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## Handweavers Guild of America Announces Scholarship Recipients for 2013: Amanda McCavour and Deanna Lynch

**SUWANEE, GA—The Handweavers Guild of America (HGA), Inc.**, a not-for-profit fiber arts organization dedicated to encouraging excellence, inspiring creativity, and preserving fiber traditions through education, introduces the HGA and Dendel Scholarship recipients for the 2013-2014 academic year.

**Amanda McCavour, the 2013 HGA Scholarship recipient**, is pursuing a Master in Fine Arts as a second year graduate student at Temple University's Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Her interest in drawing, installation, and embroidery began while at York University in Toronto, Canada, where she earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts in 2007. For three years following graduation, she was an Artist-in-Residence at the Textile Studio of Harbourfront Centre, Toronto. At Temple, McCavour is developing an international perspective on contemporary art through research and critique and includes more experimentation with a variety of media in her work. Following graduation, McCavour plans to work in her private studio, produce new gallery shows, present lectures, and teach drawing or fibers courses in a post-secondary institution.



Amanda McCavour® *Living Room*  
Photo by Agata Piskunowicz

**Deanna Lynch, the 2013 Dendel Scholarship recipient**, is completing her final year of study in the Professional Crafts Fiber Program at Haywood Community College in Clyde, North Carolina. The hallmark of Lynch's personal aesthetic is her choice of calm, subtle, and quiet earth tones drawing inspiration from nature. "Winning this scholarship is truly a validating experience," Lynch says. "Making cloth with my own hands is empowering, and what appeals to me most is being a part of the rich history of textiles." Lynch is excited about future plans to open and operate her own business selling scarves, clothing, and yardage based on her unique designs.



Deanna Lynch® *Willits*  
Photo by Josh Lynch

**The Handweavers Guild of America (HGA) Scholarship, established in the early 1970s** is dedicated to furthering education in the fields of handweaving and related fiber arts, including training for research, textile history, and conservation. Students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs at accredited schools in the United States and Canada are eligible for the HGA Scholarship, which applies toward tuition. The **Dendel Scholarship Fund**, established in 1995 through a gift from the late Gerald and Esther Dendel, is administered by the Handweavers Guild of America, Inc., to support a student or students in the study of handweaving and related fiber arts at an accredited institution in the United States or Canada. The Dendel Scholarship Fund may be used for tuition, materials, books, photography, or travel.

The Fall 2013 issue of *Shuttle Spindle & Dypot*, HGA's quarterly award-winning magazine, contains a feature article about the 2013 recipients and color photographs of their work. For more information about HGA's scholarship and grant opportunities, visit [www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org) or write to: HGA Scholarship & Grant Opportunities, 1255 Buford Highway, Suite 211, Suwanee, GA 30024.