

# Dress Registry for Presidential Inauguration Balls

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The upcoming presidential inauguration will be an historic one for a variety of different reasons. A very high number of attendees is expected both at the inauguration itself, but also at the numerous inaugural balls to follow.

This year, hundreds of women are taking to the web to register their dresses in the hopes of avoiding any awkward or embarrassing moments — like the one First Lady Laura Bush herself suffered in 2006 upon arriving at the Kennedy Center Honors to discover three other women wearing her identical Oscar de la Renta dress; her solution was to change outfits.

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Launched on December 1, 2008 by Andrew Jones, [www.dressregistry.com](http://www.dressregistry.com) is intended to help women avoid such mishaps because not only can you register your dress choice, but you can see if anyone else has already picked the same dress for your same event. You can even include a picture of your dress along with the description.

Keep in mind that you can register a dress for any event — not just the inaugural balls.

What do you think? Is this a silly idea or is showing up to an event only to find several other women wearing the same gown — designer or not — an embarrassment?