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**SYRACUSE TO HOST CANINE FASHION SHOW IN
DOWNTOWN'S NEW URBAN SPACE WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

Partnering with Syracuse Fashion Week, the “Dressed to the K-9’s” Dog Fashion Show Will Welcome Dapper Dogs and Their Handlers Into Downtown’s New Urban Space

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – The City of Syracuse will host the first “Dressed to the K-9’s” Fashion Show in Downtown’s New Urban Space, the former Common Center Plaza and Perseverance Park, at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14. Dogs from across Central New York will participate and their handlers are encouraged to coordinate.

This event is a partnership between the City of Syracuse and Syracuse Fashion Week, organized each year to promote awareness of the fashion industry in Central New York and showcase local clothing retailers. This is the first fashion event taking place in Downtown’s New Urban Space.

Earlier this summer, the City hosted a “Date Night in the Park” with a swing dance class, a “Playdate in the Park,” and a concert with the Stan Colella All-Star Band. Last year, as part of the City’s renovation efforts, an ice cream social was held in the park to solicit public input for the design team.

Last year, the Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency (SURA) awarded an RFP for design and construction of a new public space concept at this site to a team including Imelk urban design and Balmond Studio. They were advised by a jury of experts in design, public art, landscape architecture, and community engagement who recommended the team that will create a new public space. The artists’ work is featured in global cities on multiple continents. Balmond was profiled in the New Yorker for his art in 2007.

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