

Karen Walker



1983-1986

Karen Walker spent years 1983 to 1986 at Epsom Girls Grammar School and from day one she loved designing. Karen decided to pursue fashion design, as it was a career she really loved, and it gave her inspiration every day.

With a mix of energy, naivety, hard work, focus and luck, Karen was able to become a world renowned designer. She also surrounded herself with people who shared a passion for fashion, and were the 'get it done' type. Karen Walker (the brand) has expanded across the globe, with stores in 42 countries, which sell clothing, eyewear, jewellery, bags and fragrance. She has designed clothes worn by Rihanna, Natalie Portman, and Jennifer Lopez and received a World Class New Zealand Award in the Creative category.

Yet, of all Karen's achievements, making things that people treasure is her greatest success. Karen is proud of the story she has created in fashion design and future designers can draw on her style as inspiration.

"Create a clear vision and give everything you have to make your vision a reality."

