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HGA Announces Award Recipients for *Small Expressions 2013* Exhibition featured at the Kavanagh Gallery, Fine Line Creative Arts Center, now through September 7, 2013.

SUWANEE, GA – The Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. (HGA), today announced the award-winning work in the *Small Expressions 2013* annual juried exhibition. Selected from the 34 contemporary small-scale art works on display to receive special recognition, Juror Laura Foster Nicholson, artist, designer, and owner of LFN Textiles, chose the following:



Second Place. Noriko Tomita.

Tokyo, Japan.

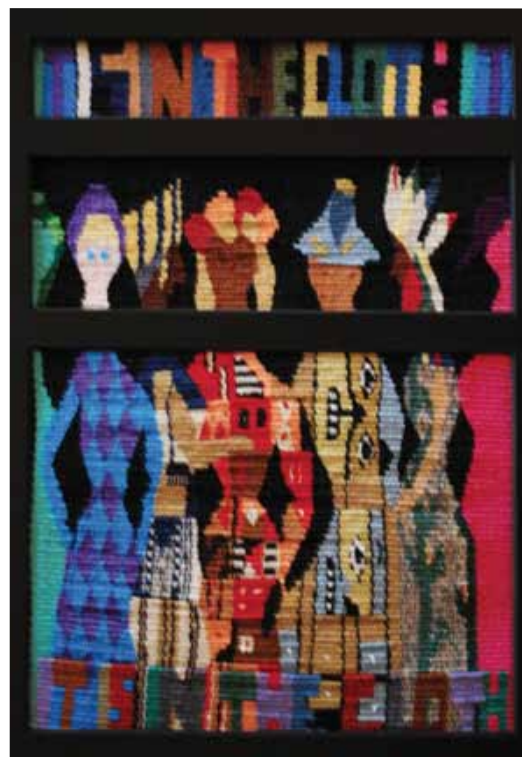
Twistingle © 2013.

Embroidery, original technique.

Metalline thread.

8.46 x 7.87 x 1.57 inches.

Photo by the artist.



First Place. Tori Kleinert.

Turners Station, Kentucky.

Ceremonial Semblance: It's in the Cloth © 2012.

Tapestry.

Linen, cotton.

14 x 10.5 x 1 inches.

Photo by James M. Kleinert

Third Place.

Vladimira Fillion Wackenreuther.

Surrey, British Columbia, Canada.

Baby Snake © 2012.

Weaving.

Japanese handmade paper,

silk thread.

6.25 x 5.5 x .5 inches.

Photo by Joel Fillion.



These skilled artists employ a variety of traditional and non-traditional media creating an outstanding presentation. Nicholson noted in her juror's statement: "The crafting demanded at such a reduced scale must be immaculate—larger work is more forgiving. The scale of threads is more crucial [and] the fineness of edges more exacting." Her assessment echoes that of the late Diane Itter, who stated as the first *Small Expressions* Juror in 1984, "This does not mean a simplification of ideas or image but rather very careful attention paid to all details."

Small Expression 2013 Juror, Laura Foster Nicholson selected works from a field of more than 200 entries from five countries. Exhibitors include:

Brenda Backman, Story City, Iowa • Stella Belikiewicz, New York, New York • Gail Dentler, Victoria, Texas • Elizabeth Fram, Waterbury Center, Vermont • Sophia Frissell, Snellville, Georgia • Georgia Hadley, South Amherst, Massachusetts • Sue Hale, South Haven, Michigan • Sandra Kennard, Aurora, Oregon • Tori Kleinert, Turners Station, Kentucky • Jean Poythress Koon, Morattico, Virginia • Chiyoko Kumon, Nishinomiya, Hyogo, Japan • Sylvia Eisenbise Lehman, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania • Saberah Malik, Warwick, Rhode Island • Joyce Marlow, White Salmon, Washington • Jane Marie, Hastings, Nebraska • Elaine McBride, Bridgewater, Massachusetts • Jacqueline Mehring, Burlington, North Carolina • Chris Motley, San Francisco, California • Kumiko Namba, Soja, Okayama, Japan • Michael Rohde, Westlake Village, California • Lady Sapphire, San Francisco, California • Barbara Sattler, Rancho Palos Verdes, California • Jodi Scaltreto, Hillsboro, New Hampshire • Jenny Schu, East Lansing, Michigan • Mary Ruth Smith, Waco, Texas • Noriko Tomita, Tokyo, Japan • Vladimira Fillion Wackenreuther, Surrey, British Columbia, Canada • Shannon Weber, Cottage Grove, Oregon • Peggy Wiedemann, Huntington Beach, California • Beth Wolchock-Brown, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada • Geraldine Woodhouse, Katy, Texas.



Honorable Mention Award. Saberah Malik.

Warwick, Rhode Island.

Backyard Yield® 2013.

Self-developed technique from oboshi shibori, marbling, machine and hand sewing.

Polyester fabric, ink.

6 x 15 x 15 inches.

Photo by the artist.

HGA Award Award. Geraldine Woodhouse.

Katy, Texas.

Big Bend Post Office® 2011.

Sixteen-shaft summer and winter figural pattern woven in tapestry.

Linen warp/ground weft; naturally grown

Foxfibre® cotton, hand-dyed indigo cotton, hemp.

15 x 15 x .25 inches.

Photo by the artist.



Fine Line Creative Arts Center • 6N158 Crane Road • St. Charles, IL • 60175 • 630-584-9443. Exhibition hours: Monday through Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sundays. Visit <www.fineline.org> for current events, exhibition schedule, classes, and directions.

The Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. (HGA), a member-based fiber arts organization dedicated to encouraging excellence, inspiring creativity, and preserving fiber traditions through education, sponsors the annual *Small Expressions* exhibit of fiber art on a small scale. Visit <www.weavespindye.org>.

For more information about HGA's *Small Expressions* annual juried exhibition, please visit www.weavespindye.org or call 678-730-0010.