



ANNUAL REPORT

APRIL 1, 2019 - MARCH 31, 2020

Textile Center's mission is to honor textile traditions, promote excellence and innovation, and inspire widespread participation in fiber art.

LETTER FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Textile Center's 25th year was filled with milestones, events, and exhibitions that demonstrated our organization's vitality. The 2020 fiscal year began on April 1, 2019, with a festive birthday party in our auditorium that brought together our founders and friends, and included a 25th Anniversary Gala, Fashion Show, and Silent Auction on October 21, 2019 chaired by Linda McShannock and Lisa Steinmann.

During the year we hosted a distinguished roster of guest teaching artists, and presented three international tours – to Morocco, Japan, and India – as well as a group excursion to visit the Santa Fe International Folk Art Market.

Also among the milestones: Textile Center was invited to join McKnight Foundation's cohort of arts organizations collaborating with its distinguished fellowship program for midcareer artists. In June 2019 Textile Center was awarded a three-year grant to administer the new McKnight Fiber Art Fellowships, and by January 2020, we announced the first two fellows receiving \$25,000 each: Liz Miller & Eun-Kyung Suh.

On March 11, 2020, we celebrated our newest Spun Gold Award winners – Carolyn Halliday, Nancy Mambi, Mary Skoy, and Ginny Smith, the highest award offered to honor artists and advocates for a lifetime dedication to fiber art. This event occurred on the same day that the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic.

Within the next few days, we closed Textile Center. For our Board of Directors and staff, the final weeks of our 2020 fiscal year brought forth an unprecedented challenge to navigate through the most severe crisis in our history. We worked to develop our COVID-19 Action Plan that outlined our top priorities:

- To ensure the health and safety of our staff, board, teaching artists, students, volunteers, and patrons.
- To support our dedicated staff members, the lifeblood of our organization who
 ensure that we fulfill our mission day-in and day-out.
- To maintain the health and viability of our organization through wise stewardship of our financial resources, effective communication with our large Textile Center family, and a "can-do" spirit of optimism and hope.



Board President Ella Ramsey strikes a pose during a stroll with Textile Center travelers in Tokyo, Japan.

During the month of March, Textile Center donated more than 90 bags of cotton fabric, each weighing between 1.5 to 2 pounds each, from our World's Largest Textiles Garage Sale stash to support mask makers to help fill an urgent need for masks for local congregate care centers. It was so impressive to witness the ways in which our members, including our affiliate textile guilds, jumped in with their sewing skills to meet the massive call for masks during these early days of the pandemic.

As you read this, the good news is that Textile Center has demonstrated its resilience, and is finding its way forward through the pandemic thanks to you, our most supportive fiber art family.

As we report on Fiscal Year 2020, we don't want COVID-19 to cloud the successes we had throughout the year. The strength of our staff, programs, services, and financials have helped Textile Center weather the pandemic crisis. Despite our closure in March, which included the cancellation of classes, the suspension of our retail sales, as well as a dramatic drop in the stock market that led to a substantial loss in our Joan Mondale Endowment, we ended the year with a net income of \$139,344 for the year.

Fiscal year 2020 was the second year in a row that our operations were more than \$1 million, and during the past six years, Textile Center enjoyed 90% growth... rising from \$760,443 in income in 2014-2015, to \$1,274,122 in 2019-2020.

All these successes, which our outlined in this annual report, are possible thanks to our dedicated board of directors and talented staff. We are especially grateful to our staff leaders: Director of Administration Nancy Gross, Director for Artistic Advancement Tracy Krumm, and Director of Finance Jayne Usery.

We look forward to when we are on the other side of this pandemic ... when we can gather again in person to celebrate our passion for fiber art and our commitment to the ongoing success of our beloved Textile Center.

Thank you for making our 25th Anniversary year a terrific success.

Ella Ramsey
 President, Board of Directors

Karl Reichert
 Executive Director

Cover Image: Hemp Petroglyph Pattern Patchwork Wrapping-Cloth, Insook Choi (Insook Choi: Ulsan Bangudae 울산 반구대 Exhibition)



EXHIBITION PROGRAM

FACTS + FIGURES

- 30 exhibitions
- 237 exhibiting artists exhibiting in our four gallery spaces
- Sales to gallery artists: \$15,073

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



Visitor views the Silver Jubilee exhibition in the Joan Mondale Gallery

JOAN MONDALE GALLERY

Structured March 18 – May 16, 2019

In collaboration with the National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts, this exhibition featured textile and ceramic artists, and challenged both maker and viewer in terms of how work is discussed, defined, considered, and categorized in contemporary art.

Orient, Disorient, Repeat **Jerome Fiber Artist Project Grantees** May 23 – July 27, 2019

This exhibition was a showcase of the work of the three Jerome Fiber Artist Project Grantees 2018/2019: Janet Dixon, Heather MacKenzie, and Mary Pow.

Silver Jubilee: Textile Center's 25th **Anniversary Exhibition** August 12 – October 23, 2019

In celebration of Textile Center's 25th Anniversary, Silver Jubilee featured 11 artists who have made significant and unique contributions to the field of fiber art throughout the past 25 years.

Holiday Gallery Shop November 1 – December 24, 2019

A special selection of extraordinary hand-dyed and embroidered vintage linens by featured artist Wendy Richardson were featured alongside the work of 100+ artists, with a theme of earth-friendly gifts you can feel good about giving.

A Common Thread: Annual Member Exhibition January 9 – March 14, 2020

This annual exhibition is a celebration of work honoring textile traditions and innovation, featuring a great array of fiber art created by Textile Center members.

COMMUNITY GALLERY

Wone Vang: Iconic March 18 – May 16, 2019

Kav McCarthy: For the Love of Quilting May 16 – July 27, 2019

Insook Choi: Ulsan Bangudae

울산 반구대 August 12 - October 26, 2019 Curated by Chunghie Lee

STUDIO GALLERY

Katva Oicherman: Stories of the Torn Swaddling Cloth May 23 – July 27, 2019

Friends of Mary: Honoring the Legacy of Mary Giles Curated by Jim Harris August 12 - October 26, 2019

Artisan Textiles from India: Sufiyan Khatri & Abdul Jabbar Khatri November 1 – December 24, 2019

LIBRARY GALLERY

Alanna Stapleton: Outlooks March 18 – May 25, 2019

The Chartreuse Yarn Project March 18 – May 25, 2019

Interlace Class Exhibitions: Art to Wear and Surface Design June 10 – July 27, 2019

Midwest Bead Society - 3D Objects September 30 – October 26, 2019

Interlace Class Exhibitions: Rug Hooking, Embroidery, Felting, and Shibori October 29 – December 24, 2019

GUILD WALL

Textile Center's 25th Anniversary March 1 – April 30, 2019

Polymer Clay Guild May 1 – June 30, 2019

MN Knitters Guild July 1 – August 31, 2019

Upper Midwest Bead Society September 1 – October 31, 2019

Crochet Twin Cities November 1, 2019 - January 31, 2020

2020 Spun Gold Award Winners March 1 – June 30, 2020

OFFSITE EXHIBITIONS

Selections from Commemorating His Purple Reign: A Textural Tribute to Prince MSP Airport, Display Concourse E8 October 12, 2018 – January 31, 2020

Ties that Bind MSP Airport, Display Concourse E8 February 1, 2020 – January 21, 2021

Selections from A Common Thread Minnesota State Fair August 22 – September 2, 2019

Snoopy's Snazzy Sweater Collaboration with Midwest Machine **Knitters Collaborative & Crochet Twin Cities** December 7, 2018 – January 4, 2019 MSP Airport, Minneapolis, MN

POP-UP EXHIBITIONS

Artisan Textiles from India: Sufiyan Khatri & Abdul Jabbar Khatri July 2019

Artisan Indigo Textiles from Mali: Aboubakar Fofana October 24 - 26, 2019

EXHIBITING ARTISTS

Carolyn Abbott

Rose Allen

Kim Baird

Mary Bero

Jerry Bleem

Lisa Boone

Laura Burlis

Cvnthia Adamson Susan Allison-Hatch Kate Anderson Susan Andrews Marion Angelica Kirsten Aune Leah Babalola Jeanne Back Margaret Baldwin Terry Banovetz-Gerst Jane Bassuk Sarah Beggs Barbara Riegel Bend Astrid Hilger Bennett Carmen Benson Denise Beusen Beki Biesterfelt Jacqueline Bilek Sandra Bot-Miller Debbie Bovles Lee Bradford Lisa Brenner Sandra Brick Jeremy Brooks Betty Buckley Sharon Grosh **Bob Bulthuis**

Jean Cacicedo Mary Ellen Calderwood Anna Calingaert Cynthia Carlson Heins Joan Carver **Emily Chesick** Kyoung Ae Cho Insook Choi Lori Clark Morgan Clifford Ann Coddington Misty Cole Nancy Condon Jane Connett Lia Cook Yvonne Cory Allison Craver Carolyn Crump Susan Day Katie DeCosse Janet Dixon Gabrielle Duggan Kit Eastman Carol Eckert Jane Ellison Marjorie Fedyszyn Aboubakar Fofana Diane Gamm Nina Ganzi Ann Gerold Stibal Mary Giles Valerie Goolsby Georgia Greeley

Laurie Bushbaum



Visitors view work in the Joan Mondale Gallery, a part of the Orient, Disorient, Repeat exhibition



International artist Aboubakar Fofana visits Textile Center for a special pop-up gallery event featuring the indigo-dyed textiles for which he is known and celebrated around the world.

Melanie Groves Jean Hainlen Leslie Hall Carolyn Halliday Norma Hanlon Tim Harding Roxanne Hardy Jesse Harrod Michelle Harstad Beth Haugen Carol Hazard Susan Hensel Kristin Hoelscher-Schacker Mary Holland Karen Holmes Jessica Huang Tina Hughes Peggy Hunter Nancy Intermill Susan Iverson Laurel Izard Janice Jakielski Debra Johnson Patricia Kerlin Abdul Jabbar Khatri Sufiyan Khatri Judith Kinghorn Karen Kinoshita Sylvia Mohn Claire Caughey Most Gail Knutson Susan Koefod Elizabeth Murray Linda Kollofski Chiaki O'Brien Connie Kos Janet O'Connell

Rene Kraus

Tracv Krumm

Phyllis Kudder Sullivan Kristin Kuder Candy Kuehn Jan Kurhaietz Sarah Kusa Phillippa Lack Robbie LaFleur Gyongy Laky Flizabeth Lanzatella Lisa Larson Chunghie Lee Renay Leone Susan Leschke Peg Lindberg Pamela Lipe Mary Logue Marybeth Lonnee Kathrvn Mack Heather MacKenzie Nancy Mambi Kelly Marshall Michele Mavama Kay McCarthy Lavl McDill Cvndi Kave Meier Kathleen Miller Catherine Missaghi

Dina O'Sullivan

Jane Obern

Katva Oicherman Jerolyn Oliver Eve Parker Dawn Marie Perault Susan Ploetz Joanna Poag Jason Pollen Trina Porte Nancy Potek Anne Potter Ann Poulson Mary Pow Michael Radvk Ella Ramsey Jan Rapacz Tina Rice Wendy Richardson Kathleen Richert Nora Rickey Nina Robinson Richard Saia Elise Schadauer Vicki Scheunemann Clara Schreiber Polly Schrom Jennifer Schultz

JoDee Schumer

Biba Schutz

Suzanna Scott

Lori Sebastian

Betsy Shannon

Wanda Shelton

Donna Sherlock

Karen Searle

Mary Sherman **Ann Somers Daniel Sorenson** Anne Sorenson Rebecca Speakes Alanna Stapleton Ruth Stephens Tressa Sularz Mavumi Takahashi Gina Telcocci Marsha Theis Heather Tinkham Dawn Tomlinson Jane Tracy Wendy Tully Joy Ude Linda Unsworth Amy Usdin Rebecca Utecht Lenore Vincent Kate Vinson David Wahl Barbara Wanamaker Bea Westerberg Casev Whittier Marsha Wiest-Hlnes

Wendy Wilson

Robin Wingo

Peggy Wright Pertronella Ytsma

Rena Wood

Cree Zadra

Announcing the Mary Giles Gallery

During our 25th Anniversary Gala in October 2019, Textile Center announced that its Studio Gallery would be renamed the Mary Giles Gallery, to honor the memory of Mary Giles, who died on April 11, 2018, of ovarian cancer.

A founding member of Textile Center's National Artist Advisory Council, Mary often referred to herself as a "fiberist." Textile Center was honored to present her works in our galleries in recent years, including the 2015 exhibition Mary Giles: A Retrospective in the Joan Mondale Gallery.

Thanks to a generous capital gift from Mary's husband, Jim Harris, Textile Center's architect David Salmela and his team designed an elegant renovation of the gallery space. The Mary Giles Gallery is a wonderful companion to our Joan Mondale Gallery, and we're pleased that Mary's memory will live on through this gallery at Textile Center.



Mary in her studio (photo by Mark LaFavor)





Sow Sow. Michael Radvk (Structured Exhibition)



Detail from Stories of the Torn Swaddling Cloth, Katva Oicherman (Katya Oicherman: Stories of the Torn Swaddling Cloth Exhibition)



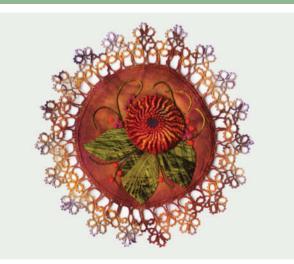
Dive (second version), Jerry Bleem (Silver Jubilee Exhibition)



TEXTILE CENTER SHOP

FACTS + FIGURES

- 109 Shop artists
- Payments to Shop artists: \$79,661



Doily by Holiday Gallery Shop 2019 featured artist Wendy Richardson

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 a percentage of consigned sales.

Sandra Brick

MEET THE MAKER ARTIST DEMOS & TRUNK SHOW EVENTS

Wendy Richardson • Print & Dye Fest Robin Meyer • Print & Dye Fest Brenda Oseland • Print & Dve Fest Marjorie Puryear • Weave Fest Beka Looms • Weave Fest Yard & Yarn • Minneapolis Craft Market Betsy Shannon • Stitch Fest Wendie Zekowski • Stitch Fest Boomerang Bags • Stitch Fest Julie Steller • Upcycle Fest Marlene Gaige • Upcycle Fest Karen Engelbretson • Needle Felt Fest Mayumi Takahashi • Needle Felt Fest Jonah Larson • Hello, Crochet Friends Author Event Susan Koefod • Eco Fest Judy Schneebeck • Eco Fest

SHOP ARTISTS

Clarice Allgood Brenda Andrewson Susan Antell Bommerang Bags Christy Binoniemi Nancy Bohn Lee Bradford Judy Bratt

Eve Brown Linda Nelson Brvan Katherine Buenger Stitch Buffalo Brenna Busse Patricia Carter Kim Christensen Cultural Cloth Sierra Cole Marian Quanbeck Dahlberg Gwen Daniels Angie Davis Susan Vroman Day Anna Doherty Elsa Jo Ellison Karen Engelbretson Robbin Firth Karen Franzmeier Marlene Gaige Debra Gangelhoff Jov Gerard Andrea Grage Michelle Greenhouse Rebecca Grothe Lindsay Gruetzmacher Polymer Clay Guild Leslie Hall Carole Hallman Roxanne Hardy Susan Hensel Maribeth Hite Mary Holland

Carol Holmblad

Daniel Horan Farida Hughes Carol Johnson Debra Johnson Abdul Jabbar Khatri Sufiyan Khatri Margaret Mousley Kielty Emily Kisa Christine Knapp Susan Koefed Linda Larson Jonah Larson Su Legatt Libby London Judy Cooper Lyle Deanna Lynch Becky Lyon

Nancy Mambi

Kelly Marshall

Rebecca McEntee

Ashton McGinnis

Faye Matson

Layl McDill

Robin Ann Mever Nancy Miller Lori Monson Mary Mortenson Lisa Murray Diane Muse Melissa Nellis Naomi Nelson Joan Neudecker Penny Norman Chiaki O'Brien Rachel Obermoller Lauren Oland Brenda Oseland Deanie Pass Krisin Pesola Sarah Peterson Leonor Pisano Ann Poulson Mary Pow Mariorie Durko Purvear Becka Rahn Ella Ramsev

Diane Richard Wendy Richardson Elena Rosenberg Kim Scanlan Judy Schneebeck Dorothy Schutte Mary Schwandt Karen Searle Betsy Shannon Connie Soteropulos Rebecca Speakes Julie Steller Mary Beth Stevens Bill Sumner Linda Sumner Bonnie Swierzbin Mavumi Takahashi Lillis Taylor Bonnie Wedge Madeline Weismann Beth Wilson Haylie Zapantis Wendie Zekowski



Crochet prodigy Jonah Larson, author of *Hello, Crochet Friends*, visits Textile Center to talk about his book and teach visitors how to crochet.

WORLD'S LARGEST TEXTILE GARAGE SALE

The beauty of the Garage Sale is that it brings together artists, makers, and textile lovers from across the region and provides materials at unbelievably affordable prices – all while raising significant financial support for Textile Center, and promoting better care for our environment through reuse.

The April 2019 World's Largest Textile Garage Sale at the U of M ReUse Program Warehouse was the third largest sale in our history, with gross sales of \$64,000

The Fall Pop Up raised an additional \$33,000.



Patrons shop in the Oval Room section of World's Largest Textile Garage sale at the U of M ReUse Program Warehouse.



Shop Artist Judy Schneebeck shows her work at the Holiday Gallery Shop's Eco Fest.

ADULT EDUCATION

FACTS + FIGURES

• 1,244 participants in onsite classes, lectures, and workshops



Student works on a hooked rug in the "INTERLACE: Rug Hooking" class.



Students show their projects from the class "Macramé Wall Hanging."



Students work in Guesting Teaching Artist Ann Coddington's class, "Sculptural Fibers: Open and Closed Forms."

ADULT WORKSHOP TEACHING ARTISTS Diane Aisenbrey Carole Hallman Mercedes Tuma-H

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Dan Horan Jessica Huang Angela Kneale Karin Knudsen Candy Kuehn Susan Leschke Ceci Lewis Mary Loque Cathy Missaghi Michelle Ooley Steve Pauling Ella Ramsey Annabella Sardelis Kim Scanlan Karen Searle Mandi Smethells Alanna Stapleton Tressa Sularz

Mercedes Tuma-Hans Katrina Ulrich Becky Utecht Karen Weiberg Madeline Weismann Peggy Wright

GUEST TEACHING ARTISTS:

Ann Coddington Abdul Jabbar Khatri Sufiyan Khatri Kenneth King Karen Morris Lynda Maynard Jason Pollen Eun-Kyung Suh Rena Wood



Entrapment and Transformation/The Lost Chapters
Carolyn Halliday & Leslie Schwartz
April 25, 2019

Kayta Oicherman

Exhibiting Artist, Stories of the Torn Swaddling Cloth May 30, 2019

Abdul Jabbar Khatri & Sufiyan Khatri Guest Teaching Artists from Bhuj, Gujarat, India June 28, 2019

Susan IversonExhibiting Artist, *Silver Jubilee*September 13, 2019

Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi: What it Means to Make Art in the Current Social and Political Climate October 19, 2019

Kenneth King: Kenneth Takes Manhattan Guest Teaching Artist November 5, 2019



Susan Iverson gives an Art Speaks presentation in the Joan Mondale Gallery.



Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi joins Textile Center for an Art Speaks presentation: What it Means to Make
Art in the Current Social and Political Climate.



Guest Teaching Artist Sufiyan Khatri (middle), visits from Bhuj, Gujarat, India, and is pictured with Textile Center community members at a special pop up gallery shop and Art Speaks presentation.

YOUTH

FACTS + FIGURES

- Students had 168 different fiber art experiences in 25 hands-on textile Summer Camps
- 4 sites hosted monthly meetings of the Youth Fiber Art Guild for after-school groups with approximately 555 youth



Teaching Artist Ceci Lewis and Step Up program student hang fabric dyed and printed by students in the program, before they are turned into garments.

YOUTH PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Youth Fiber Art Guild™ October 2019 – February 2020

Our Youth Fiber Art Guild brings monthly multicultural fiber-art-making experiences to elementary-age students who have limited access to art.

Our partner sites are located in Minneapolis and St. Paul, and the program is no cost to our program partners and students. With instructor support, youth are empowered to explore their creativity and different cultures while making hands-on projects.

FY20 Youth Guild Sites:

- Plymouth Christian Youth Center
- Division of Indian Work
- Luxton Learners
- Indigenous Roots

Support generously provided by:

Rosemary and David

Family Foundation

Step Up June 2019

Textile Center hosted one week of a 9-week internship experience in collaboration with Target, University of Minnesota, and North High in Minneapolis that provided hands-on experience in garment design. Students learned surface design techniques to print and dye yardage that was used in garments of their own creation, culminating in a fashion show at the end of the program.

Summer Camps June – August 2019

In the summer of 2019, we offered 25 textile camps for young students, ages 6–16, with a passion for the arts. Campers learn skills including how to use a sewing machine, weave on a loom, care for real silkworms as they dye their own fabric, and even take a field trip to a Twin Cities design studio to learn about the fashion industry.



Students weave on looms in the Summer Camp Weaving: Adventures in Texture.

TEACHING ARTISTS

Maddy Bartsch Julie Broada Zoja Chmielarczyk Marjorie Fedyszyn Jamie Gerdingen Elizabeth Harrington Nancy Hicks

Dyann Judy Scarlett Larson Ceci Lewis Sarah Nassif Chiaki O'Brien on Jennifer Schultz Jenny Stice



Summer Camp students pose with their naturally dyed creations from the 2019 camp "Natural Dyes."



Step Up program student uses stencils to print on fabric in the Dye Lab.







Summer Camp student poses with their embroidered fabric in the 2019 Summer Camp "Sashiko."

OUTREACH **PROGRAMS**

FACTS + FIGURES

- 1,026 library class participations, 359 youth and 667 adults
- 1,913 youth in field trips



Bananas for Bandanas indigo-dyeing event, sponsored by the Prospect Park Co-op Legacy Fund

PROGRAM PARTNERS

American Craft Council - St. Paul Expo Anoka County Libraries: Centennial. Columbia Heights, Crooked Lake, Johnsville. Mississippi, North Central, Northtown, Rum River, Rum River North County Park Shelter- St. Francis Library, St. Francis (Rum River North Park Shelter)

Art at St. Kates

Bellaire Education Center Benilde - St. Margaret's

Carver County Libraries: Norwood Young America, Watertown

Dakota County Libraries: Dakota Lodge -Thompson, County Park, Pleasant Hill, Robert Trail, South St. Paul, Wentworth, Wescott, 4-H Division of Indian Work

Eastside Neighborhood Services - Luxton Learners FilmNorth

Hennepin County Libraries: Augsburg Park, Brookdale, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, East Lake, Edina, Excelsior, Franklin, Golden Valley, Hopkins, Linden Hills, Maple Plain, Minneapolis Central, Minnetonka, Nokomis, Northeast, Oxboro, Penn Lake, Pierre Bottineau, Ramsgate Apartments, Ridgedale, Rogers, Roosevelt, Southdale, St. Anthony, St. Bonifacius, Sumner, Walker, Washburn. Wavzata, Webber Park, Westonka

Highpoint Center for Printmaking Indigenous Roots

International Spanish Learning Academy Lincoln Park Middle School

Mankato YMCA

Minneapolis Institute of Arts (Mia) - Family Day Minneapolis Institute of Arts (Mia)

Minneapolis Kids

Minneapolis Kids - Burroughs

Minnehaha Academy

Minnesota Center for Book Arts

Minnesota State Fair Creative Activities **Exhibition**

Minnetonka Explorers Club MN Field Trip Expo

MN State Fair Creative Activities Demos North Star Farm Tour - Farm to Fashion

Northern Clay Center

Plymouth Christian Youth Center Prospect Park Grant Project

Bananas for Bandanas

Prospect Park Harvest Social Ramsey County Maplewood Library

St. Paul Academy and Summit School Target Corporation -

Step Up/Achieve Minneapolis The MSP Arts & Culture Program

Twin Cities International School Walker Art Center

Washington County Oakdale Library Washington County RH Stafford -

Let's Make Library

Washington County Schaar's Bluff Gathering Center Library

Washington County Libraries:

Schaar's Bluff Gathering Center, Stillwater Watonwan County Madelia Library YMCA - Minneapolis, Midtown

TEXTILE **CENTER PAT** O'CONNOR LIBRARY

FACTS + FIGURES

- 32.400 items in the collection as of March 31, 2020
- 4,629 visitors to the Library
- 2.750 items checked out
- 144 volunteers donated 861 hours of time to help staff the Library

With one of the largest circulating textile-related 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.



Librarian Nancy Mambi and Garage Sale Pop Up Volunteers sort books in the library

TEXTILE **TOURS**

FACTS + FIGURES

- 3 international tours
- 1 US excursion

Building International Ties through Textiles

Textile Center's 25th Anniversary Year will be remembered as a year for building bridges with textile artists around the world thanks to three international tours to Morocco. Japan, and India, as well as a weekend excursion to the 2019 Santa Fe International Folk Art Market.

From the women who weave stunning wool rugs in the village of N'Kob in the High Atlas Mountains of Morocco to the bandhani and block printing artisans in the Kutch district in northwest India, Textile Center's travelers experienced textile traditions and innovations from around the globe, as well as world heritage sites ranging from the Taj Mahal in India to the temples of Kyoto, Japan.

While the pandemic has put Textile Center's international tour program on pause, exciting destinations are being planned once the pandemic is over. We offer our special thanks to our patrons who took part in our extraordinary vear of travel.

TOURS:

Textile Arts Tour of Morocco May 24 – June 5, 2019

Tour Guide: Dr. Susan Schaefer Davis, author of Women Artisans of Morocco: Their Stories. Their Lives Tour Host: Karl Reichert, Executive Director

Nancy Albrecht Susan Anderson **Beverly Conerton** Alden Drew Mary Gederos Marie Minervini

Don O'Brien Deanna Sanderson Robin Wingo Suzanne O'Brien BarbAnn Pappas JoAnne Zachow Mimie Pollard Norma Zachow Cathy Ann Porter



Textile Center travelers with the rug weavers of N'kob.



Ann Poulson

Robin Wingo (left) and BarbAnn Pappas (right) with Moroccan artists and business leader Amina Yabis (center).

Textile Center Member Excursion Santa Fe International Folk Art Market July 11 – July 14, 2019

Tour Hosts: Karl Reichert, Executive Director and Sharon Mulhollam, Community Engagement Associate

Charlotte Cronin Reynaldo Diaz Leah Doherty William Doherty Jennifer Driscoll Cathy Driscoll Sherri Gebert Fuller Nancy Green

Tina Hughes Debra Loy Kathy Mack Michele Mayama Mark Mulhollam Joan Patterson Donna Peterson Paula Pfaff

Wendy Richardson Mariana Shulstad Craig Shulstad Jenny Staples Kayla Staples LaDonna Thompson **Betty Wass** Karen Weiberg



Shoppers at the Santa Fe International Folk Art Market.

Textiles and Traditional Arts of Japan September 29 – October 9, 2019

Tour Guide: Koshiki Smith, Tanpopo Studio Tour Host: Karl Reichert, Executive Director

Lisa Brenner Mary Ellen Calderwood Charlotte Cronin Lvnda Davis Rosemary Kessler Linda McShannock

Cvndi Kave Meier Donna Peterson Ella Ramsev Kathrvn Rosebear Lorri Talberg Karen Weiberg



Textile Center travelers pose with the owner (far right) of a traditional hot spring ryokan.



Donna Peterson and Charlotte Cronin enjoy lunch during a trip on a Japanese Shinkansen (bullet train).

Intrepid Traveler Award

At our FY20 Annual Meeting held in July 2020 via Zoom. Textile Center Board President presented Rosemary Kessler and Karen Weiberg with the Intrepid Traveler Award. Rosemary and Karen both share the distinction of having traveled to all four international destinations with Textile Center: Morocco 2017, Guatemala 2018, Japan 2019, and India 2020.



Heritage & Textiles: North India with Textile Center January 5 – 21, 2020

Tour Guide: Katrina Ulrich, Marigold Travels Tour Host: Karl Reichert, Executive Director

Barbara Balch Paula Pfaff Ann Poulson Lynda Davis Ella Ramsey Berle Driscoll Lynn Fumuso Lori Sebastian Mary Gederos Priscilla Smith Nancy Hasenmueller Karen Weiberg Rosemary Kessler Mary Williams



Textile Center travelers pose in front of the Tai Mahal.

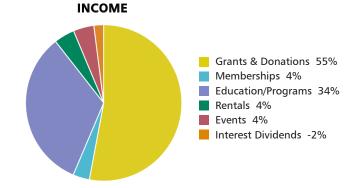


FINANCIAL REPORT

APRIL 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020

INCOME

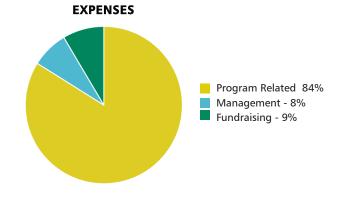
Total Income	\$1,403,51
Interest Dividends	\$-29,562
Events	\$62,635
Rentals	\$62,454
Education/Programs	\$483,325
Memberships	\$50,187
Grants & Donations	\$774,477



EXPENSES

Total Expenses	\$1,264,172
Fundraising	\$107,648
Management	\$95,981
Program Related	\$1,060,542

Net Income \$139,344



BALANCE SHEET

APRIL 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020

ASSETS

Total Assets	\$2,302,928
Other Assets	\$588,781
Building/Fixed Assets	\$1,402,072
Reserves	\$25,038
Mondale Gallery Endowment	\$287,036

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$2,302,928
Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	\$618,654
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	\$1,225,329
Long-Term Debt	\$300,117
Liabilities	\$158,828





I WANT TO BE SEEN, Heather MacKenzie (Orient, Disorient, Repeat Jerome Fiber Artist Project Grantees Exhibition)

Cats Cradle, Gyöngy Laky (Silver Jubilee exhibition)

SUPPORT & CONTRIBUTIONS

With the support of our members, donors, volunteers, and friends, we are able to provide fiber art 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 individuals

VOLUNTEERS

Textile Center would not exist without the generosity, commitment, and talent of our volunteers. These individuals share their time and talent each year in our library, our natural dye garden – A Garden to Dye For, and help with fiber arts demos at events across the region, such as the American Craft Council show, the North Star Farm Tour and Art at St Kate's. They prepare kits for youth programs, they help with gallery installations and Summer Camps. The largest group of volunteers participate in our World's Largest Textile Garage Sale each April, and the Garage Sale Pop Up in October.

In FY20, volunteers gave more than 2,800 hours of their time and talent to support Textile Center. Thank you, volunteers!

FY20 Volunteers of the Year:

Our spectacular 25th Anniversary Gala Volunteers, including co-chairs Linda McShannock and Lisa Steinmann, and our Gala Steering Committee: Michele Mayama, Melaura Duncan, Ann Poulson, and Sharon Mulhollam.



25th Anniversary Gala Co-Chairs Lisa Steinmann and Linda McShannock pose in the

LEADERSHIP CIRCLE

Brenda Andrewson &

Russell Welch

John A. & Sonia Cairns

Alfredo Chiclana-Birch

Sharon Bigot

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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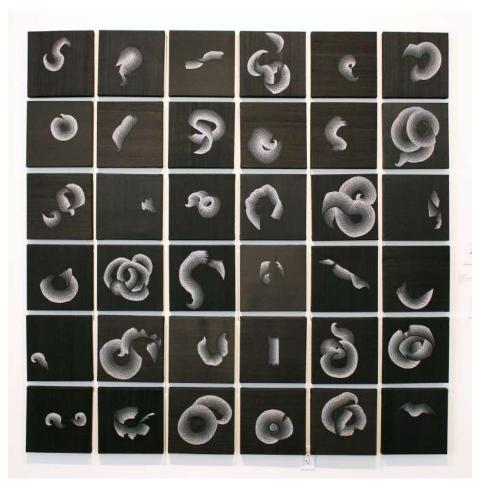
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Celebrating 25 years of honoring textile traditions, promoting excellence and innovation, and inspiring widespread participation in fiber art



Textile Center was incorporated as a 501(c)3 nonprofit arts organization in 1994, and it was founded on a bold idea: Bringing together fiber artists and guilds and creating a community. We want to celebrate absolutely everyone who has played a part in our community these past 25 years.

We recognize our founders, the support of members and committed volunteers, board members, community partners, artists, teachers, class participants, donors, and staff. Together we have made Textile Center into the vibrant national arts organization it is today. Cheers to the next 25 years!

- Linda McShannock & Lisa Steinmann, 25th Anniversary Gala Co-chairs from the 25th Anniversary Gala

"What I think makes me the most proud is the community." It's that all these groups who were scattered about had no idea each other existed we're willing to come together and share a building and support each other. That was a huge accomplishment to bring all these people together."

 Margaret Miller, Co-founder from an interview on Textile Center's 25th Anniversary

"They've far surpassed my dreams and expectations." I mean the library is fantastic. The staff here is great. They've got great ideas. They do wonderful exhibits... the classes... it's exceeded my expectations. Really."

- Paula Pfaff, Co-founder from an interview on Textile Center's 25th Anniversary

LOOKING BACK ON 25 YEARS









25th Birthday Celebration



Mayor Betsy Hodges visits Textile Center

20th Birthday Celebration

"Stitches are sacred, because stitches hold together a designer gown. Stitches mend a monk's worn garment. Stitches are found in operating rooms that mend people's organs. They mend rent and torn skin. Stitches hold together the pieces of a quilt that welcome a new baby into the world. They also close winding sheets. Stitches decorate. They're a language. They're sacred.

I think about this thread, which I imagine to be something that does not perish – it winds around this planet thousands of times. You know how spiders build a web and they keep one leg on one strand to feel if something falls into their web? I imagine myself, and all of us in this building – all of us in here have our fingers on that golden thread that's wound around through eons and spaces and cultures, history, all of it, all of us. It's important to me that we all touch that string to feel that vibration that's very old and continues on into our future."

- Ceci Lewis, Teaching Artist from an interview on Textile Center's 25th Anniversary



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