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## **Online Voting Begins for The Headwear Association's Hat Person of the Year**

CHICAGO – July 16, 2009 - For the first time in The Headwear Association's 101 year history, it will crown one person as Hat Person of the Year.

The male and female nominees include:

- Justin Timberlake
- Brad Pitt
- Samuel L. Jackson
- Sarah Jessica Parker
- Jessica Simpson
- Nicole Kidman

Nominees for Hat Person of the Year must meet the following criteria:

- Living
- Well-known publicly such as an actor, athlete, musician or someone easily identifiable to the general public
- Wear a hat in their everyday life – not just performing on screen or stage

The voting process is open to the general public via an online poll at The Headwear Association's (THA) website [www.theheadwearassociation.org](http://www.theheadwearassociation.org). Voting will continue through August 31, 2009.

The winner will be announced on the [THA website](http://www.theheadwearassociation.org) and via press release in early September.

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