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## **Emmy Award-winning fashion celebrity Carson Kressley will visit Philadelphia University on Thursday, March 22**

*Kressley, who gained fame on the Bravo series “Queer Eye for the Straight Guy” and now hosts “Carson-Nation,” will tour fashion design classes and speak about the fashion industry as part of the PhilaU Fashion Focus lecture series*

**PHILADELPHIA**, March 22, 2012—Carson Kressley, the Emmy Award-winning fashion celebrity who first came into the public eye on Bravo’s hit series “Queer Eye for the Straight Guy,” will talk about the fashion industry during a visit to Philadelphia University on Thursday, March 22.

Kressley will tour fashion design classes and speak with fashion students while on campus, before sitting for a Q & A open to the campus community, which will take place 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in The Tuttleman Center Auditorium.

A television star, celebrity stylist, author and fashion designer, Kressley is out to make over the world. On his latest television show, “Carson-Nation,” Kressley travels to small towns across the U.S., transforming lives one person at a time with humor and style. The one-hour reality show premiered June 2011 on OWN, the Oprah Winfrey Network.

Previously, Kressley helmed Lifetime’s critically acclaimed show “How To Look Good Naked,” and hosted ABC’s “True Beauty” from executive producers Tyra Banks and Ashton Kutcher, and “Your Own Show: Oprah’s Search for the Next TV Star” on OWN. He earned a primetime Emmy for his role on the breakout hit make-over series “Queer Eye for the Straight Guy.” Kressley is a *New York Times* best-selling author with three books to his credit including “You’re Different and That’s Super,” a children’s book promoting diversity and tolerance.

The energetic and personable Kressley is no stranger to Philadelphia University. At Philadelphia University’s 2011 Fashion Show, he introduced Spirit of Design Award recipient

Tommy Hilfiger. At the 2006 Fashion Show, then sophomore Casey Saccamanno was awarded the Carson Kressley Scholarship for outstanding design work.

Fashion is one of the most outstanding program areas at Philadelphia University, which offers programs in fashion design, fashion merchandising, fashion industry management and textile design. Graduates have gone on to work at some of the world's most celebrated fashion houses, accessory brands and retailers in the U.S., including Tommy Hilfiger, Urban Outfitters, Coach, Lily Pulitzer, Lands' End and Macy's. PhilaU fashion design alumni include William Calvert, known for his exquisitely beautiful dresses and wedding gowns, and Jay McCarroll, winner of the first season of the hit series "Project Runway."

Philadelphia University, founded in 1884, is a private university with 3,600 students enrolled in more than 60 undergraduate and graduate programs. As the model for professional university education, the University prepares students to be leaders in their professions in an active, collaborative and real-world learning environment infused with the liberal arts. Philadelphia University includes the innovative College of Design, Engineering and Commerce; the College of Architecture and the Built Environment; and the College of Science, Health and the Liberal Arts. For more information, go to [www.PhilaU.edu](http://www.PhilaU.edu).