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*“Kick up your Heels
in Fort Worth!”*



**National Make It With Wool
Fashion Show & Awards Program**

Saturday, January 21, 2023

Omni Hotel

Fort Worth, Texas

Thank you for joining The American Sheep Industry in Fort Worth, Texas, at the annual American Sheep Industry Convention. The Make It With Wool contest promotes the beauty and versatility of wool and works with the industry by supplying lifelong consumers of wool fabrics, fibers, and yarns.

Wool is an extraordinary fiber, creating the beautiful array of garments on this fashion runway. It goes beyond the fashion to become the nation's most practical environmental cleanup material. Its versatility is unequalled. It's the fiber of tomorrow, available to consumers today.

Wool is the fiber from generations past that has a bright future as more companies, designers, and home sewers re-discover the valuable properties of the best natural fiber on the planet. A fiber that can create fabrics from the sheerest gauze to heavy duty rugs and tapestries. Wool is all around you!

The garments you see tonight, created with skill and appearing in every color and texture, are the top winners from state contests and represent hundreds of entries and many hundreds of yards of fabrics and skeins of yarn.

Many thanks to the MIWW State Directors for their dedication and promotion of the contest during the year. Also, a big "thank you" is sent out to the generous donors who support this program; your donations are a vital part of the success of the Make It With Wool contest.

Now sit back and watch our contestants "Kick up their heels...western style!" Best wishes to all the contestants! And, be sure to save the dates for next year's convention in Denver, Colorado.

Program prepared and sponsored by: The Banner Sheep Magazine

2022 WINNERS AND WOOL AMBASSADORS:



Left to Right: Maria Olsson (Mt. Mary Univ, WI), Design Winner; Marissa Sanchez (CA), Junior Winner; Lynda Johnson, National Director, Whitney Black (UT), Senior Winner; and Kim Vogley (WA), Adult Winner.

2023

MAKE IT WITH WOOL PROGRAM



AMERICAN WOOL

PRESENTATION OF FASHION SHOW:

MEIGHAN STEVENS

MC – MIWW Assistant Representative

RENATA GOOSSEN

MC – MIWW Assistant Representative

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS:

LYNDA J. JOHNSON

MIWW National Director

LOVETA BOYCE

American Sheep Industry Women President

SUSAN SHULTZ

American Sheep Industry President

ANNE CRIDER

American Wool Council Chair

CARLON STAPPER

Mohair Council of America President

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ANDREA NISLEY, NE AND KRISTINE GOOSSEN, KS

Fashion Show Coordinators

MELINDA STEVENS, AT-LARGE MIWW DIRECTOR

AND DEB DEAKIN, BANNER SHEEP MAGAZINE

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MOHAMMAD DEZFULI

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STATE DIRECTORS

NATIONAL JUDGES

MELINDA STEVENS
At Large

RALI BURLESON
Arizona

ROBYN FOOTE
Arkansas

APRIL WARD
California

GLORIA CUNDALL
Colorado

TAMMY HEMMERLY
Florida

KIM MONK
Idaho

MARILYN DONOHO
Illinois

MARIANNE DOSMANN
Indiana

KRISTINE GOOSSEN
Kansas

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Maryland

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New Mexico

MEEGAN VEEDER-SHAVE
New York

JEAN THOMAS
North Carolina

JOANA FRIESZ
North Dakota

DAPHNE HEDGECOCK
Ohio

LYNDA LATTA
Oklahoma

CHANDRA WORMAN
Oregon

LINDA SIEGEL
Pennsylvania

**ANN HANSEN &
PATTY DEZEEUW**
South Dakota

DEE WOLTERS
Tennessee

JENNIFER KULICK
Texas

KAREN WEIGHT
Utah

**ERICKA SUHRBIER &
ANN ROGGENKAMP**
Washington

LORRIE RIEMER
Wisconsin

KELLY BARLOW
Wyoming

Judging for this year's national MIWW contest was done by well-qualified individuals, including sewing and fashion professionals and wool producers. We appreciate their expertise and time; judging is never an easy job!!

LEE EVANS LEE

Founder, Owner, and Creative Designer for Mrs. Momma Bear Workwear, a fifth-generation rancher from west Texas, Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association, Texas Cattle Raisers' Association

CAROL MACY

National Make It With Wool Winner (Adult Division), former Director of Wyoming Make It With Wool

TARA MALLETT

National Make It With Wool Winner (Junior Division)

BRIAN OKELBERRY

Fifth-generation Okelberry Ranches (1860s – Present), Utah Wool Growers Association, American Sheep Industry Association

RHONDA PIERCE

Marketing Director at Euro-notions and SCHMETZ Needles

BRENDA SEIDENSTICKER

Fine wool sheep and Angora goat rancher with husband Charlie, owners of the 5-5 Farm & Ranch, former Director of Texas Make It With Wool

2022 WOOL AMBASSADORS

MARISA SANCHEZ, California
National Junior Ambassador

WHITNEY GRAHAM BLACK, Utah
National Senior Ambassador

Be a Winner with Wool!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE

NATIONAL FINALISTS



JUNIOR DIVISION	STATE	SENIOR DIVISION
-----	AT-LARGE	HALEY SMITH <i>(Arlington, VA)</i>
BRILEE MYERS <i>(Buckeye)</i>	ARIZONA	COURTNEY HATCH <i>(Tempe)</i>
-----	ARKANSAS	KATIE INOUYE <i>(Centerton)</i>
OLIVIA FRENETTE <i>(Linden)</i>	CALIFORNIA	REBEKAH KASPERSON <i>(Palmdale)</i>
MORGAN STULTS <i>(Wray)</i>	COLORADO	MARY AMOROSO <i>(Lakewood)</i>
-----	IDAHO	KAYLEE FLODIN <i>(Genesee)</i>
GEOFFREY OTT <i>(Jacksonville)</i>	ILLINOIS	CATHERINE OTT <i>(Jacksonville)</i>
JOSSLYN MASSEY <i>(Zionsville)</i>	INDIANA	ADELINE MYERS <i>(Lebanon)</i>
VANESSA JONES <i>(Wamego)</i>	KANSAS	KATIE BUHLER <i>(Wamego)</i>
JESSICA WATTS <i>(Talbot)</i>	MARYLAND	-----
ABBIE STEELE <i>(St. Michaels)</i>	MICHIGAN	KEVINA CLEAR <i>(Niles)</i>
HENRY LEMKE <i>(Watkins)</i>	MINNESOTA	GRETТА LEMKE <i>(Watkins)</i>

JUNIOR DIVISION	STATE	SENIOR DIVISION
BROGAN YOUNGREN <i>(Ronan)</i>	MONTANA	KIARA SHERMAN <i>(Ronan)</i>
EMMA OLSON <i>(Sargent)</i>	NEBRASKA	SADIE RINGENBERG <i>(Lesxington)</i>
ZOEY TOWNSEND <i>(Cullowhee)</i>	NORTH CAROLINA	NATALIE SOLANO <i>(Fayetteville)</i>
HALEY MISSLER <i>(Bryan)</i>	OHIO	HANNAH MISSLER <i>(Bryan)</i>
AVERY FISHER <i>(Okeene)</i>	OKLAHOMA	-----
MADISON COPENHAVER <i>(Lebanon)</i>	PENNSYLVANIA	NATALIE SENSENIG <i>(Denver)</i>
ISABELLE MAIROSE <i>(Kimball)</i>	SOUTH DAKOTA	NICOLE HAUCK <i>(Vermillion)</i>
JACEY SEALY <i>(Fort McKavett)</i>	TEXAS	-----
LIZZY LOWE <i>(Springville)</i>	UTAH	ALEC MIDGLEY <i>(Alpine)</i>
JOSIE JAMIESON <i>(Pasco)</i>	WASHINGTON	KAITLYN LAWSON <i>(Lakewood)</i>
BRYNDALYN KANABLE <i>(Richard Center)</i>	WISCONSIN	HOLLEY WETENBERG <i>(Watertown)</i>
MADI DUNNING <i>(Encampment)</i>	WYOMING	-----

2023 DONORS

*We are grateful to these individuals and businesses for their generous donations.
Without their support, National MIWW would not be possible.*

PLATINUM DONORS - \$2,500 AND OVER

American Sheep Industry
American Sheep Industry Women
American Wool Council

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Pendleton Woolen Mills – Portland, OR

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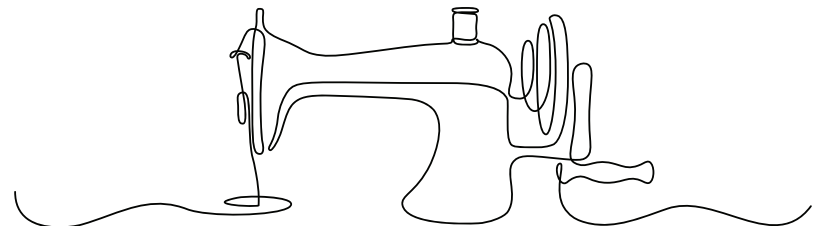
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Heidi Aleman Sorrano – Chandler, AZ
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Melinda Stevens – South Webster, OH
The Taunton Press (Threads Magazine) – Newtown, CT
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Utah Wool Marketing Association – Tooele, UT
Karen & Sean Weight – Salem, UT
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Ladder Livestock Co. – Savery, WY
Mountain Meadow Wool – Buffalo, WY
Pamela's Patterns – Vernon, CT
Sulky of America – Kennesaw, GA

The Make It With Wool National Director and State Directors gratefully acknowledge the expert assistance the staff of the Omni Fort Worth Hotel has extended to help make our event so successful. We express our deep gratitude to each of our generous donors who are the lifeblood of our promotional efforts on behalf of the American Sheep and Wool Industry!



**2023
NATIONAL ADULT WINNERS**

1st Place
SUNNI ELLINGTON
Utah

2nd Place
BRIANA BAETEN
Montana

3rd Place
JENNIFER SERR
California

4th Place
MARCELLA MATTHYS
Minnesota

5th Place
MARTHA PHELPS
Washington

6th Place
ANITA DONOHO-OTT
Illinois

2023 Adult Winner Awards

- \$500 Cash Award from American Sheep Industry
- Wool Fabric
- Subscription to *Threads* Magazine
- Sheep Pelt
- MIWW Garment Bag and Sash
- Travel Iron from National MIWW
- Trip to 2023 National MIWW, Fort Worth

**2023
NATIONAL FASHION/APPAREL
DESIGN WINNERS**

1st Place
ESTEFANIA ESPINDOLA
Houston Community College
Houston, TX

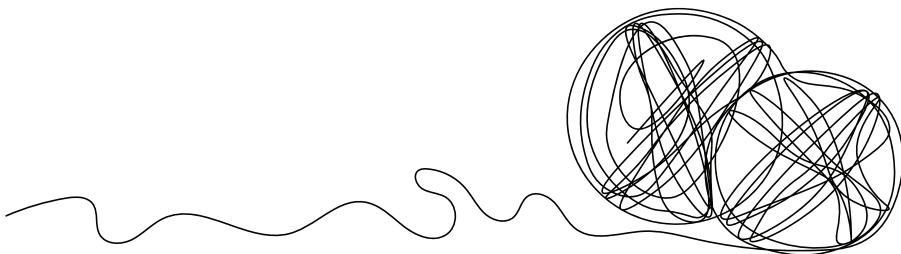
2nd Place
EMILY IVEY
Baylor University
Waco, TX

3rd Place
MADELYNNE CORDON
Baylor University
Waco, TX



**2023 Fashion/Apparel
Design Winner Awards**

- \$1,000 Scholarship from the American Wool Council
- Wool Fabric
- Subscription to *Threads* Magazine
- Sheep Pelt
- MIWW Garment Bag and Sash
- Travel Iron from National MIWW
- Trip to 2023 National MIWW, Fort Worth



SPECIAL AWARDS

Handwork

Cash award (1st place), embroidery floss, beads, and roving from National MIWW

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Outstanding Needlework

Cash award (1st place) from Center of Knit & Crochet

Wool yarn from Brown Sheep Company, Mountain Meadow Wool, and Melinda Stevens

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Exemplary Construction

Cash award and “Tailoring” Book from MIWW

Wool fabric from Dolores’ Unique Designs

- Junior _____
Senior _____

Creative Machine Embroidery

Cash award (1st place) sponsored by Luv Ewe Farm

Thread assortments from Sulky of America and MIWW

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Outstanding Use of Mohair

Cash awards sponsored by Mohair Council of America, Speck Angoras, Haby Angoras, and American Angora Goat Breeders

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Claire Shaeffer

Cash award to Jr and Sr using Claire Shaeffer Jacket or Dress Pattern

- Junior _____
Senior _____

MAKE IT WITH WOOL AWARDS

Junior Winner

- \$1,000 Scholarship from Pendleton Woolen Mills
- \$500 Cash Award from ASI Women
- \$250 Cash Award from Cathy Aleman
- Subscription to *Threads* Magazine
- Wool Fabric and Sheep Pelt
- MIWW Garment Bag and Sash
- Trip to the 2024 NMIWW Contest

Senior Winner

- \$1,500 Cash Award from ASI Women
- \$250 Cash Award from Heidi Aleman Sorrano
- Subscription to *Threads* Magazine
- Wool Fabric and Sheep Pelt
- MIWW Garment Bag and Sash
- Trip to the 2024 NMIWW Contest

All Contestants

- Wool Fabric from Pendleton Woolen Mills
- Thread Assortment from Coats & Clark
- Schmetz Gift Bags from Euro Notions
- Various sewing prizes from Sean & Karen Weight
- Tote bag and Measuring tape from National MIWW

TOP 2023 HONOREES

National Junior Winner

National Senior Winner

The National Make It With Wool Program is under the Direction of the American Sheep Industry Women.

The National Association of Secondary School Principals has placed this program on the advisory list of National Contests and Activities.



Senior

WHITNEY GRAHAM BLACK

Utah



Junior

MARISA SANCHEZ

California

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