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Fashion Week

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'throw it together and whatever happens, it looks great,' " said Sue Patneaude, vice president of designer apparel for Nordstrom. 'And now there is an undercurrent of wanting to feel pretty and dress up," as reported in USA Today.

The tailored jacket, especially in tweed, made famous by Jackie O, is coming back with a vengeance. Ruth La Ferla, a style reporter for The Times, compared the fashion she saw on the runway to another first lady.

"Pert skirts and prim coats, Peter Pan collars and proper tweeds, some harking back to Mamie Eisenhower's day, are refreshing and even subversive. They represent fashion's way of thumbing its nose at the status quo and simply moving on. Blouses with bows have never looked so avantgarde," La Ferla said.

Many journalists, photographers and fashion editors were particularly fascinated by the women's wear. The men's collections were stuck with the new trend of dressing up in bright colors. Even Kenneth Cole, who usually sticks with black and darker colors, had some shirts in fire-engine red, purple and green. The snappy blazer is also a must-have for a man's fall wardrobe, basically anything in color.

'Color continues — bright colors, mixing colors like brown with a little lime green or a little turquoise, things you don't see a lot of in your closet," said Robert Jezowski, general merchandise manager for Macy's in the eastern United States, as reported in USA Today.

Another first for this Fashion Week, besides the overwhelming wearability, was that Zac Posen, a 23year-old fashion genius, had a big tent in Bryant Park for his show. Clifford Pugh of The Houston Chronicle called Posen's line "modern," as there were some metallic silver and bolero jackets in his line.



Tracey Roark, a senior finance major, dives into do 50s garb with this pencil skirt. The black trim with bo on the end proves it's all in the details.

Mostly all the designers jumped on the gib bandwagon, so Pugh said he felt refreshed h Calvin Klein's "lean yet sexy look," after all fi girly-girl frills."

Jezowski attributes this shift into endless oh and femininity to boredom. "Black will always & but it hasn't to the level that it used to because there already so much of it in so many closets.'

Godfrey Deeny, a senior editor/critic in FashionWireDaily.com, successfully summed a the week: "There was a lot of what I 'Republican chic,' where the clothes are a bit prin and schoolmarmish but still seem very kind of and Field for t at the moment.'

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The Spice Girls should be proud because girl power is back. Designers at the NYC Fall Fashion Week could not get enough of pastels, polka dots and pleats.

Everything is flirty for the fall with ruffles galore and floral prints that are undeniably feminine. Maybe your elementary school teacher was ahead of the time after all in her knee-length pencil skirt and sweater set. The pencil skirt, which has an overtly 1950s feel, is incredibly flattering on any body type.

Part of this ultra-feminine style is the little details such as big buttons on a trench coat, a pin on a sweater or a bow in the form of a belt. Patrick

Robinson, a designer for Perry Ellis, told Houston Chronicle that he found many of the broaches featured in the show on Ebay. This is brilliant idea to cut costs since some stores put aft beads and sequins on a safety pin and charge \$50.

This trend is embodied in "Mona Lisa Smik with all of the actresses pulling off the look of the modest, yet fashionable woman well. In the move many of the characters wear classic pumps in a var ety of colors, which will brighten up something lik

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