

## Tie it up, Wrap it up, Tuck it, Pin it, Drape it, Wear your Scarf and Glow it up!

In the early days of discovering my inner glow, my grandmother's closet was my playground. Sleepovers always included a fashion show of dresses, belts, and the famous golden slippers. I adorned myself with my weight in costume jewelry and, of course, added a scarf or two or three strategically placed as a headband, another as a belt, and finally one thrown over my shoulder for dramatic effect. The only rule of fashion accessorizing I knew was that quantity definitely mattered.

Fast forward thirty year or so, and I'm still a girl who loves her accessories and has the closets to prove it, but now it's about using accessories as strategically placed weapons for daily wardrobe victory.

As the weather turns cold and the clothes to darker hues, I could think of no better accessory to begin our journey to Glow with than the scarf. Scarves are both practical and can protect your clothes from constant contact with your face, and they are beautiful found in fabrics and materials from silk to wool. A scarf will always fit no matter what day of the month it is. There are at least 10 ways to wear one, you can match it to your favorite coat or outfit and yes, it's Shannon's favorite accessory. In her wise words "Who do you want to be today? Classic, funny, sophisticated, child-like, whimsical...all of these looks can be yours by changing the scarf."

Plus in the same week that Glow was born, Erin O'Brien, local scarf artist, contacted me and offered her time to share her beautiful scarves and all the ways they could be the perfect accessory.

## It's Glow time!

Erin is definitely a woman after my own heart, painting on flat crepe and silk satin she creates a vibrant, wearable work of art with the passion to allow a woman to express how great she feels. Her art is paying it forward, diva style. Erin knows when you feel great you pass your positive energy on to everyone you come in contact with. When we got together for our video and photo shoot, Erin immediately made me feel like I was back in my grandmother's living room for our fashion shows. I have to admit I think I had a silly grin on my face the whole time.

With my senses swimming from all the beautiful colors and textures of Erin's scarves we tied, tucked, wrapped and draped way. While there really are dozens of ways to tie a scarf and you can view them at [www.texeresilk.com/cms-scarf\\_tying\\_guide.html](http://www.texeresilk.com/cms-scarf_tying_guide.html), we focused on these four using two scarf lengths.

The tape was rolling and we also created a video that you can view on the Queen Facebook fanpage. You'll see Erin in action, showing you exactly how to take a beautiful piece of art, your favorite snuggly comfort scarf or even one from your grandmother's closet, and GLOW.

2011 is calling and with it the itch for ways to rejuvenate your look. Have a specific question or topic you'd love to hear about? Email me at [glow@cvqueenofthecastle.com](mailto:glow@cvqueenofthecastle.com).



Long Scarf Style (60")



Undercoat



Casual (72")



Butterfly Wrap (60")