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INSIDE OUT

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There are many segments of apparel that are used in production but are not visible when worn. The problem for this garment was to utilize some of the different parts on the inside of the garment as the primary design elements on the outside. Inspired by the lingerie trends and the bright colors and unique designs of company labels "Inside Out" was created late in 1997.

Using flat pattern techniques, a black charmeuse slip dress with a cowl neck softened with netting was constructed as a background for the surface design. This design was made up of apparel company labels, wired ribbon, and a touch of black netting. The labels and ribbon were placed on the dress front asymmetrically in arching diagonals meeting in the back in a point and a bow. The end result is flowing lines of different colors and designs broken up and accented with the ribbon.

This garment is a fun and untraditional use of some of the elements used in the production of apparel. It could start a new and different way of recycling for apparel.