemmed with feathers in korowai fashion, and the dress had a low swing over one hip outlined in braided Maori motif. Romoana Heremaia was the model.

Another highly commended garment was also by Mrs Green, a man's cross-over shirt with no collar, and motifs decorating the borders, entered in youth casual wear section.

Compere Phillip Munro said the 80 odd entries were a record for the awards.

The judges were Southern Maori MP Whetu Tirikatene-Sullivan, fabrics expert Natallie Marshall, and graphic designer Sandy Adsett.

Mrs Tirikatene-Sullivan was applauded by the more than 500-strong audience when she said she would like to see a school of Maori fine arts established in New Zealand to develop such arts and help to develop a market and an image for the country's indigenous art.

The ceremony was followed by a concert in Te Awamutu last night featuring the Patea Maori Club, whose song Poi E has climbed high on the country's hit parades.



Hoani models Thea Green's winning children's wear.



A dazzled Mrs Te Kanawa collects the trophy