



ANNUAL REPORT APRIL 1, 2017 – MARCH 31, 2018

Honoring textile traditions, promoting excellence and innovation, and inspiring widespread participation in fiber art.

"Through Textile Center I have evolved as a fiber artist. I still do the same thing—creating fiber art for my own enjoyment—but I'm no longer doing it all alone by myself. I do it with a great sense of being a part of a community."

 Mayumi Takahashi, Textile Center Shop and exhibition artist, Textile Center member, and member of the Textile Artists on Tuesday, a group that meets weekly in the Library

LETTER FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Fiber is First! When it comes to artistic expression among Minnesota residents 18 years and older, fiber art is #1, according to a recent study by Minnesota Compass and led by Wilder Research. It found that more Minnesotans participate in fiber art (including sewing, knitting, needlepoint, quilting, crocheting, and weaving) than any other art form!

We see evidence of this every day at Textile Center. During the past five years, building attendance has increased by 70%–26% this past year alone. We're proud to see that many of our exhibition receptions at Textile Center are becoming major events, drawing up to 200 people on a given evening.

Participation in our education programs for adults and youth has grown significantly, which is reflected in our 36% increase in education revenue from \$109,598 in FY16 to \$148,997 in FY18.

This enthusiasm for fiber art is also reflected in a 48% growth in individual contributions to our annual fund from \$84,991 in FY16 to \$125,991 in FY18.

Thanks to generous support from the Rosemary & David Good Family Foundation the Minnesota State Arts Board, and Aroha Philanthropies, we were able to expand our Youth Fiber Art Guild program to a fifth site: the Division of Indian Work on Lake Street in Minneapolis. Our Youth Fiber Art Guild brings monthly multicultural fiber art-making experiences to 4th- and 5th-graders through programs that serve low-income families in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

Textile Center was also honored to be selected by Aroha Philanthropies as one of 15 Minnesota nonprofits in its Seeding Vitality Arts MN program, which is committed to inspiring and enabling "older adults to learn, make, and share the arts in ways that are novel, complex, and socially engaging." With this support, we created our new and popular "Interlace" program that serves adults 55 and older through 8 weekly workshops that culminate in an exhibition and celebration at Textile Center.

Among our accomplishments this past year was launching an international touring program. In September of 2017, 16 Textile Center patrons took part in an exciting tour to Morocco. This coming year we are presenting a sold-out tour to Guatemala, followed by upcoming textile arts tours to Japan and India.

FY18 also marked year two of our five-year strategic plan, and we continued to make significant progress on our five strategic goals:

- 1. Lead the field;
- 2. Promote artistic excellence;
- 3. Deepen connections with core constituents;
- 4. Expand and diversify participation; and
- Secure and invest resources well to sustain Textile Center for future generations.

How do we accommodate growth? This was a big question our Board of Directors and Staff addressed this past year. During our strategic planning process, which engaged more than 700 people in 2015 through focus groups and surveys, it became clear that we must improve and expand our facilities.

In April 2017 we engaged one of Minnesota's most renowned and award-winning architects, David Salmela, to help us plan our future.

Front cover: Entrance, Barbara Lee Smith, That's How the Light Gets In: Reflections on Transitions. Right: The Kiss, Mayumi Takahashi, WOW! Textile Artists on Tuesday. What began as a discussion about renovation, soon moved to discussion about ways we could expand our current arts center or even look for another home nearby. It became clear that our vision for program expansion, as well as our guilds' space needs, requires more than our current 12,500 square feet of space.

FY18 became a year for seizing opportunities, including the acquisition of a parking lot at 3018 University Ave. SE, and negotiating a purchase agreement for a possible new home at 3300 University Ave. SE. As of the writing of this letter, our due diligence continues, and our Board of Directors will make a decision about whether or not we can proceed with this exciting possibility before the end of Fall 2018.

In 2019 Textile Center will celebrate its 25th Anniversary, and as we move toward this important milestone, we are embracing a "cando" spirit that propels our organization forward.

We are setting the stage for an exciting new era of programmatic growth rooted in diversity, equity, and inclusion, and we can't wait to see what the future has in store for our national center for fiber art.

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Margaret Anderson Kelliher President, Board of Directors

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TEXTILE CENTER FACTS & FIGURES **20,059** visitors to the building (up 27% from the previous year)



"I love Textile Center. As an artist, volunteer, guild member, and instructor I feel welcomed, energized, and excited every time I step in the door. The Library always has a book, DVD, or tool that intrigues me. I participate in A Common Thread and a variety of classes. It's a great organization!"

-Mary Holland

EXHIBITION PROGRAM

EXHIBITION PROGRAM FACTS & FIGURES

- 29 exhibitions
- 287 artists exhibiting in galleries
- 97 additional artists exhibiting in the Shop

Textile Center exhibitions are supported in part by funds from the Joan Mondale Endowment

"There is ALWAYS fiber art in Textile Center's main exhibit areas, the Library, the halls, and the Shop. These exhibitions inspire all of us to continue with our own fiber artwork with new energy."

---Sharon Englund, member, volunteer, and affiliated guild member

Joan Mondale Gallery

Commemorating His Purple Reign: A Textural Tribute to Prince

March 9 – April 29, 2017

Marking the first anniversary of the death of one of Minnesota's most famous sons, this exhibit, juried and curated by Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi of Textile Center's National Artist Advisory Council, featured the work of 24 quilters from around the nation, including members of the Women of Color Quilters Network.

That's How the Light Gets In: Reflections on Transitions

Barbara Lee Smith, May 4 – June 24, 2017 Personal, political, even a bit philosophical, Smith utilized a three-step process of painting, stitching, and collaging with fabric to express the changes that have given her pause to reflect on the relationship of light to environment.

Wildfires

Regina V. Benson, July 6 – August 26, 2017 This experiential textile installation composed of surface-designed burning monoliths, digitized hillside flames, celestial fires, and volcanic eruptions, explored our universal consciousness of both the beauty and fear of fire.

Loop-Rust-Skin-Mind: 4 Jerome Emerging Fiber Artists

Elizabeth Garvey, Julie Hassler, Kristin Hoelscher-Schacker, Catherine Missaghi; September 5 – October 21, 2017 This culminating exhibition—about growth and the freedom to push work to new heights—marked the accomplishments of the 2017 Jerome Fiber Artist Project Grant recipients working in textile traditions, materials, and sensibilities. These grants provide funding for individual artist projects that inform and advance the development and creation of new work.



2017 Holiday Gallery Shop

Featured Artist: Penny Norman, November 1 – December 24, 2017 A special selection of artist Penny Norman's whimsical felted, upcycled gifts was featured among the handcrafted work of 100+ artists.

A Common Thread 2018: Annual Member Exhibition

January 8 – March 10, 2018 The annual exhibition brings together our

community of textile artists for a celebration of work honoring textile tradition and innovation.

Artists in the Kitchen: 50 Works by Women Artists Inspired by 50 Women Chefs & Restaurateurs

March 21 – May 19, 2018

Recognizing the abundance of local culinary and visual art talent of Twin Cities-area women, this invitational exhibition forged a new partnership that celebrated the work of women artists in both the art studio and culinary worlds.

Co-presented by:



Studio Gallery

National Ties: Contemporary Textiles of the National Artist Advisory Council

Mary Giles, Carolyn Halliday, Pat Hickman, Tracy Krumm, Carolyn Mazloomi March 9 – April 22, 2017

WOW!

Textile Artists on Tuesday May 4 – June 24, 2017

Viewing Kristin Hoelscher-Schacker's Topography, at the opening of Loop-Rust-Skin-Mind: 4 Jerome Emerging Fiber Artists.

A Love Affair and Heroic Journey with Fiber Arts

Sara D. Langworthy Retrospective July 6 – August 26, 2017

Insula

Kristi Swee Kuder September 5 – October 21, 2017

Artisan Textiles from Around the World

Cultural Cloth November 1 – December 24, 2017

Community Gallery

An Indigo Swatch Book Mary Hark March 9 – May 13, 2017

Memory Works

Rosalie Dace May 18 – June 24, 2017

Big & Small

Minnesota Contemporary Quilters July 6 – August 26, 2017

Still Lifes in Indigo

Barbara Schneider September 5 – October 21, 2017



Library Gallery

Timely Stitches The Lakes & Prairies Smockers March 9 – May 13, 2017

Polymer Pizazz Polymer Clay Guild of Minnesota March 9 – June 24, 2017

Celebrating 20 Years Minnesota Basket Weaver's Guild September 5 – October 28, 2017

Edible Dyestuffs

Natural Dye Working Group March 21 – May 1, 2018

Guild Wall

Weavers Guild of Minnesota March – April 30, 2017

Wearable Arts Midwest May 1 – June 30, 2017

American Sewing Guild July 1 – August 30, 2017

Minnesota Basket Weaver's Guild September 1 – October 31, 2017

Minnesota Knitters' Guild November 1 – December 31, 2017 Midwest Machine Knitters Collaborative January 1 – February 28, 2018

Minnesota Feltmakers' Guild March 1 – April 30, 2018

Offsite Textile Center Exhibitions and Selected Work

Selections from A Common Thread 2017

Minnesota State Fair Creative Activities August 24 – September 4, 2017

Charging the Aquifer

Deborah McCleary Foutch Textile Center Award for Excellence and Innovation, Minnesota State Fair Fine Arts August 24 – September 4, 2017

Sculptural Textiles: 7 Textile Center Artists

Howard Conn Fine Arts Center, Plymouth Congregational Church September 8 – October 25, 2017

Swirl Around

Robbin Firth, Textile Center-selected work for American Swedish Institute's *101 Bowls* January 20 – April 8, 2018

Commemorating His Purple Reign: A Textural Tribute to Prince

Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Art, Cedarburg, Wisconsin March 15 – June 17, 2018

Artist Tina Hughes and Chef Lachelle Cunningham with Adventures in Cheffing: Healthy Foods and Soulful Veggies (detail pictured), part of the Artist in the Kitchen exhibition. The Minnesota Historical Society subsequently acquired the piece for their Artifact Collection.



Exhibiting Artists

Jeanne Aaron Carolyn Abbott Marjorie Alexander Rose Allen **Jean Anderson** Mary Anderson Margaret Anderson Kelliher Rebecca Anspach Gwendolyn Aqui-Brooks Kim Baird Peggy Baldwin Sue Banning Beth Barron Maggie Barta Maddy Bartsch Iane Bassuk LaVonne Bataldon Elizabeth Baum Carol Beck Regina Benson Traudi Bestler Denise Beusen Beki Biesterfelt Martha Bird Nancy Birger Barb Bonifas **Debbie Boyles** Lee Bradford Rachel Breen Lisa Brenner Sandra Brick Earamichia Brown Lucy Brusic Katherine Buenger Dorothy Burge Viola Burley Leak Laura Burlis Io Burr Bonnie Buzza Mary Ellen Calderwood Anna Carlson Cassie Carroll Joan Carver Claire Caughey Most

Emily Chesick Jennifer Chilstrom Lori Clark Ora Clav Doris Coghill Zoe F. Cohen Mistv Cole Marion Coleman Nancy Condon Diane Conner Nicoleta Cornea Gini Corrick Maria Cremer Carolyn Crump Rosalie Dace Edith Ann Dalleska Ianet Dallman Iohnson Ann Danko **Iennifer** Davis Sharon Day Katie DeCosse Susan Dickman Marjorie Diggs Freeman Leah Doherty Kav Dole Stacie Dolin Carol Egan Lindsay Embree Grace Enebo Karen Engelbretson Sharon England Kala Exworthy Marjorie Fedyszyn Ife Felix Margaret Fetterhoff Robbin Firth Karrie Flater Alice Ford L'Merchie Frazier Camille Gage Lisa Galbraith Heyl Diane Gamm Sandra Gandara Jenny Gants Moen Elizabeth Garvey

Ann Gerold Stibal Terry Giacomini Mary Giles Scotty Gillette Jaime Gjerdingen Ruthann Godollei Valerie Goolsby Sandra Gordon Leslie Granbeck Ianette Gross Karen Gustafson Carmen Gutiérrez Bolger Marcia Haffmans Faith Hagenhofer Leslie Hall Carolyn Halliday Carole Hallman Carol Hancuh Norma Hanlon Donna Hanson Roxanne Hardy Mary Hark Doreen Hartzell Julie Hassler Audrey Henningson Iuli Henriksen Susan Hensel Sylvia Hernandez Sophia Heymans Pat Hickman Shelly Hildreth Astrid Hilger Bennett Maribeth Hite Kristin Hoelscher-Schacker Mary Holland Breta Hovel Farida Hughes Tina Hughes Charlotte Hunter Peggy Hunter Deb Hutchinson Lori Ihnen Laurel Izard Marliss Jensen Ed Johnetta Miller

Carol Johnson Debbie Johnson Julie Johnson Dyann Judy Judy Kaatz Kimberly Kaelin Caitlin Karolczak Gail Katz James Margo Johnson Joan Kloiber Nancy Kolb Linda Kollofski Katie Knoblach Anne Kramer Rene Kraus Pat Kroth Tracy Krumm Candy Kuehn Phillippa Lack Robbie LaFleur Caron Lage Sara Langworthy Elizabeth Lanzatella Michele Lasker Peg LaSota Xan Laurence Erin Lavelle Karen B. Lehman Renav Leone Susan Leschke Kathy Lewinski Peg Lindberg Pamela Lipe Mary Logue Jessica Long Brenda Lyseng Norrie MacIlraith Kathy Mack Christy Mackerodt Zeeda Magnuson Nancy Mambi Jean Manrique Kelly Marshall Kristan Martin Carol Mashuga Catherine Massaghi Wynne Mattila



Gallery talk by artist Regina Benson.

Michele Mayama Doroth Mayer Carolyn Mazloomi Emily McBride Lavl McDill Vatina McLaurin Cyndi Kaye Meier Pauline Mitchell Marilyn Morrison Sally Mortenson Shelly Mosman Susan Moss Gloria Mott Diane Mountford Margaret Mousley Kielty Sharon Mulhollam Diane Muse Marlena Myles Melissa Nellis Naomi Nelson Kelly Nezworski Ioann Nordin Chiaki O'Brien Dina O'Sullivan Maureen Ohland Kimber Olson

Judy Osbon Teresa Paschke Deanie Pass Kristine Paul Cathrvn Peters Keith Pierce Della Pleski Iulie Pleski Mimie Pollard Trina Porte Nancy Potek Ann Poulson Mary Pow Susan Rainey Ella Ramsev Wen Redmond Geri Retzlaff Lindsay Rhyner Ann Ribbens Amy Rice Pat Rohr Anne Rojas Meryl Ruth Judy Saye-Willis Jill Scarpari Paul Scarpari Gwen Schagrin

Barbara Schneider Clara Schreiber Dee Schultz Jennifer Schultz Karen Searle Latifah Shakir Betsy Shannon Wanda Shelton Denise M. Sheridan Dawn Shilling Erin Sim Tom Skogström Barbara Lee Smith Roberta Sorensen Dan Sorenson Rebecca Speakes Dawn Standera Alanna Stapleton Sarah Stengle **Ruth Stephens** Helen Stoerzinger Rosella Stow Linda Stowell Tressa Sularz Selena Sullivan Jacqueline Swanson Kristi Swee Kuder

Sandy Swirnoff Lisa Taglia Mayumi Takahashi Maggie Thompson Heather Tinkham Stephanie Torbert Vicki Underland-Rosow Kathryn Urberg Rebecca Utecht Susan Vromen Day Jeanette Van Bockel Joni Van Bockel Christina Wagner Barbara Wanamaker Asia Ward Brenetta Ward Beth Wegener Wendy West Jeannenne Wilcox Linda Wilcox Trish Williams Robin Wingo Peggy Wright Wendie Zekowski

TEXTILE CENTER SHOP

SHOP FACTS & FIGURES

- Shop artists: 122 artists throughout the year
- Payments to artists: Shop Artists: \$79,728 + Gallery Artists: \$11,286 = \$91,014

Our Shop showcases handcrafted art created by local, regional, national, and international fiber artists. This program gives artists an avenue to sell their work; and Nancy Gross, who serves as our shop director, provides mentorship related to trends, pricing, packaging, marketing, and sourcing materials. Shop artists receive 50% of consigned sales; member artists receive 60%.

2017 Holiday Gallery Shop Featured Artist: Penny Norman

Meet the Maker Artist Demos and Trunk Show Events

Catrielle Barnett* • sewing, wood block printing on fabric Maddy Bartsch • mindful stitching Nancy Birger • sewing, quilting Blue Sky Fibers • yarn Nancy Bohn • puni style rolags Grace Bohn* • fashion design Lee Bradford • dyeing Judy Bratt • weaving Katherine Buenger • Sami braiding LaVaughn Bye • sewing, quilting Karen Engelbretson • needle felting Sarah Erickson* • embroidery Susan Hensel • spinning, machine embroidery Carol Holmblad • wet felting Gretchen Luessenheide • knitting Nancy Mambi • dyeing Zoe Marchand* • polymer clay sculpture Nina Martine Robinson • hand and machine stitching Sarah Nassif • screen printing Johanna Nassif* • sewing and mixed media Penny Norman • felting Chiaki O'Brien • SAORI weaving Patti Pease Johnson • painted silk Mimie Pollard • surface design and quilting IoDee Schumer • wearable art Susan Stein • fabric painting/surface design Mary Beth Stevens • nuno felting Wendie Zekowski • sashiko and boro stitching

*=youth artists

Cultural Cloth's international handmade items in the 2017 Holiday Gallery Shop.



Shop Artists

Blue Sky Fibers various artists Cultural Cloth various artists Goldfinch various artists Khazana Gallery various artists Brenda Andrewson Susan Antell Aviva Aviel Catrielle Barnett Maya Beecham Nancy Benson Layna Bentley Beki Biesterfelt Christy Binoniemi Grace Bohn Nancy Bohn Lee Bradford Sandra Brick Eve Brown Katherine Buenger Brenna Busse Jennifer Campbell Louise Cardinal Patricia Carter Sierra Cole Gini Corrick Rose Corrick Julie Crabtree Angie Davis Katie DeCosse Elsa Jo Ellison Karen Engelbretson Marjorie Fedyszyn Heidi Ferguson Suzanne Filbin Robbin Firth Heather RJ Fletcher Laura Foster Nicholson Marlene Gaige Debra Gangelhoff Joy Gerard Jen Gin Carolyn Golberg

Rebecca Grothe Leslie Hall Carole Hallman Roxanne Hardy Patricia Haynes Susan Hensel Maribeth Hite Kristin Hoelscher-Schacker Mary Holland Carol Holmblad Farida Hughes Carol Johnson Audrey Jung Micah Kinder Emily Kisa Sheri Klein Karin Knudsen Libby London Gretchen Luessenheide Becky Lyon Donna Lystrom Nancy Mambi Zoe Marchand Kelly Marshall Kristan Martin Nina Martine Robinson Fave Matson Layl McDill Kathy Miller Lori Monson Mary Mortenson Margaret Mousley Kielty Deborah Muenzer-Doy Lisa Murray Diane Muse Johanna Nassif Naomi Nelson Linda Nelson Bryan Joan Neudecker Penny Norman Mary Norsted Chiaki O'Brien Rachel Obermoller Lauren Oland Patti Pease Johnson Kristin Pesola

Leonor Pisano Ann Poulson Marian Quanbeck Dahlberg Becka Rahn Ella Ramsev Wen Redmond Wendy Richardson Alejandra Sanchez Alvce Santoro Annabella Sardelis Jenny Schu Dorothy Schutte Karen Searle Ann Sisel Barbara Lee Smith Rebecca Speakes Susan Stein Julie Steller Mary Beth Stevens **Bill Sumner** Linda Sumner Mavumi Takahashi Vicki Underland-Rosow Rebecca Warpeha Jenny Wilder Beth Wilson Norma Wolff Carole Wurst Wendie Zekowski

TEXTILE CENTER PAT O'CONNOR LIBRARY

LIBRARY FACTS & FIGURES

- 29,780 items in the collection as of March 31, 2018
- 4,850 visitors to the Library
- 3,110 items checked out
- 167 volunteers donated 965 hours of time to help staff the Library

With one of the largest circulating textilerelated collections open to the public, the Textile Center Pat O'Connor Library honors textile traditions, promotes innovation, and inspires learners throughout the region.

Collections included in the Library

Sewing Guild; Crochet Twin Cities; Ladyslipper NeedleArts Society; Lakes & Prairies Smockers; Machine Knitters Guild of Minnesota; Midwest Machine Knitters' Collaborative; Minnesota Contemporary Quilters; Minnesota Basket Weaver's Guild; Minnesota Quilters Inc.; Minnesota State Button Society; Minneapolis Modern Quilt Guild; Polymer Clay Guild of Minnesota; St. Paul Needleworkers; South Minneapolis Quilters; Upper Midwest Bead Society; and Weavers Guild of Minnesota.

Author Lecture Series: Art Speaks

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 Author talk and book signing with Marcia G. Anderson, author of *A Bag Worth a Pony: The Art of the Ojibwe Bandolier Bag*

"Textile Center and the Library are amazing. I have never heard of such an ambitious effort to get so many fiber artists together in one place that offers this wonderful array of amenities to artists. I am thrilled to see 67 books about bobbin lace all in one library!"

---Chantal Harrison, bobbin lace maker from France

Patricia Ewer, Clara Schreiber, Mayumi Takahashi, Roxanne Hardy, and Karen Searle, all members of Textile Artists on Tuesday, creating in the Library.



TOURS

Textile Center's program of member excursions brought three groups to notable fiber-related sites around the region and beyond.

Stockholm and Maiden Rock, WI, 27 patrons, June 1, 2017

Quilt National Tour, Moorhead, MN, 27 patrons, August 17, 2017

Textile Arts Tour of Morocco,

16 patrons, September 23 – October 4, 2017

This past year marked Textile Center's inaugural international tour—to Morocco with anthropologist and Moroccan textile expert Dr. Susan Schaefer Davis. This textile tour was a specially designed journey to experience life in this fascinating country.

"I died and went to textile heaven! Thanks, Textile Center." —Patricia Ewer, Textile Conservator, Stockholm and Maiden Rock tour attendee

Textile Center's tour delegation meets Abdelkader El Ouazzani, one of the world's masters in Brocade weaving in Fès, and his work is acquired by royalty around the world. Linda McShannock (inset) acquired a piece of his work later that day.



ADULT EDUCATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

PROGRAM FACTS & FIGURES

- 1,110 students in offsite education classes and workshops
- 1,162 students participated in 156 onsite classes, lectures, trainings, and workshops

"The overall experience of the workshop was fabulous. It was intense work with a teacher who was expert, entertaining, and patient. Kenneth's skill and experience at teaching an extremely complicated subject to students at all levels showed. Textile Center is a marvelous treasure!"

—Student in Guest Teaching Artist Kenneth King's workshop, Draft a Custom Trouser Pattern

Thousands of fiber art enthusiasts, beginners, master practitioners, and artists advanced their technical and creative skills, took artistic risks, and explored new avenues of work through Textile Center's education programs: classes, workshops, camps, seminars, lectures, demonstrations, and other activities both onsite and around the region.

Textile Center Fiber Art Demonstration and Lecture Sites

American Craft Council St. Paul Show American Swedish Institute Art at St. Kate's Indigo-Go!, Textile Center Minnesota Field Trip Fall Expo Minnesota Field Trip Expo Summer Resource Fair Northern Spark 2017 Prospect Park Summer Celebration The Somali Museum of Minnesota's 3rd Anniversary Event

FY2018 Guest Teaching Artists

Alissa Allen Regina Benson Rosalie Dace (South Africa) Amara Hark Weber Maruti Kamble (India) Kenneth D. King Karen Morris Liz Spear Barbara Schneider Rupa Trivedi (India) Io Wood

Adult Workshop Teaching Artists

Dianne Aisenbrey Rose Allen Susan Antell Maddy Bartsch Sandra Brick Laura Burlis Karen Engelbretson Marjorie Fedyszyn Robbin Firth Keith Foster Marlene Gaige Jen Gin Jaime Gjerdingen Leslie Granbeck Melba Granlund Michelle Greenhouse Janet Groenert Leslie Hall Carolyn Halliday Karin Knudsen Tracy Krumm Susan Leschke Mary Logue Sarah Nassif Lauren Oland Steve Pauling Becka Rahn Heather RJ Fletcher Annabella Sardelis Judy Saye-Willis Karen Searle Rik Sferra Karen Swanson Karen Wallach Wendie Zekowski

YOUTH EDUCATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

PROGRAM FACTS & FIGURES

- 509 youth participated in Textile Center's Field Trip program (386 onsite, 123 offsite), including 30 visually impaired youth
 49 created art in our onsite Birthday Party program (4 parties)
 75 participant opportunities in 6 free public library youth workshops
- throughout the state
- 118 students had 161 different experiences in 33 hands-on Summer Camps
- 5 sites hosted 8 monthly meetings of the Youth Fiber Art Guild for 6 after-school groups, culminating in a final event
- **12** Minneapolis StepUp students participated in an internship program at Textile Center in collaboration with North High School, Target, and the University of Minnesota

"This makes me peaceful. I like art and we don't do this at school." -Youth Fiber Art Guild member

Bandit

Students from PCYC created handsewn pillows as part of their culminating Youth Guild event.

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about the

YOUTH PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Youth Fiber Art Guild™

October 2017 - May, 2018

Our Youth Fiber Art Guild brings monthly multicultural fiber-art-making experiences to 4th- and 5th-graders at 5 sites that serve low-income families in Minneapolis and St. Paul, at no cost to our program partners. With instructor support, youth are empowered to explore their creativity and different cultures while making hands-on projects.

Youth Guild Sites

- Division of Indian Work
- East Side Neighborhood Services, Luxton Learners (ESNS)
- Hallie Q. Brown Community Center
- Neighborhood House
- Plymouth Christian Youth Center (PCYC)

Support generously provided by





Indigo-Go!

August 26, 2017

This family festival of free fiber art making introduced 115 members of the community to the experience of indigo dyeing, kumihimo (Japanese) braiding, and ply split braiding – the latter using Somali techniques that are part of the Kebed weaving process, taught by elders associated with the Somali Museum of Minnesota. The event also featured a fiber art market of neighborhood adult and youth artists.

Sponsored by the Prospect Park Co-op Legacy Fund

Youth Teaching Artists

- Susan Antell Maddy Bartsch Laura Burlis Jean Emmons Marjorie Fedysyzn Marlene Gaige Jaime Gjerdingen Elizabeth Harrington Dyann Judy Ceci Lewis
- Sarah Nassif Lauren Oland Chiaki O'Brien Jennifer Schultz Jenny Stice Maggie Thompson Karen Wallach Cobille West Wendie Zekowski

Right (Top to Bottom): Student learns ply-split braiding at Indigo-Go! Design It & Quilt It Summer Camp. Student enjoying sewing at Summer Camp.



PROGRAM PARTNERS

American Craft Council American Swedish Institute Artists' Circle Aveda Bright Water Montessori School Cannon Falls Library **Common Bond Communities** Dakota County Library System: Burnhaven, Farmington, Inver Grove Heights, Robert Trail, South Saint Paul, Wentworth, Wescott Dakota Lodge, Thompson Park Division of Indian Work Eastside Neighborhood Services -Luxton Learners FilmNorth Hallie Q. Brown Community Center, Inc. Hauck Creativity Group

Hennepin County Library System: St. Louis Park, Maple Grove, Augsburg Park, Sumner, Washburn, Brookdale, Augsburg Park Highpoint Center for Printmaking Khazana Metro ECSU Blind Minneapolis Central Library Minneapolis Kids at Hale Minnesota Center for Book Arts Minnesota Contemporary Quilters Minnesota Field Trip Library Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf Minnesota State Fair Neighborhood House North High School Northern Clay Center Northern Lights / Northern Spark

Eco Printing & Indigo workshop (from left): Jenna Rice, Lisa Steinmann, Robbin Firth (Teaching Artist), Deborah Dillaway, Susan Antell, Susan Shurson, Kathi Donnelly-Cohen, Kathy McDonough.





Mycopigments workshop with Guest Teaching Artist Alissa Allen.

Northwest Passage High School Orchard Park Childcare Center Playworks - Prior Lake Plymouth Christian Youth Center - Out-of-School Time Program Plymouth Congregational Church Prospect Park 2020 Ramsey County Library System: New Brighton Library Randolph Heights Discover Club Rondo Discovery Club Schaar's Bluff Gathering Scott County Library System: Belle Plaine Library Shady Oaks Elementary Shoreview Parks and Recreation Somali Museum of Minnesota

Saint Paul Academy First Grade Daisy Troop Springboard for the Arts St. Therese Catholic School Stillwater Public Library Target University Club of St. Paul University of Minnesota University of Minnesota ReUse Program Washington County Library System: Park Grove Watonwan County Library System: Butterfield, Lewisville, Mandelia, St. James Wellstone High School Weavers Guild of Minnesota

FINANCIAL REPORT

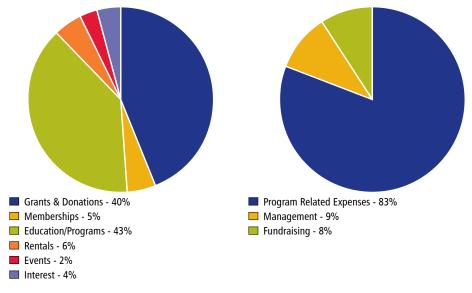
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Income

Income		expenses	
Grants & Donations	\$380,982	Program Related Expenses	\$877,807
Memberships	\$50,870	Management	\$101,970
Education/Programs	\$411,506	Fundraising	\$81,113
Rentals	\$53,887		
Events	\$22,506	Total Expenses	\$1,060,890
Interest	\$40,967		
Total Income	\$960,718	Net Income	-\$100,172

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The \$100,172 deficit is comprised primarily of \$51,426 in non-cash depreciation and \$37,566 in capital expenses paid for by pledges received this fiscal year but booked as income in the past two years. To review audited financial statements, visit: **textilecentermn.org/official-documents**



BALANCE SHEET

April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018

Assets

Mondale Gallery Endowment	\$323,470
Reserves	\$25,324
Building/Fixed Assets	\$1,452,065
Other Assets	\$310,785
Total Assets	\$2,111,644

Liabilities & Net Assets

Liabilities	\$132,406
Long-Term Debt (Parking Lot Loan)	\$316,536
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$1,219,496
Temporarily Restricted Assets	\$260,481
Permanently Restricted Assets	\$182,725
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$2,111,644

Right: Marbling by Teaching Artist Heather RJ Fletcher.

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SUPPORT AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to all members, donors, volunteers, and friends who shared in supporting Textile Center's work to honor textile traditions, promote excellence and innovation, and inspire widespread participation in fiber art.

With this support, we are able to provide programs that benefit a variety of audiences, including artists, organizations, youth, enthusiasts, practitioners, neighbors, and national entities. Our programs make an impact far and wide because they engage so many people.

Volunteers

504 volunteers gave more than 3,080 hours of their time and talent to support Textile Center this past fiscal year!

Our Fiscal Year 2018 Volunteer of the Year was **Celeste Grant**, a weaver and sewer who has been game to volunteer for Textile Center's numerous events! She actively volunteered for the World's Largest Textile Garage Sale, the Worn Wear Tour which focused on making textiles more sustainable, and Northern Spark, during which she helped countless people weave on our Lawn-a-Loom into the wee hours of the morning! We love how excited she is about fiber art; at the Garage Sale, she volunteered one day, purchased Japanese kimono fabric, and showed up to volunteer the next day with a gorgeous blouse she had created from her purchase. We thank Celeste and all of our volunteers for their dedication to Textile Center and all things fiber.



Susan Leschke, Teaching Artist for Beginning Embroidery: Mod Flowers workshop.

Textile Center's new Athena Society for Planned Giving

"For each of us, Textile Center has enriched our lives, our appreciation and growth in the fiber arts, and led to many new friendships. Through our own planned giving, we are helping to sustain Textile Center's mission well into the future."

—2018 Athena Society Co-Chairs Cyndi Kaye Meier and Karen Weiberg

Named for the Greek goddess Athena, the patron of craft and weaving and an international symbol of wisdom and the arts, The Athena Society educates, encourages, and recognizes planned gifts to Textile Center. The Society's inaugural event was held on February 23, 2018, when we recognized the generosity of Lila Nelson, whose planned gift was a boon to Textile Center.

The Athena Society gifts will sustain Textile Center's excellence and ensure quality fiber art programs for future generations. Anyone who expresses intent to make a planned gift to Textile Center becomes a member of The Athena Society.

The Athena Society Members as of March 31, 2018

Marty Allen Margaret Anderson Kelliher Elinor Auge Marilee DesLauriers & Jack Militello Tina Hughes Cyndi Kaye & David Michael Meier Teresa Paschke Mimie Pollard & Alden Drew Mariana & Craig Shulstad Karen R. Weiberg

2018 Athena Society Co-Chairs

Cyndi Kaye Meier – Secretary, Board of Directors Karen R. Weiberg – Former Member, Board of Directors



Leadership Circle

Participants in this affinity group are Textile Center members or donors at the \$500 level and above. We recognize this special category of contributors as being stewards for Textile Center's future.

\$2,500 + SPUN GOLD (PATRON)

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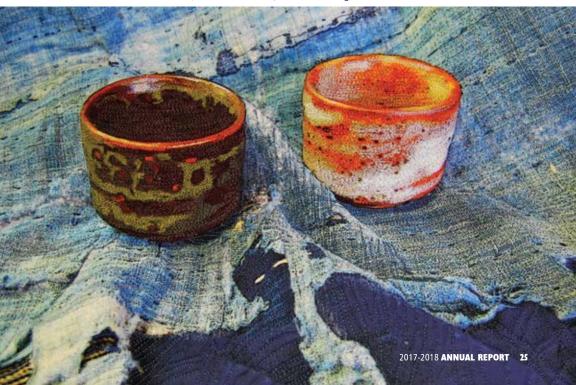
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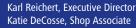
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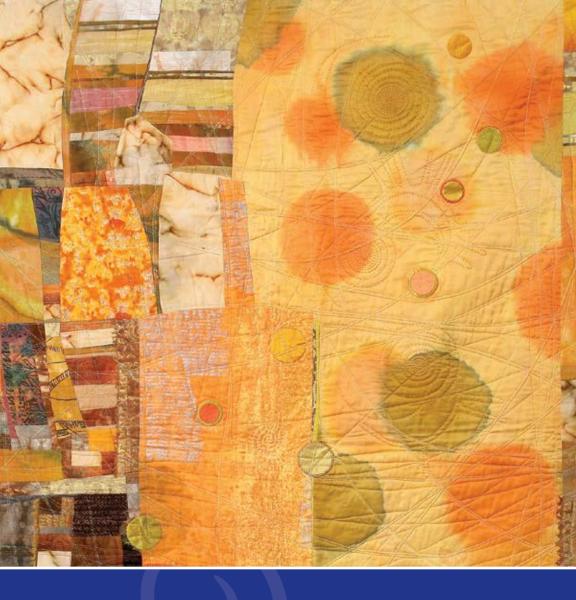




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