

# Millinery Master Class

Top London millinery houses will be sharing their secrets, tips, techniques and stories from the workroom at a unique Cheltenham Fashion Week event (<a href="www.cheltenhamfashionweek.co.uk">www.cheltenhamfashionweek.co.uk</a>) on Thursday 5th December.

Denise Innes, Director from The British School of Millinery, in conjunction with Gloucester College, will be running the Millinery master classes both for the beginner and the professional sewer. In the professional classes Milliner Bridget Bailey, of Bailey Tomlin Hats, will be sharing her skills

Sam Bawden, Co-founder of Cheltenham Fashion Week, wants to inspire fashion lovers to learn a new skill in hat making and to revive people's interest in this craft.

"Millinery has become a rare skill that very few of us posses and I am keen to revive it. I am really passionate about hats and wear them as often as I can. They should not be relegated to the occasional wedding. A well worn hat is a great way to feel stylish and can change up your outfit so easily!" Sam Bawden

The beginner's class will be an ideal introduction to the basic skills needed and those taking part will get to take home their creation at the end to wear with pride. Tickets for the workshops start from £50 and are available to purchase at <a href="https://www.cheltenhamfashionweek.co.uk">www.cheltenhamfashionweek.co.uk</a>.

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## Notes to editors

- Sam Bawden is available for interview and comment
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#### Information about the classes

#### The Master Classes: Thursday December 5th

This is a great chance for fashion Students, professional sewers and Milliners to learn from the experts.

We have many top milliners including: Bridget Bailey of 'Bailey Tomlin Hats' (who is going to share the skill she is most famous for, 'hand rolling of fabrics for flowers and trimmings').

Each session is three and a half hours long and you will get skills and tips from two Milliners in one day on the double professional session and one Milliner on the single professional session. Session times are 9.30-1pm then 2pm – 5.30pm the numbers per class are restricted to 7 people.

<u>Please Note</u>: This is only suitable for fashion Students, professional sewers and Milliners-A good knowledge of sewing is definitely required for this course.

The Double professional session is £130.00 per person for 2 sessions (This includes refreshments and a light lunch between courses and materials)

The Single professional session is £75.00 per person for one session only. Either morning or afternoon. (This only includes refreshments and materials).

### Basic Millinery for Beginners: Thursday December 5th

For those of you who have had no experience we have a course for you!

We have an absolute beginner's course for those who want to try your hand at millinery, where basic skills will be taught. After the four-hour session you will complete a basic fascinator that you can wear and take home.

<u>Please Note</u>: This course is suitable for absolute beginners and those that have basic sewing skills.

The Basic session for beginners is £50.00 per person. The numbers per class are restricted to 7 people. (This only includes refreshments and materials).

Any questions about these courses please contact Denise Innes-Spencer: 07590-536402 or e-mail info@thebritishschoolofmillinery.com