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March 13 & 14

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photo: Flora (detail) by Della Reams

Joan Mondale Gallery

A COMMON THREAD

Annual Members Exhibition

January 15 - February 20, 2010

Opening Event: Friday, January 15

- Light supper 6pm
- Annual Meeting 7pm

Launching the 2010 exhibition season at Textile Center is the annual members' show, A Common Thread. Every year, fiber artists and art collectors look forward to this exhibition, where the world of textile tradition and the world of 'no rules apply' converge. These diverse, yet interrelated worlds align for a few weeks to create an unparalleled fiberistic experience you won't want to miss!



Alliance by Donna Lish

TEXTILE CENTER'S 16TH ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, January 15, 2010 7pm



*Study in Blue
by Peggy Hunter*

We invite you to join us in celebrating our successes of 2009 at our Annual Meeting! We give well-deserved recognition to all our members who have shown unwavering support to our mission and our programs –by giving, volunteering, and much, much more. Looking to 2010, we'll present a slate of nominees and give you the opportunity to elect them for positions on our Board of Directors.*

Come view the art, have a light supper and participate in one of Textile Center's most important events – our 16th Annual Meeting!

*Only active members of Textile Center may vote. If you are not a member and would like to have a part in continuing the great work of Textile Center, please visit our website for more information and a membership form.

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Textile Center Hours

M-F 9 am-5 pm

Shop and Gallery Hours

*M-Th 10 am-7 pm,
F-Sa 10 am-5 pm*

Library Hours

*M 9 am-1 pm and 5-7 pm,
T 9 am-7 pm, W 9 am-1 pm,
Th 9 am-1 pm and 5-7 pm,
F 9 am-1 pm, Sa 12-4 pm
Closed on Holidays*

Parking

*Available one block N of
University on SE 29th Ave
Building accessible
Reserved parking*

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METAPHORIC FIBERS:

UNTAMED KNITTING & CROCHET

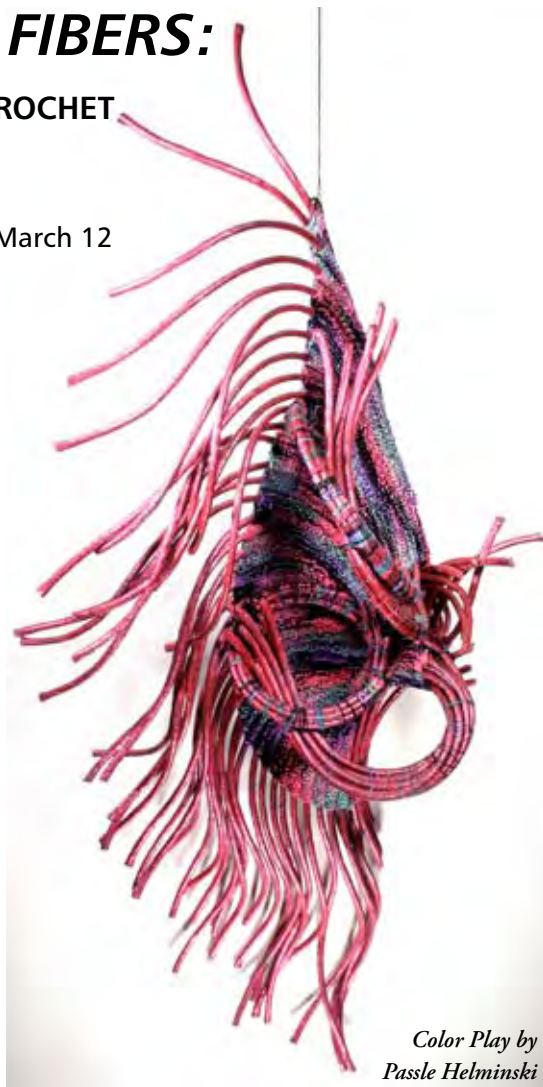
March 5 - April 17, 2010

Opening Event: Friday March 12

- Reception 6 pm
- Artists' Talk 7 pm

Knitting and crochet are among the most traditional textile techniques taught from one generation to the next. The artists in this exhibition take the basics, then throw out the rules! Using non-traditional media, such as wire or sublimation ribbon, the artists transform the materials into a fiber abstraction of an everyday reality. Look for the 25-foot charm bracelet!

Jurors Adrienne Sloane and Karen Searle will host an Artists' Talk on Friday March 12 at 7pm. Each will talk about their work and answer questions about the exhibition.



*Color Play by
Passle Helminski*

Textile Center Community Gallery presents The Rowan 30th Anniversary Exhibition March 5 – April 17

The Rowan 30th Anniversary Exhibition will be a celebration of hand-knitting shown in designs by some of the most acclaimed textile and hand-knitting designers, such as Kaffe Fassett, Jean Moss, Erika Knight, Martin Storey, Kim Hargreaves and Marie Wallin. This interesting exhibition will give an insight into the history of Rowan and the designs, designers and photographers that have helped to create the inimitable style that is Rowan.

Nancy Kleiber will give a talk about this exhibition on Friday March 5. See page 19 for more details.



FIBER FRENZY IS COMING!

FIBER FRENZY SALE: Textile Art at Bargain Prices

Saturday, February 13, 2010

- Fiber Frenzy Sale 10 am -2 pm
- Half Price Sale 2-3 pm
- Silent Auction 10 am - 1:30 pm
- Door Prize Drawing 12 pm
(must be present to win)

What is Fiber Frenzy?

Fiber Frenzy is a chance to scoop up the arty, the unusual and prized textiles at great prices. In contrast to our annual garage sale, the pieces at Fiber Frenzy will all be completed artwork. Handmade fiber art will be donated by artists and the textile art community and then offered to you at a bargain price.

How does it work?

You can participate in two ways: donate and shop!

Donations are accepted:

Thursday, February 11, 9-8 pm
Friday, February 12, 9-5

For details on donating your textile treasures, please visit our website at:
www.textilecentermn.org/fiberfrenzy.asp

To shop, come on Saturday February 13 and take advantage of these great deals!

Want to volunteer?

Volunteers receive a 20% discount. To volunteer or questions on donating contact nkillmer@textilecentermn.org or call 612-436-0464.



*Reversible dupioni scarf
by Tim Harding*

SALE FEATURES:

- Wearable art
- Weavings
- Handmade rugs
- Wall décor
- Fiber sculptures
- Contemporary art quilts
- Vintage textiles
- Linens
- Basketry

This event is a fundraiser to support Textile Center programs.

SPUN GOLD AWARD

MARY TEMPLE

October 19, 2009

Mary Temple grew up loving all the needle arts. She had strong influences in her life. Her mother was a fine seamstress, her Auntie Blink was a professional dressmaker, her grandma and Aunt Selma usually had some fine crochet work or embroidery in hand. Following in their footsteps, Mary blossomed into an accomplished knitter, weaver and and needleworker.



At the Weaver's Guild of Minnesota, Mary taught classes, workshops and programs in frame loom and floor loom, basketry, as well as, color and design for fiber classes. After earning her Master's Degree in Design, Mary taught color, two and three-dimensional design in the design department at the University of Minnesota.

Spun Gold Fund

A Spun Gold Fund has been established to help bring internationally renowned fiber artists to the Textile Center.

For more details, please contact Margaret Miller at mmiller@textilecentermn.org

Gallery

Textile Center Joan Mondale Gallery

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Metaphoric Fibers:
Untamed Knitting & Crochet
Mar 5 – Apr 17

ART: Healing Lives
Apr 28 – May 22

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70th Anniversary
Weavers Guild Exhibition
Apr 21 – May 29

Textile Center Pat O'Connor Library Gallery

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Rowan 30th Anniversary Exhibition
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Schedule

Textile Center Events

Textile Center Annual Meeting
January 15 7-8 pm

Textile Center Fiber Frenzy
Feb 13 10 am-3 pm

Spun Gold Award:
Marjorie Ford Sethna
Feb 19 6-8 pm

Textile Center Garage Sale
April 16 & 17

Traveling Exhibitions

Focus on Fibers
Plains Museum of Art, Fargo, ND
through February 3, 2010

Project Patchwork IKEA Quilts
Original Sewing and Quilt Expo
Tampa, FL, February 18-20
Atlanta, GA, March 11-13
Cleveland, OH, March 25-27
Worcester, MA, April 8-10

Textile Center Calls for Entry

Annual Textile Center Shop Jury
Submissions due:
January 28, 29 & 30, 2010

Figuratively Fiber
An exhibition of art dolls
Exhibition dates:
March 1 - April 9, 2011
Call for Entry deadline:
September 27, 2010
Watch our website for more details!

Find call for entry forms at:
www.textilecentermn.org/gallery.asp

HOLIDAY SHOW AND SALE THROUGH DECEMBER 30

Textile Center continues its annual tradition of presenting extraordinary holiday and seasonal gifts created by over 150 local and nationally renowned fiber artists. Feast your senses on mouth-watering textile art and a healthy serving of fiber. Thousands of delectable gifts include artistic garments, jewelry, accessories, linens, textile home décor, fiber and textile related books, hand-dyed roving and hand-spun yarn.

Textile Center Shop has an extraordinary selection of textile art all year round. Remember to include a healthy serving of fiber in your New Year's resolution.

SAVE THE DATE ART: HEALING LIVES

Juried International Mixed Media
Exhibition
April 27 - May 29, 2010

A mixed-media fiber art exhibition of works inspired by an artist's experience with either a personal illness or health issue of a spouse, partner, friend, etc., that has been life-altering. The works of these artists are an expression of their healing journey and will serve as a spirit of hope to those who are traveling a similar road.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Textile Center volunteers are the best and are needed for the following events:

TEXTILE CENTER FIBER FRENZY

Thursday, February 11th through Saturday, February 13th.

Volunteers can also purchase some amazing Fiber Art work. All volunteers will receive a 20% discount.

TEXTILE CENTER GARAGE SALE

February 1, 2010 is the official start date to sign up. Help with our biggest fundraising event of the year. Four-hour shifts available Wednesday, April 14 through Sunday, April 18. It is loads of fun and you get a chance stock up on your fiber needs.

RECEPTIONS & MAILINGS

If you wish to help with opening receptions or mailings please let us know and we will add you to the volunteer list.

To sign up for Fiber Frenzy, Garage Sale, or if you are interested in helping with other volunteer opportunities, please contact Nancy Killmer at 612-436-0464 or nkillmer@textilecentermn.org

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR NEWSLETTER

Textile Center will email this class catalog/newsletter publication to everyone on our email address list and we post it to our website. To sign up to receive a copy, please email: info@textilecentermn.org.

CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS

Please nominate yourself or someone you know who would like to serve on the Textile Center Board. The Board meets monthly. Terms are 2 years and can extend to 3 terms (6 years).

The Governance Committee will review all nominations against the strategic needs of the Textile Center and interview candidates as appropriate before submitting its final slate for election. Election will be held at the Annual Meeting January 15, 2010 and the Term begins April 1, 2010.

Please send your nominations along with contact information to: info@textilecentermn.org

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

It's time to show your support for something you care about: Textile Center. Our annual fund campaign is underway and we have set an ambitious goal to raise \$70,000. The annual fund supports every aspect of our operations—from gallery exhibitions and classes in the dye lab to summer camps for youth and new purchases for the library.

Keep in mind that by contributing at least \$500 to Textile Center you become part of the Leadership Circle. As a thank you for giving at this level, you will be invited to tours of artist studios and private art collections and other special events.

No matter what level of giving you can afford, please know that your gift is deeply appreciated and it is providing essential support to this year's programs. Please contribute today to Textile Center.

SURFACE DESIGN ASSOCIATION



Confluence

WHEN CULTURES AND IDEAS FLOW
TOGETHER, OUR ART AND OUR
WORLD ARE TRANSFORMED.

2011 INTERNATIONAL SURFACE DESIGN ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Minneapolis, MN, USA
June 9 - June 12, 2011

**Call for Proposals:
Workshops, Speakers,
Demonstrations, and Exhibits**

final proposal deadline:
March 1, 2010

After Jan. 2, 2010, visit:
www surfacedesign.org/conference.asp
for proposal guidelines
and continuing
information
on events.



NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

10TH ANNUAL TEXTILE GARAGE SALE

PREVIEW SALE

Friday, April 16th 6:30 - 8:30 pm

The most fun you can have for \$25! Shop the sale the night before we open our doors to the public. Music! Refreshments! First dibs on the best bargains and your chance to beat the crowds!

THE BIG SALE

Saturday, April 17th 9 am - 4 pm

Hours of textile shopping fun! Imagine hundreds of square feet piled high with fabric, yarn, threads, notions, kits, patterns, magazines, tools, beads, buttons, and even unfinished projects! Sewing machines, sergers, looms and other specialty equipment will be available for bidding in a silent auction. And don't forget the used book sale in our Library! Admission: \$1

THE BAG SALE

Saturday April 17 3 - 4 pm

Everything has to go! Help us clean out! After 3 pm, pay just \$1 for everything you can stuff into a paper shopping bag! If it doesn't fit in the bag it's 50% off.



HOW TO DONATE

Donations Accepted:

Thursday April 15 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday April 16 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Receipts will be available to acknowledge your donation. Please understand that for security reasons, we cannot accept donations simply left outside our building.

All proceeds from the sale go to support the Textile Center's many programs and services. Textile Center is a not-for-profit charity.

PRICING DONATIONS

It's a huge help to us if you price your donation ahead of time.

- Place small items such as ribbons, buttons or fabric scraps in securely sealed, clear plastic bags.
- Price in even dollar amounts only: \$1, \$2, \$5, etc.
- If you're unsure about pricing, consider the age and condition of the item and assign a value of approximately 25% to 50% of the original cost.

For more information about the Garage Sale, please visit our website:
www.textilecentermn.org/garagesale.asp

Registration Information

Please register early! Class size is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Enrollment determines whether the class will run.

Fees must be paid in full at the time of registration by cash, check or credit card (VISA or MasterCard only). Spaces are not held without payment.

There is a \$10 nonrefundable processing fee included in the registration fee for each workshop.

If you are registering a minor student, please include the student's age and name with the registration.

Confirmation

You are enrolled in your class or workshop when your registration is received. We do not send confirmations, although you may call and ask about the status of your registration.

Register By Phone

Please call 612-436-0464 with your credit card information ready.

Register By Mail or Fax

To register by mail, use the form (reverse) or go online to www.textilecentermn.org. Print the form and mail it, along with your payment to:

Textile Center Workshop Registration
3000 University Ave SE, Suite 100
Minneapolis, MN 55414

You may also fax your completed form to 612-436-0466.

Materials and Supplies

Some workshops have fees to cover materials and other supplies provided by the instructor. These materials fees are payable to the instructor at the first class meeting. Please do not include materials fees with your registration.

Some workshops also have a supply list of items you should bring with you to class.

Your supply list will be sent as requested on your registration form (email, fax, postal mail), or you may download your supply list from our website at www.textilecentermn.org

Withdrawals

If your notice of withdrawal is received at least one full working week before the start of your workshop, you will receive a full refund of your workshop fee, minus the \$10 processing fee.

If you withdraw less than one week before the start of your workshop, your registration fee (minus the \$10 processing fee) will be refunded only if there is a waiting list for the class.

There is no refund of workshop or processing fees if your notice of withdrawal is received less than one full working day before the start of your workshop.

Cancellations

If minimum enrollment is not met by the registration deadline, we reserve the right to cancel any class or workshop. If we cancel for any reason, you will receive a full refund.



Look for this symbol for our newest classes!



Look for this symbol for classes designed for kids. Please check class descriptions for appropriate ages.

DYES & SURFACE DESIGN

Dye a Color Wheel in Cotton

Thursday January 28, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Dye two sets of complete color wheels and their afterimage hues, creating a 48 color spectrum of fat quarters and fat eights. Use just two sets of primary colored dyes, one warm and one cool, and learn how to get exactly the color you want and be able to reproduce it. Learn how and why afterimages help you to enhance the dominant colors in your project. We will work with cotton fabric and fiber reactive dyes. This class is a great introduction to working with these versatile dyes. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Susan Antell

\$38/\$33 Textile Center Members

Leaves & Fibers

Mondays February 8 & 15, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Learn how to dye the natural way using only ingredients from your grocery produce section. Experiments include using berries and vegetables which yield amazing earth friendly dyes. Use non-toxic fabric dyes and paints to create the look you want on fabric and print and design using textures from recycled materials. Using our newly dyed materials we will create our earth friendly tote. Creative, fun and earth-friendly ideas to take home. Materials fee \$6, payable to the instructor.

Instructor: Kim Oedekoven

\$72/\$63 Textile Center Members

Color with Paintstiks

Monday February 15, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

Anybody can draw with crayons! Come and play with big crayons called Paintstiks to create wonderful effects on fabric. Paintstiks are permanent, colorful, and easy to use with a variety of application techniques like texture rubbing, drawing, stencils and more. They are a great way to get shimmering metallic effects while your fabric stays soft. Add a new tool to your palette! Materials fee \$5, payable to the instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Susan Stein

\$35/\$30 Textile Center Members

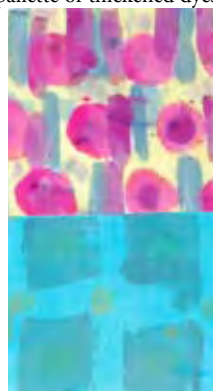
Painting with Thickened Dyes

Wednesdays February 17 & 24

6:00 - 9:00 pm

NEW

Create your own custom palette of thickened dyes to use for handpainting cotton, rayon and silk fabrics. Learn to mix thickened dyes using alginate and a fixer that you add each time to only the dye you are using. Try techniques for color mixing with red, yellow, blue and black to create the perfect color and consistency for the results you want.



Finally, learn hand painting techniques for working with these dyes including brushes, rollers, simple stamps, found objects, and monoprinting with plexiglass plates. Materials fee \$15, payable to the instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Gail Katz-James

\$83/\$62 Textile Center Members

Building a Pyramid Color Chart

Thursday February 25, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Create a color chart based on Pascal's Triangle. Starting with red, yellow and blue, you will develop a set of 45 colors, arranged in a triangular chart. Each color has its own formula so that you can choose one and know exactly the formula to use to get each color. A great reference for your dyeing projects and developing your own palette of colors. You will dye fat eighths of each color. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Susan Antell

\$38/\$33 Textile Center Members



Stitched Shibori

Wednesdays March 3, 10, & 17

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Techniques known as ori-nui, mokume and karamatsu shibori use stitches in the fabric to act as a resist for dyes. Unique effects can be created by the type of stitch, folds in the fabric and the arrangement of stitches all used in combination. Everything from subtle abstract patterns to pictorial pieces are possible with just a handful of artfully placed threads. You choose your fabric (silk, cotton, rayon, bamboo or combination) and learn to stitch and dye these shibori patterns. Materials fee \$15, payable to instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Sandra Brick

\$72/\$63 Textile Center Members

Photo & Transparency Transfers

Friday March 12, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

Transfer images onto fabric using a variety of techniques and materials. Learn ways to create crystal clear photographic images, try making hand-altered images for an artistic look or even create woodblock style images and transfer them to your fabric. Class will be lots of demo and discussion with a few hands-on projects. Materials fee \$10, payable to the instructor. No supply list.

Instructor: Susan Stein

\$35/\$30 Textile Center Members

Gelatin Monoprints

Tuesday March 23, 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Come to play with cool, squishy gelatin to make clear and versatile prints on fabric. We will use textile paints and stencils, stamps, and sponges to create images on the gelatin.

Then print that image on to fabrics, creating a unique effect and one-of-a-kind image. Take your gelatin pad home and continue to play. Bring paper towels and an apron, all other materials are provided. Materials fee \$15.

Instructor: Susan Stein

\$35/\$30 Textile Center Members



Lutrador & Painted Fusible Web

Tuesday April 6, 6:00 - 8:30 pm



Do things with web and interfacing the manufacturer never envisioned! Lutrador can be painted, manipulated, melted, and sewn while maintaining super strength. Misty Fuse and Wonder Under can be colored in several ways and used to alter fabric and layer embellishments. Come to explore renegade uses for common materials. Bring paper towels and an apron, all other materials will be provided. Materials fee \$8, payable to the instructor.

Instructor: Susan Stein

\$35/\$30 Textile Center Members

Silk Fusion Paper

Tuesday April 20, 6:00

- 8:30 pm

Use gorgeous silk roving to create a new paper-like fabric which can be used to make boxes, purses, book covers, vessels and more.

Incorporate trims and ribbons, Angelina, and other embellishments in your fusion. Simple methods with elegant results. No supply list. Materials fee \$15.

Instructor: Susan Stein

\$35/\$30 Textile Center Members



Slip Dress Makeover

Thursday April 22, 6:00 - 9:00 pm



Transform a demure white slip in to an exotic dress. Bring your slips, camisoles, tights or swim suits and use dyes to make them in to something extraordinary. This class is a crash course in techniques for dyeing nylon fabrics - so check the tags before you come. Celebrate Earth Day by restyling thrift store finds in to new wearable art! No materials fee. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Susan Antell

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Don't forget to check your supply list before class! You can find the supply lists on our website.

Variations on a Theme: Shibori

Monday April 26, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Transform simple silk scarves into multicolored masterpieces in just one evening! Learn some simple shibori techniques - resist dyeing in the Japanese tradition, using folding, clamping, binding, stitching and more to create patterns in your fabric before you add the color. You will complete four different variations and leave with a bouquet of scarves that you can give as gifts or wear to brighten up your winter wardrobe. Materials fee \$40, payable to instructor.

Instructor: Sandra Brick

\$38/\$33 Textile Center Members



Variations on a Theme



Stitched Shibori

Technology Tuesday Seminars For Fiber Artists

A series of seminars about technology, designed especially with fiber artists in mind. These seminars are aimed at beginners and are designed to be an introduction to these topics.

Etsy: Talking Shop

Tuesday January 26, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Have you had an intro to Etsy and now you want more? This is a hands-on session to help you spruce up your shop for the new year. Bring your laptop and we will go step-by-step through listing a new item in your shop. Then we will get together as a group for feedback on your new listing, general shop "look" and policies. Lots of time for one-on-one and help from your peers. Homework required before class, list provided.

Instructor: Becka Rahm

\$16/\$14 Textile Center Members

Networking with Technology

Tuesday March 23, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Learn how to tap into social networking and media outlets Twitter, Facebook, Flickr and various chat groups to showcase your business. Give and get ideas about what you can offer and make connections with others in your field. We will also explore ways to reach potential customers with your messages using these venues and more. The market is tight and by using these low to no-cost tools, you can sell yourself with confidence.

Instructor: Kim Oedekoven

\$16/\$14 Textile Center Members

A Pinch of Photoshop

Tuesday February 23, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Bring your laptop installed with Photoshop (or Photoshop Elements) and spend an evening hands-on getting to know your way around a few basic Photoshop tools. We will start with cropping, resizing, and some simple ways to brighten and touch up your images. Then try a few filters for some special effects. Come to class ready for hands-on practice that will get you started making Photoshop work for you. Bring a few digital images and some basic computer skills.

Instructor: Carol Strand-Siebers

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Blogs Behind the Scenes

Tuesday April 27, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Blogs or weblogs are often used as an online diary or journal, but they can do so much more! Use a blog as journal of your work in progress, a portfolio of finished pieces, an online newsletter, a marketing tool and more. Learn how and where to set up your own blog, "blog etiquette" and how to find other blogs to connect to.

Instructor: Kim Oedekoven

\$16/\$14 Textile Center Members

SEWING**Mastering Machine Tension**

Monday January 18, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Master the skill of adjusting and perfecting the tension on your sewing machine for different sewing applications. You will review basic principles of lock stitch sewing machine operation and tension adjustments. You will learn about different shuttle actions and bobbin case styles, thread types and sizes, selecting the proper needle type and size, basic maintenance, how to adjust both upper and lower thread tension and tips for gauging proper tension. This is a hands-on workshop, bring your machine (in good working condition) along with your favorite (or challenging) sewing threads and fabric scraps. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Steve Pauling

\$41/\$36 Textile Center members

Using Specialty Threads

Monday February 8, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Specialty threads (metallics, woolly threads, stretch, top stitching, ribbons and yarn) offer a whole new world of creativity and expression for textile artists. Learn the technical skills in how to use them, which ones work better than others, specialty needles and their application. This is a hands-on workshop, please bring your machine in good working condition. Note: You must have a good understanding of machine tension and be comfortable adjusting both top and bottom tension on your machine. If you need more instruction in adjusting your machine, consider taking, "Mastering Machine Tension" as a primer before for this class. Materials fee \$8, payable to the instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Steve Pauling

\$41/\$36 Textile Center members

Necktie and Dye

Wednesdays February 10 & 17

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Make a necktie for your favorite guy! First night with Susan Antell, you will dye a piece of one-of-a-kind fabric in your choice of colors - from sophisticated to show-stopping. Come back the



next week and learn from Steve "The Bobbin Doctor" Pauling to tailor a necktie like a pro. Get all the tricks for interfacing, stitching and more. Supply list provided. Materials fee \$3, payable to the instructor.

Instructors: Susan Antell & Steve Pauling

\$52/\$45 Textile Center Members

Cozy Calves: Design Your Own Leg Warmers

Mondays February 22 & March 1

6:00 - 8:30 pm

Are you a commuter biker? Do you take the bus? Do you live in Minnesota in the winter? Do you love the 80s? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, then you need a pair of custom leg warmers! We will use recycled wool fabrics to make a pair that show your style or hide secretly under your jeans. Embellish with needle felting, embroidery and many more ideas. No sewing experience necessary. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Jen Cuff

\$58/\$50 Textile Center Members

Yo-Yo's!

Thursday February 25, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

An old-fashioned technique with endless possibilities! Fabric yo-yos can be used to make jewelry, purses and bags, table runners, toys and many more off-the-wall and classic pieces. Learn basic yo-yo construction and the practical do's-and-don'ts of working with yo-yos. They are a great way to use up scraps. Each student will leave with a finished project, another project in process and ideas for many more. Materials fee \$20 (includes a yo-yo construction tool).

Instructor: Sandra Brick

\$31/\$27 Textile Center Members



DESIGN & CREATIVITY**Personal Fabric Color Wheel**

Thursday March 25, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Raid your scraps and stash fabrics to identify your personal preferences in color and create a 12 step color wheel from your own fabrics. Armed with this new personalized tool, we will focus on color theory and how to make it work with your style. Choose some new colors to combine with your favorites to add zing and pop to your next project. Learn color theory terms and what they mean, how to use color harmonies and contrasts and the role of neutrals in your work. Materials fee \$6, payable to the instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Susan Antell

\$38/\$33 Textile Center Members

FELTING**Felting with a Friend**

Saturday March 13, 1:00 - 3:00 pm



Meet a new friend at class or bring your favorite grown up or little person to play with soapy water and wool. Together you'll turn soft, colorful fluff into felted beads, pictures and creatures. Fun for all and it's easy to learn and do more at home. Materials fee \$3 per person. Ages 6 and up.

Instructor: Jen Cuff

\$20 per adult/kid pair

Wet and Dry Felting

Thursdays April 22 & 29, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

In this class we will explore both major felting techniques, wet and dry. Using wool roving as a base, we will learn about the agitation, water and heat needed to bind the individual fibers and make felt. During class we will create wet felted beads to construct a necklace. Then, using a barbed felting needle we will move on to dry felting, making decorative coasters by adding needle felted embellishments to recycled wool fabric. You will leave class with a great introduction to many felting techniques and ways that you can combine them. Materials fee \$6, payable to the instructor.

Instructor: Kim Oedekoven

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3-D & MIXED MEDIA**Fused Plastic "Fabric"**

Thursday March 18, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

A billion single-use plastic bags are given out for free each day, 100 billion of which end up in American landfills each year. Instead of throwing them away, put them to use again as a fused plastic lunch bag, messenger bag or wearable art. Learn techniques for fusing layers of plastic together to make a sturdy material you can sew and embellish. Please bring at least 6 plastic grocery bags to class.

Instructor: Kim Oedekoven

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Personal Icons

Saturday & Sunday March 20 & 21

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

In this class, you will create freestanding papier mâché icons, or sacred objects that reflect your divine essence. On the first day, you will carve a Styrofoam armature and cover it with papier mâché. On the second day, multiple techniques will be demonstrated to create a beautiful textured surface using Paperclay, textured fabric and paint. You can experiment with making a face or use face molds that will be provided. Finished piece will measure 15-17 inches high. Materials fee \$30, payable to the instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Patty Carmody Smith

\$152/\$132 Textile Center Members



SPINNING & FIBERS**Drop Everything Date Night**

Thursday February 11, 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Who said wool wasn't sexy? Set aside a night to "drop everything" and do something fun with your Valentine. Spend an evening literally "spinning a yarn" with a drop spindle. Ply your strands together or celebrate your singles! We will have lots of laughs and you will leave class with several small skeins of beautiful handspun yarn. Materials fee \$5 per person, payable to the instructor.

Instructor: Jen Cuff

\$25 per person, \$40 for you and a friend

Custom Fibers

Mondays March 15 & 22, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Are you a spinner or a felter? Do you dream of creating your own fiber and color combinations for your yarns and works of art? This class is your dream come true! First, learn to dye wool roving using a number of different methods like hand-painting, immersion and squeeze bottles. During the second class, you will blend and combine your hand-dyed roving using hand carders and a drum carder to design your custom fibers. Add angelina sparkle and bits and scraps of many other fibers. Bring your ideas and we will explore the possibilities! Materials fee \$20, payable to the instructor. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Jen Cuff

\$69/\$60 Textile Center Members

Paint A Skein

Monday April 12, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Add some handpainted skeins to your yarn stash! We will spend an evening in the dye lab painting your favorite yarn to make a one of a kind skein. Bring your undyed skeins of wool, silk, or other protein fibers. Learn what dyes to use, how to blend colors or make bold stripes as you paint. Once you have painted your masterpiece, then learn step by step how to set the colors, rinse and dry. Materials fee \$8. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Jen Cuff

\$38/\$33 Textile Center Members

KNITTING & CROCHET**Amigurumi Adventures**

Wednesdays January 20 & 27, February 3

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Amigurumi is the Japanese art form of creating small ultra-cute stuffed animals and creatures using crochet. Learn the simple crochet techniques traditionally used for amigurumi in a crochet crash course. Then employ these techniques to make your own basic amigurumi shape. Stitch details and embellish to make a character and give it a personality all its own. Choose your favorite animal, monster or character! Beginners welcome. Ages 14 and up. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Lauren Koehne

\$50/\$44 Textile Center Members

True Colors

Thursdays March 11, 18 & 25

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Let your true colors shine through your new stripy scarf. School colors? Team colors? Favorite colors? You decide. Learn how to knit, purl and two ways to change colors to knit stripes. Lefties welcome! A great starter project for anyone who has ever wanted to learn to knit. Ages 12 and up. No materials fee. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Jen Cuff

\$52/\$45 Textile Center Members

Knitted Flowers

Wednesday March 31, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Knit a nosegay, Purl a posy! We will use a variety of stitches and recycled yarns create a bouquet of diverse flower shapes. Great for beginners who have mastered the basic knit and purl. Explore some simple ways to make accessories, jewelry, embellish a pillow, bag or jacket, decorate a gift and more. No materials fee. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Lauren Koehne

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Spotlight Artist: Adrienne Sloane

Artful Knit: A Sculptural Approach to Knitting

Saturday & Sunday March 13 & 14
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Develop a personal language of forms by experimenting with knitting fundamentals to uncover the enormous possibilities of a three dimensional knit. By manipulating stitches and solving knitting geometry, participants will learn to 'think knit'. The class will explore the use of non-traditional materials and cover a range of techniques to help create shape and stability when working in three dimensions. This is a process-oriented workshop, with time devoted to making samples and experiments as you learn each technique or concept. Time will be set aside for the teacher to individually discuss with students their ideas for future projects. Your new knitting vocabulary can be applied to sculptural or wearable creations. This class is geared towards proficient hand knitters with machine knitters welcome. Knowledge of crochet is also helpful. Supply list provided.

Instructor: Adrienne Sloane

\$276/\$240 Textile Center Members



*Adrienne Sloane's sculptural fiber work has been published in *Fiberarts*, *American Craft*, *The Surface Design Journal* and is profiled in the book, *Knitting Art: 150 Innovative Works from 18 Contemporary Artists*. Sloane has work in the collections of the Philadelphia Museum of Art and the Goldstein Museum of Design as well as private collections. She has also taught internationally, worked with traditional knitters in Bolivia and Peru and exhibited her previous wearable art nationally.*

March is Knitting Month at the Textile Center!

- **A master class** for seasoned knitters and classes for **beginners** too!
- **Friday March 5, 7 pm.** Nancy Kleiber will discuss the Rowan 30th Anniversary Exhibition in the Textile Center's Community & Library Galleries. Celebrate the inspirational use of color, texture and pattern in hand knitting, learn a bit about the history of Rowan and some of the designers who have created the inimitable style that is Rowan.
 - **Friday March 12, 7 pm.** Karen Searle & Adrienne Sloane will show their work and discuss the Metaphoric Fibers Exhibit in the Textile Center's Joan Mondale Gallery.
 - **Knit Graffiti!** Learn about it and help "knit tag" the Textile Center! See the Textile Center Lobby display for information.
 - **Field Trips!** Bring your scout troupe, class, social group, book club or just a group of friends for a tour of the exhibit and hands-on project inspired by something you have seen! Prices vary. Contact Becka at brahn@textilecentermn.org for more info!



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