

## TFC gallery talks 2012

Gallery talks (Fashion Chat) are 10 to 15 minute docent talks given on a chosen garment(s) from the Texas Fashion Collection. Students will choose 1 or 2 pieces from the collection and research the fashion designer or the relevant time period of the piece(s). The students are expected to dress and style the piece(s) appropriately, and will have them exhibited for the talk.

The purpose of the talks is to familiarize student employees and volunteers with a deeper understanding of the collection while giving them experience in public speaking. The talks will also serve as a tutorial for employees and visitors. Some of the questions that will be addressed are:

1. What is the history of the fashion designer or the time period?
2. How does the garment relate to the designer's vision?
3. What is the significance of the garment in the TFC, how did we acquire the garment?
4. How does the garment relate to the historical time period it is from, and how is that style influential in the future?

Fashion Chats will take place once a month. They will begin at 1pm with a 10 to 15 minute talk followed by a brief question and answer period. Talks will be available for the students, staff and faculty to attend.