

HOW CAN I ENTER?

- ~You may participate in one district or state competition each year where you are a legal resident.
- ~You may enter more than one garment.
- ~Garments must have been completed **after** January 1 of the current year.
- ~Use a separate form for each entry (forms may be duplicated).
- ~Pay a \$12 **non-refundable** entry fee (payable to National MIWW) for each entry in all age divisions or categories - Preteen, Junior, Senior, Adult, Made for Others, or Wearable Accessory.
- ~Complete and mail entry forms with appropriate attachments as directed on entry form.
- ~Your entry is not valid without all completed parts.
- ~Check your state requirements for entry deadline information and state fees.
- ~Past National Junior and Senior Ambassadors may not compete again in the same age division.
- ~National Adult Ambassador may not compete again for 3 years.

SPECIAL COMPETITION FOR FASHION/APPAREL DESIGN STUDENTS

For complete information:

- ~Visit: www.makeitwithwool.com
- ~Mail: self-addressed stamped business envelope to National MIWW, L. Johnson, PO Box 215, Encampment, WY 82325.
- ~Email: lyndajane13@aol.com
- ~You may participate in **either** the Fashion/Apparel Design Competition or the State MIWW Competition, not both.

Make It With Wool is sponsored by
American Sheep Industry Women

WHAT ARE THE PRIZES?

- ~Fabrics, sewing books, equipment and notions may be awarded at District, State and National levels.
- ~Junior and Senior state winners advance to the National Competition.
- ~Adult state winners send garment(s), 5"x7" photos, and 90-second video (email, DVD, or thumb drive) of themselves wearing garment(s) to National Adult Judging Contest. National Adult winner receives travel and accommodations to attend the National Competition.

SPECIAL NATIONAL AWARDS

Junior & Senior Divisions (may include)

- ~Exemplary Construction – for outstanding techniques (*donors vary*)
- ~Machine Embroidery – overall best use of machine embroidery (*donors vary*)
- ~Mohair Award – top garments using mohair fabric/yarn. (*Mohair Council of America and others*)
- ~Handwork Award - top garments using hand embroidery, beading, or hand felting techniques (*donors vary*)
- ~Needlework Award - top hand-knitted or crocheted garments (*Brown Sheep Co. and others*)

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

(may include)

\$2,000 American Sheep Industry Women
(Two winners - Junior and Senior)

\$1,000 Pendleton Woolen Mills
(Junior winner)

\$1,000 American Wool Council
(Fashion/Apparel Design)

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National Make It With Wool



Current National Winners



L to R: F/A Design winner Yiling Lai, Drexel University, PA; Adult winner Meighan Stevens, OH; Senior winner Charlotte Waldron, OH; Junior winner Madeline Douglas, IN.

NATIONAL FINALS

JANUARY 28-30, 2021

Sheraton Downtown Hotel
Denver, Colorado

National, State & District MIWW Competition Guidelines

WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES?

- To promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabrics and yarns
- To encourage personal creativity in sewing, knitting, crocheting, spinning and weaving wool fabrics and yarns
- To recognize creative skills
- To develop life skills, including:
 - *Being responsible for one's self*
 - *Being a good sport*
 - *Accepting judges' decisions*
 - *Learning about and appreciating diversity*

WHO CAN ENTER?

(age on January 1, 2020)

- Pre-teens, age 12 and under
- Juniors, ages 13-16
- Seniors, ages 17-24
- Adults, age 25 and older
- Anyone, regardless of race, creed or sex who meets age and other guidelines may participate.

WHAT CAN I ENTER?

JUNIORS, SENIORS, ADULTS, MADE FOR OTHERS MAY ENTER:

- **One-piece garment:** dress, jumper, outerwear jacket, coat or cape.
- **Two-piece garment:** outerwear coat, jacket, cape; blouse/shirt/vest or sweater **with** dress, jumper, skirt, pants or shorts.
- **Ensemble:** 3 or more garments **worn together at one time:** outerwear coat, jacket, cape; vest, blouse/shirt, and/or sweater **with** dress, jumper, skirt, pants or shorts.

PRE-TEENS MAY ENTER:

Dress, jumper, skirt, pants, shorts, vest, sweater, shirt/blouse, jacket, or a combination of garments.

MADE FOR OTHERS AND WEARABLE ACCESSORY:

District and State levels only.
Contact State Director for specific details.

ALL CONTESTANTS:

Pre-teen, Junior, Senior and Adult must select, construct, and model their own garment(s). Contestants in the Made for Others category have their "other" (the intended wearer) model the garment(s).

To be eligible, a garment must have been completed after January 1, 2020.

National Website: makeitwithwool.com

WHAT FABRICS / YARNS CAN I USE?

- 100% wool or wool blend (minimum 60% wool or specialty wool fiber) for each fashion fabric or yarn used. Specialty wool fibers include alpaca, angora, camel, cashmere, llama, mohair, and vicuna.
- The **entire garment body** (front, back, and sleeves) must be wool or wool-blend fabric. Vests worn with a suit, sport coat, or blazer may have a back of non-wool fabric. Vests worn as a top layer or with outerwear coat/jacket must have a wool back.
- Trims, facings, interfacings, linings, and underlinings may be fabrics other than wool or wool blends.

HOW CAN I BE CERTAIN MY FABRICS / YARNS ARE WOOL? TEST THEM

- All fabrics/yarns for the **Junior, Senior and Adult Divisions must be lab tested** for percentage of wool content prior to the district or state competition. Testing is optional for all other age divisions/categories.
- Contact your state or district director for information regarding procedures, including testing fees, mailing dates, etc. for your state.

WHAT ARE THE JUDGING CRITERIA?

- Appropriateness to contestant's lifestyle.
- Fit and overall appearance.
- Coordination of fabric/yarn with garment style and design.
- Contestant's presentation.
- Construction quality.
- Creativity in design and use of wool.
- Conveys/promotes the beauty, comfort, and versatility of wool.

Judging is private and decisions are final.