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BEST LOCAL PRINTS

Hawai'i resident Tsia Carson moved to the Islands from New York last year, and her beautiful, contemporary line of resortwear, **Language of the Birds**, is a perfect, sophisticated blend of the aesthetics of the two places. Think eye-catching prints in an East Coast-style with loose and open cuts ideal for the tropics. Carson, who has a background in user-experience design and brand planning, made the move to fashion design last year, crafting the sleek, modern silhouettes herself, and teaming up with New York-based textile designer Gina Gregario for the standout patterns, which include bright firecracker and rustic village-inspired prints. Plus, Language of the Birds pieces are ethically produced, without the use of foreign sweatshops: The pieces are cut and sewn in New York, and the fabrics are hand silk-screened in Rhode Island. Available at *La Muse, 1156 Nu'uamu Ave., ofthebirds.com*

Pon Pon shorts, \$48



Best NEW BEACH LINEUP

Meet Guava Shop's new beach apparel collection, **Pon Pon**. Reason one why we love it so much: It's light as the wind, soft as a baby's bum and its fresh colors are simply yummy. Ok, maybe that's more than one. But we dream of wearing these perennial sellers 24 hours a day. Of course, we know it's not groundbreaking that someone in Hawai'i creates beach attire, but Guava owners Liz House and Kai Cost live the coastal lifestyle on O'ahu's North Shore and understand what styles, materials and colors really bring home

the happy post-beach vibe. They have always wanted something fun and sexy that could take them from the sand to a stool at their favorite pau hana stop.

By using a shibori tie-dye treatment, which brings in texture and colorful noise to each piece, flowy maxi dresses, mini shorts, summery frocks and relaxed rompers get splashed with vibrant watercolor patterns in ocean blue, key-lime green, and, of course, guava pink. *Hale'iwa Store Lots, 637-9670*

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Best in Class

➡➡ Feeling a rush of old-school nostalgia, we held our own hoss elections for spring, this time with a stylish twist. Here, our picks for most likely to succeed at freshening up your wardrobe this season.



friends
4 EVA



shoots!



(left to right)

FRIENDLIEST

MYTE Shaka 14K yellow gold vermeil necklace, \$126. mytenyc.com

BIGGEST FLIRT

Virginia Paresa ruffled off-the-shoulder dress, \$165. virgiaparesa.com

MOST ATHLETIC

Salvage Public Surf Honolulu French terry sweatshirt, \$87. salvagepublic.com



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LIFE OF THE PARTY

Rumi Murakami x Language of the Birds Brin organic cotton top, \$206. rumimurakami.com

MOST LIKELY TO BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY

Ten Tomorrow Natalie asymmetrical cami, \$74. tentomorrow.com

MOST ARTISTIC

Language of the Birds Westbeth Watteau linen-cotton dress, \$350. qfthebirds.com

Inspired by the famous Westbeth artist co-op in N.Y.C.



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with a playful
graphic teardrop
tee



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MOST TALKATIVE

Quality Peoples Human graphic pocket tee, \$49. Available at **Number 808**, 66-165 Kamehameha Highway 4C, Hale'iwa, 312-1579.

MOST PHOTOGENIC

Samudra Shell Watermark photo-print tote, \$95. Available at **Aloha Superette**, 438 Lili'uokalani St., Kailua, 261-1011.

CUTEST COUPLE

Manaola Hawaii fringe leather boots, \$201. Available at **Hula Lehua**, Ala Moana Center, 944-8011.