**Fine Art of Fiber 2023**

**Exhibit Rules and Requirements, November 3-5, 2023**

**Entry & Acceptance Criteria**

Only current members of IQI, NSNG, or WGNS are eligible for submission. Members may submit more than one piece. Exhibit space, however, is limited and only one item per member is guaranteed acceptance. **Please prioritize multiple entries (excluding challenge items & group projects).**

**Entries are due and must be received by September 12, 2023.** Each entry requires a separate paper form. **Mail or hand deliver to Chris Deering,** 7120 W. Niles Ave., Niles, IL 60714. **There is a $10 nonrefundable submission fee per item, however items in group projects have a nonrefundable submission fee of $5. (See group project info sheet.)** Make checks payable to Fine Art of Fiber.

**Each form must have an attached color photo printed on 4" x 6" photo quality paper** (no email) to help in deciding exhibit layout.

Entrants must have created most of the work on the item, and entries may not have been shown at any previous Fine Art of Fiber Show.

**Hanging work must have a rod pocket that stops at least 1.5” from each edge of piece. Framed pieces should have a wire.**

**Maximum length is 112 inches. Maximum weight is 15 pounds** unless you are available to hang your piece Thursday, Nov 2. **If we are unable to safely hang your work, it will not be displayed.**

**Before check-in, all items must have a completed pin-to-entry form attached. Items that are for sale must also have an exhibit sales tag.** The ID number used on the tag and sheet will be assigned and mailed to you with your acceptance. Also, please be sure that the price you write on the tag and the original entry form are identical. If there is a conflict, we will charge the lowest price. We will be unable to exhibit or sell anything that does not conform to these requirements.

 Accepted entrants are **required to volunteer for a minimum of 2.5 hours in the show area. Entrants who have pieces accepted for sale will be required to work an additional 2.5 hour shift**. These are exclusively Exhibit obligations and are in addition to any volunteer responsibilities in the boutique. Additional volunteer shifts are encouraged.

Accepted pieces must be delivered to the Botanic Garden Regenstein Center the morning of **Thursday, November 2** **by 11 a.m**. Be sure all your paperwork is complete before approaching the check in table. Items may be retrieved **after 5:45 pm, Sunday, November 5**. **Nothing will be released prior to 5:45.**

**Please Note:** The Chicago Botanic Garden is a family-oriented venue, not an art gallery. Please self-police your entries. The Garden and the FAOF committee maintain the right to reject inappropriate work and deny future participation to exhibitors who are disruptive or do not follow the rules.

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