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British Sewing Awards 2018

Announcing the nominations for the
sewing industry's leading awards

*"Thank you to everyone who has
nominated. We're delighted to
reveal our final shortlist - ready
for the voting stage!"*

LUCY JOBBER, EDITOR

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The British Sewing Awards is a well-established event that is voted for by Sew readers. Not only is it a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the big brands and high-profile names that make our stitching a breeze, it also turns the spotlight onto independent stores across the UK, who offer an invaluable service to local sewers across the nation.

The 2018 British Sewing Awards nominations have been cast, and it's now time to reveal the results of the seven reader-nominated categories, as well as sharing our remaining hand-picked shortlist. Voting will officially kick-start from the October issue of Sew, on sale 23rd August, before drawing to a close on 15th November 2018. This year, we also have a panel of judges on-hand to help us choose a selection of our winners. Once the voting stage is over, the ultimate runners-up and winners will then be presented with their awards and the finalists will be featured in the March issue of Sew magazine, on sale in early 2019.



OUR JUDGING PANEL

Each personality will pick a winner from one chosen category



FRANCES TOBIN

Independent pattern designer and founder of The Maker's Atelier.



STUART HILLARD

The Great British Sewing Bee star and regular Sew columnist.



HANNAH READ-BALDREY

Best-selling author of *Flowerbomb!*, stylist and keen Instagrammer.



WAYNE HEMINGWAY MBE

Award-winning designer and founding member of The Festival of Making.



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Everyone who enters can win a prize



Win!
£1,700+
SEWING GOODIES!



DON'T MISS OUT!

Once our readers have voted, they will automatically be entered to win one of five fabulous prizes, courtesy of Create and Craft.

- A day at Create and Craft with one of its sewing experts
- A Butterick EB6100 computerised machine
- A sewing bundle worth more than £500
- A Singer One Plus computerised model
- Plus £100 credited to your Create and Craft account



WIN
1st
PRIZE



Please see the shortlisted categories below...

FAVE SEWING MACHINES:

Entry-level sewing machine

Bernina
Brother
Janome
Pfaff
Singer

All-round sewing machine

Bernina
Brother
Janome
Pfaff
Singer

Quilting sewing machine

Bernina
Brother
Janome
Pfaff
Singer

Embroidery sewing machine

Bernina
Brother
Husqvarna
Janome
Singer

Overlocker sewing machine

Baby Lock
Bernina
Brother
Janome
Singer

Top-spec sewing machine

Bernina
Brother
Janome
Pfaff
Singer

ONLINE:

Best online retailer

Minerva Crafts
Create and Craft
Online Fabrics
Girl Charlee
Sew Box

Best sewing blog

The Fold Line
Rachel Pinheiro
Tilly and the Buttons
Mimi G
Lucky Lucille

Best Instagram

Rachel Pinheiro,
@houseofpinheiro
Tilly Walnes, @tillybuttons
Lisa Comfort, @sewoveritlondon
Art Gallery Fabrics,
@artgalleryfabrics -
Portia Lawrie, @portialawrie

**RESOURCES AND
ACTIVITIES:**

**Most inspirational
sewing personality**

Debbie Shore
Stuart Hillard
Lauren Guthrie
Tilly Walnes
Lisa Comfort

**Favourite sewing
book 2017-18**

Tilda Sunshine Sewing
- Tone Finnager
Half Yard Bags and Purses
- Debbie Shore
Stretch - Tilly and
the Buttons
Sewing with Knitted Fabrics
- Wendy Ward
Sew Your Own Active Wear
- Melissa Fehr

**Top sewing
workshops/courses**

Ministry of Craft
Gilly Bee
The Sewing Cafe
Crafty Sew and So
Craftsy

Best exhibition/event

Knitting and Stitching
Festival of Quilts
The Creative Craft Show
Stitching, Sewing and
Hobbycrafts, ExCel
Craft4Crafters

**Most outstanding Sew
Saturday event 2017**

Calico Kate
Sew Creative
Sew Busy
Gather N Sew
Sewing Room
Sewing Machines Direct

PRODUCTS:

Best UK chain

Abakhan
Fabric Land
Hobbycraft
John Lewis
Sew Over It

Best thread brand

Mettler
Madeira
Gütermann
DMC
Threader's by Crafter's
Companion

Best fabric brand

Lewis & Irene
Stoff & Stíl
Lady McElroy
Art Gallery Fabrics
Liberty London

Best major pattern house

Simplicity
New Look
Butterick
Vogue
McCall's

**Best independent
pattern house**

Jennifer Lauren Handmade
Closet Case Patterns
Sew Over It
Tilly and the Buttons
Crafty Sew & So

Best sewing software brand

Husqvarna
Fittingly Sew (Soft Byte)
Brother
Bernina
Viking
Pfaff
Singer
Janome

Best fabric cutting machine

AccuQuilt GO!
Gemini by Crafter's
Companion
Brother ScanNcut
Silhouette Cameo
Cricut Maker



BEST INDEPENDENT RETAILERS



SCOTLAND

Buttons and Blethers, Dunfermline
Kaleidoscope, Glasgow
Mandors Fabric Store, Glasgow
No.29, Fochabers
The Peacock and the Tortoise, Perth

NORTH IRELAND

Craftswoman Fabrics,
Carrickfergus
Mrs Sew 'n'Sew, Portadown
Paragon Fabrics, Belfast
Sew 'n' Knit, Lisburn
Sew Unique Fabrics, Bangor

NORTH OF ENGLAND

BST Fabrics, South Shields
Dolly's Haberdashery
& Sewing School,
Warrington
Leven Crafts,
Guisborough
Oh Sew Sweet Shop
@ The Hut, Wombwell
Sewcute Fabrics, Doncaster

MIDLANDS

The Cotton Patch,
Birmingham
Crafty Sew & So,
Leicester
Guthrie & Ghani,
Birmingham
Hollies Haberdashery,
Newcastle-under-Lyme
The Sewing Cafe,
Hinckley

IRELAND

CLOTH, Dublin
Sew Unique
Fabrics, Bangor
Fiddlesticks
Fabrics, Ballymena
Windmill Fabrics,
Saintfield
Co Down
Love Stitching,
Annahilt

WALES

J & B Sewing
Machines, Cardiff
Calico Kate, Lampeter
Lee Mill Fabrics,
Swansea
Wheeler Fabrics,
Machynlleth
White Gecko Craft
Lounge, Dinas Powys

SOUTH OF ENGLAND

Crafty Baba, Ipswich
Eclectic Maker, Worthing
Fabric HQ, Stoke Mandeville
Lady Sew and Sew,
Henley-on-Thames
Sewisfaction, Wokingham

