

FASCINATING FASCINATOR CONTEST RULES:

This fun contest is open to all participants of Fascinating Fall Fest. Limit one entry per person during the Contest.

We hope all participants will enter!

- 1) **HOW TO ENTER.** The participant must complete an official Fascinating Fascinator Contest entry available at the sign up table. You must choose one of two categories: Handmade or Store Bought.
- 2) **CONTEST TIMING.** All entries and fascinators must be completed 30 minutes prior to the start of the contest.
- 3) **JUDGING.** All eligible entries, in each category, will be narrowed to the top three by the members of the Regional Administrative Resource Staff. Britt-Helene Bonnedahl will determine the Best Fascinator in each category based on creativity, originality, and beauty. Judges decisions are final.
- 4) **AWARDS.** The winners will receive VIP seating at next year's contest for themselves and a friend!
- 5) **QUESTIONS.** Email Deb Runyon with any questions you might have. drunyon1@att.net

**Don't know what a fascinator is?
Please continue reading for a little
history of this fun headpiece.**

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What is a Fascinator?

A fascinator hat is a small ornamental headpiece that fits on the head using a headband or even a small comb. It is always lightweight and usually features feathers, beads or flowers. The use of the term "fascinator" to describe a particular form of late 20th- and early 21st-century millinery emerged towards the end of the late 20th century, possibly as a term for 1990's designs inspired by the small 1960's cocktail hats designed to perch upon the highly coiffed hairstyles of the period. Although they did not give the style its name, the milliners Stephen Jones and Philip Treacy are credited with having popularized and established fascinators.

These days it can be worn for any occasion, but mostly formal. The only purpose of a fascinator is hair decoration. The fascinator always sits at an angle on the head as if perching on top of the well-groomed hair and complementing the look of the hair. A cross between a hair accessory and a cocktail hat, a fascinator with veil is also quite common.