



Fiber Artists of Oklahoma

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From The President's Desk— Stephanie Grubbs



Welcome to all the new members of Fiber Artists of Oklahoma and welcome to all our returning members. The Oklahoma City area chapter has taken a summer hiatus, but the Tulsa area group has faithfully met and supported each other through the summer. They have begun the planning for Fiberworks 2011. We



Fiberworks 2010 Best of Show by Julie Marks Blackstone, Shawnee.

have not been idle either. We took down and distributed all the beautiful art from our annual show, Fiberworks, and began the process of thanking and re-

porting to those who make it possible to present this show, Oklahoma Arts Council, Kirkpatrick Family Fund and our many donors. I would again like to thank our volunteers for the hundreds of hours you worked. In analyzing the volunteer and entrants critiques of Fiberworks, we were pleased with the many expressions of praise and will also take the few criticisms to heart.

I hope the scorching heat has broken before our next meetings and everyone is energized for an eventful year.

Stephanie

FAO MEETINGS:

Oklahoma City

Date: Thurs, Sept 9th

Time: 7:00pm to 8:45pm

Location: Belle Isle Library,
5501 N Villa, OKC.

Tulsa

Date: Tue, Sept. 14th

Time: 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Location: All Souls Unitarian Church, 2952 S. Peoria Ave., Tulsa.



Membership Report by Barbara Kline

It's been a great summer for new memberships; most of these came in during Fiberworks. Of course, the message this month is that is time to for the rest of you to renew. You don't want to miss any of the news about the chapter and member activities and the work towards

next year's Fiberworks! You may send the renewal to either Dorothy Dinsmoor or me. She'll notify me if she gets it, and I'll forward any checks to her as soon as I have you updated in the master membership list.

Barbara Klein

FIBERWORKS 2010—WRAP UP REPORT

FIBERWORKS 2010 is history, gone but hardly forgotten. A little over a year ago, I agreed to be the chairman and I couldn't have had an easier job. Every member who stepped up to do a job was efficient, on- time, even going the extra mile. Beginning with the beautifully designed prospectus by Carla Houston, every committee ran smoothly.

My great thanks to so many people: Stephanie Grubbs (entries and her fabulous crew), Kay Moore (she helped on everything!), Shirley Conaway (publicity), Elia Woods (award donations), Dorothy Dinsmoor (our illustrious treasurer), Jean Ann Fauser (2010 co-chair and 2011 chair), Anne Murray (grant writer), and Sara Braden (doing odd jobs whenever needed) and Karen Collier (always our 'legal eagle').

The crew who helped on jurying and installation were cooperative, creative, and always patient. A few times things got a little hectic, but everyone pulled together. For that I am very grateful. My thanks to Renee Jones, Brooke Hessler, Kate Kline, Amelia Daws, Kay Moore, Karen Collier, & Janice Filler for getting work organized and installed and stamping out fires.

I apologize for any volunteers I haven't named (old age and forgetfulness comes into play here). Each of you was valuable to our project and I appreciate all the help. The Tulsa crowd really stepped up and the OKC crowd will be there for them next year. **FIBERWORKS**

2011 will be in Tulsa. It will be a big change for FAO, but we're up to the challenge and it's time after all these years to 'spread the love' to Tulsa. **FIBERWORKS 2012** will move back to OKC.

We got rave reviews from the members and public about the show. The entries were very strong, making the juror's job difficult, but she chose a beautiful, strong, professional group of work. I am very pleased to have served as chairman this year. Jean Ann and her committee have already started work on 2011. It will be a great show.

Sue Moss Sullivan



Fiberworks 2010 Juror's Choice by Jean Ann Fauser, Tulsa.



Fiberworks 2010 Most Innovative by Lynne Richards, Stillwater

FIBERWORKS 2010 LIST OF AWARD WINNERS

Best of Show — \$1,000

Knotty Girl 2: Mme. Gautreau Meets Messrs. Seurat & Klimt by Julie Marks Blackstone, Shawnee

Juror's Choice — \$500

Let Me Entertain You by Jean Ann Fausser, Tulsa

Most Innovative — \$500

Floral Fantasy by Lynne Richards, Stillwater

Joe Handley Award for Technical Excellence in Handweaving — \$500

Fine Feathers by Nancy Peterson, Norman

HGA Award for Creativity and Craftsmanship — \$250

Alluvion by C. Elizabeth Smathers, Tulsa

Rachel Valliere Best Handwoven Award — \$250

Sweet Molly Malone by Sally Bachman, Tulsa

Awards of Merit — \$250 each

Bulb Talk by Stephanie Grubbs, Edmond

Minuet by Carla Houston, Oklahoma City

River by Pam Husky, Stigler

Vacation by Sue Moss Sullivan, Oklahoma City

Novae by Kyle Johnson, Martin Lopez, Michael Miller, & E.K Jeong, Weatherford

Statistics for Fiberworks 2010: A total of 68 entrants submitted 148 pieces from which the juror selected 75 pieces from 52 artists.

OKC/TULSA PROGRAMS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER

OKC: We will be showing a DVD by Kathyanne White about printing on uncommon surfaces. Our members that love to work with metal will especially enjoy this video but everyone should learn something new about printing images.

OKC October meeting—Lisa Sorrells, Nationally known custom boot-maker from Guthrie, OK.

TULSA: We have a program for September! Suzanne Anderson, from SuzArt School of Fashion Design, will be speaking and showing her clothing designs followed by a question and answer period. You may see her work on-line at www.suzart.org or on her FaceBook page.

Nominating Committee Report

The following is a list of FAO members were elected to office for the 2010/11 term.

President: Stephanie Grubbs

Program Coordinator : Amelia Daws and Shirley Conaway

Treasurer: Dorothy Dinsmoor

Newsletter Editor: Kay Moore (under protest)

Historian: Stephanie Grubbs

Fiberworks Chair & Co Chair: Jean Ann Fausser and Kate Kline

Membership: Barbara Klein



Karen Collier and Ilze Aviks, the Fiberworks 2010 juror, presenting the awards.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

FAO yearly membership starts in August so it's **time** to renew. Please send your 2010 membership dues of \$20.00 to our Membership Director:

Barbara Klein

6904 N. Grove Ave.

Oklahoma City, OK 73132

The membership forms are attached to the newsletter and will be available to print from our website.

Please, make checks payable to FAO.

FAO Treasurer's Report



We haven't received our grant money yet for \$3000 but all the Fiberworks income and expenses are complete.

Beginning Balance—\$4601.30

Fiberworks 2010 Income—\$9341.70

Fiberworks 2010 Expenses—\$9450.48



2010 VISION MAKERS



SEPTEMBER 3-30, 2010

Living Arts of Tulsa / 307 E. Brady / Tulsa, OK
bradycraftalliance.org

Oklahoma's VisionMakers 2010 Returns to Tulsa

Exhibition Features Prominent NY Juror Jeannine Falino

Created to recognize and reward excellence among Oklahoma Craft Artists, VisionMakers 2010 will make a September return to Tulsa under the organization of the Brady Craft Alliance. After more than 20 years, the prominent event returns to the city where it was founded. Guest juror is Jeannine Falino, curator at the Museum of Arts and Design in New York City.

Opening Reception

September 11th, 6-9pm

Juror's Critique and Awards, September 11, 4-6PM

By joining the Brady Craft Alliance now at www.bradycraftalliance.org you will be a true "vision maker" for the arts in Oklahoma. Additionally, those supporting the new organization through memberships or sponsorships before September 30th will be invited to a members only closing party at a private Tulsa home.

Thank you to Eats2u Catering

MORE FAO NEWS CAN BE FOUND.....

Please check out the FAO blog <http://www.fiberartistsok.org/blog/> for photos and notes from the Tulsa August meeting and other news. The Tulsa group has been very active this summer so don't miss all the photos that were taken at their meeting. Please, notice that Tulsa will be meeting at the All Souls Unitarian Church for the next three months while the library is under construction. I will be utilizing our blog and cutting back on the newsletter this year since no one volunteered to take the job.



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FAO Membership Dues run from September—August each year. Dues are \$20.00, please make checks payable to Fiber Artists of Oklahoma and mail to Barbara Klein, 6904 N. Grove Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73132. For questions call 405-728-2200.

We Are On The Web!

<http://www.fiberartistsok.org>

<http://fiberartistsok.org/blog/>

ABOUT US:

Fiber Artists of Oklahoma (FAO) is made up of individuals interested in sharing knowledge and promoting appreciation of all aspects of fiber art, including weaving, spinning, embroidery, basketry, felting, papermaking, dyeing, rug hooking, lace-making, and quilting. Skill levels of members range from novice to expert, with some members experimenting as hobbyists, and others working as professionals.

Members of FAO participate in various activities during the year to encourage, support, and inform persons interested in fiber art. The organization promotes **Fiberworks**, a major juried fiber art show

featuring Oklahoma artists. Held each year, Fiberworks is now a nationally respected fiber show.

Fiber Artists of Oklahoma was formerly the Handweavers League of Oklahoma, the name chosen in 1976 by a group of hand weavers who first met in Norman, Oklahoma. Officers were elected, by-laws were written, and the first newsletter was published. In 1984 the group began meeting in Oklahoma City and became a statewide organization. A Certificate of Incorporation to become a non-profit [(501(c) (3)] group was filed and approved in 1985. In 1978, the organization initiated Fiberworks , a major juried fiber art show that has been held each year since. The Handweavers League was renamed Fiber Artists of Oklahoma in 2006 to better reflect the broader focus of the organization.

Fiber Artists of Oklahoma meets in Oklahoma City the second Thursday and in Tulsa the second Tuesday of each month from September through November and January through June. All meetings with the exception of the June Potluck dinner meeting are at the Belle Isle Library, 5501 N. Villa, Okla. City at 7:00pm or the Schusterman-Benson Library, 3333 East 32nd Place, Tulsa, at 6:00 pm unless otherwise notified.