

Reporter: *A Question Of Style*



Celebrity stylist Karen Ng answers your fashion queries.

Q How do I create a look that will draw attention to statement-making accessories like shoulder-duster earrings and spectacles? — Jorance

A Healthy, luminous skin and a modern haircut are key when you wear accessories that bring focus to your face. Personally, I find shoulder-duster earrings challenging to pull off simply because they're so eye-catching. Hence, the overall look must be well-thought through — right down to the perfect pair of shoes. To err on the side of caution, keep your outfit simple and unembellished. Think along the lines of a classic Hervé Léger bandage dress, a Dolce & Gabbana corset-bustier dress or perhaps a Gucci pantsuit. Finally, a sleek ponytail would transform this ensemble into a hot look.

However, if you are feeling experimental, check out Chanel's 2010 pre-Fall *chinoiserie*-inspired collection. The looks included



Drop earrings, by Bottega Veneta.

heavily brocaded jackets, intricately detailed tops and ornate dresses, injecting the collection with an aura of high drama! Challenge yourself and think exotic styles: Indian, Moroccan, Spanish, Russian Romanov — the possibilities are endless! Now, excuse me while I go channel my inner Cleopatra.

As for eyewear, reference Greta Garbo for cool androgyny, Eva Peron for power, Victoria Beckham for chic, Kate Moss for effortless style, and Madonna for full-on sex appeal — these women have carried off some of fashion's most iconic bespectacled looks. Here's another tip: Check out optical shops for dramatic sunglasses and have the optician replace the lenses with prescription ones. :

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Spectacles, by Gucci.



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