

76th Annual Craftsmen's Fair
2009 BEST BOOTH PRESENTATION AWARDS

Terri Wiltse, Fair Director and LNHC Operations Manager and Jeff Brown, Chair of the Fair Committee presented the Booth Awards *Sponsored by the League of NH Craftsmen:*
\$350 credit toward 2010 Booth at the Fair.

Juror #1 Best Booth Presentation: 1st Choice: PHILIP JACOBS - BOOTH # 417
Honorable to: DAVID PELLERIN B 441 & PAT PALSON B 530

Juror #2 Best Booth Presentation: 1st Choice: ANNETTE FRYE – BOOTH # B 525
Honorable mention to: LOCKLIN SMITH B 619 & DAN DUSTIN B 207

Juror #3 Best Booth Presentation: 1st Choice: MATT BROWN — BOOTH # 402
Honorable mention to: LULU FICHTER B 505 & SUZANNE CONNOR B 308

Susie presented the Best Educational Booth award to SANDRA WHITE – Booth 801 – Sponsored by the Wolfeboro LNHC Council

20 Year's at the Fair Recognition Awards: *Congratulations on 20 years!* The League of NH Craftsmen congratulates the following people who are celebrating 20 years at the Fair!: Joe DeRobertis, Janet Duchesneau, Genevieve Grossbeck, Tom Jipson, Matthew Smith, Linda Sorensen – and a special recognition to Sussy Rose-Shields for 20 years at The Shop at the Fair!

THE 2009 RECIPIENT OF THE BLACKSTONE AWARD

DONNA TERUKO HIROMURA-SAYDEK was honored with the 2009 Blackstone Volunteer Recognition Award at the Craftsmen's dinner last night. Donna has been an active juried member in botanicals (mixed media) since 1990 until her passing in May. Donna was co-chair of the Fair Committee for many years, served on the Board of Trustees, and was the coordinator for the Next Generation tent at the Fair. To quote one of the nominators: "Her efforts are an investment in the healthy future of the League, as some of these kids will no doubt become committed, juried members down the road." We are proud to recognize Donna as the 2009 recipient of the Blackstone Award. Her husband John and her sister Joan were at the dinner and John graciously accepted the award for Donna. Her spirit is here.

Begun in 1979, this honor is one of the most important recognitions presented by the League. The award is in honor of Edie Blackstone, who worked on staff, retired and then volunteered for years. Her husband, Jess Blackstone, was a wood carver in the League for many years. Edie provided craft education and membership services. We celebrate her selfless dedication and volunteer work through the Blackstone Volunteer Recognition Award. *The Plaque is on display in the Fair Office. Congratulations and thank you!*

Past Recipients of this award include:

Betty Miller, Bea Caldwell, Dot Strong, Esther Newell, Richard Johnson, Marjorie Barry, Louisa & Robert Miner, Aurise Randall-Batchelder, Kevin Plunkett, Jeanne Holmes, Edith Grodin, Marjorie Dehls, Kira Fournier & Maureen Mills, Robert J. Sylvia, Ginger Parsons, Deborah Grant, Roger Roberge, Eleanor "Tin" Bacon, A. Susie Gray, Jeanne Holmes, Gail Wilson, Adele Sanborn, Sheri Ensign, Parker Potter & Steve Zoldak, Polly Allen, Ruth Burt, Jack Holton, Cynthia Hunt, and Ingeborg Eddy, Andy Hampton, Donna Teruko Hiromura-Saydek.

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2009 LIVING WITH CRAFT AWARDS:

Best in Show: Sponsored by Corzilius, Matuszewski and Krause Architects, PA. *This is their 22nd year of sponsorship, Thank you!* Award recipient **DONALD BRIERE for Large-Segmented Floor Vase**

Best in Traditional Design: Sponsored by Merrimack County Savings Bank. Award recipient: **ERIC TAYLOR for "Burgundy Arch" Basket**

Best in Wood: Sponsored by Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers. Award recipient: **TERRY MOORE for Console Table**

E.L. Grodin Best Collaborative: Sponsored by Edith L. Grodin. Award recipient: **VICTORIA ELBROCH & MAUREEN MILLS for Landscape Series Vase**

Joe Tucker Metal Award: Sponsored by Norman and Nora Stevens. Award recipient: **PAULETTE WERGER for Dandelion Serving Set**

Best in Two-Dimensional Design: Sponsored by Loring Stevens. Award recipient: **DEBORAH FALLS for Bee Balm**

Stevens Glass Award: Sponsored by Norman and Nora Stevens. Award recipient: **HANS SCHEPKER for Landscape 1, "Up Cubes"**

Best in Ceramics- Functional: Sponsored by the NH Potter's Guild since 1989. Award for recipient: **ANDY HAMPTON for Porcelain Vase**

Best in Ceramics- Decorative: Sponsored by the NH Potter's Guild since 1989. Award recipient: **BOYAN MOSKOV for Disk Wall Hanging**

Best in Weaving: Sponsored by the NH Weaver's Guild. Award recipient: **ERICA PFISTER for Krokbragd Rug**

Best in Fiber: Sponsored by Skyview Alpacas, Jim & Sue King. Award recipient: **MARY JANE PEABODY for "Seed Pods" Proddy Rug**

Gorst Print Award: Anonymous sponsor. Award recipient: **CATHERINE GREEN for "Sylvan Dancer"**

Best in Baskets Award: Sponsored by Polly Allen. Award recipient: **ERIC TAYLOR for "Burgundy Arch" Basket**

Public Choice Award: Sponsored by *Davis & Towle Group, Inc.* Award Recipient: **JEFF LIND for High Back Rocker**

2009 SCULPTURE GARDEN AWARDS:

Best in Show: Sponsored by Vahan and Anne Sarkisian. Award recipient: **NATHAN MACOMBER for Untitled**

Public Choice Award:-Sponsored by Robert & Rita Cricenti. Award Recipient: **NATHAN MACOMBER for Untitled**

2009 CRAFTWEAR AWARDS:

Best of Show Award: Sponsored by John & Jill Schiffman of Schiffman, Paul & Dittilio, PC. Award recipient: **PAULETTE WERGER for *Drawing #2/Autumn Vine***

Best in Jewelry: Sponsored by Cordwainer Gallery of Fine Crafts.
Award recipient: **NANCY NOBIS for "*The Power of One*"**

Best in Metal Jewelry Award: Sponsored by Eleanor "Tin" Bacon.
Award recipient: **PAULETTE WERGER for *Bubble Neckpiece***

Best in Jewelry with Stone: **Sponsored by Mark & Heidi Knipe of Mark Knipe Goldsmiths. Award recipient: SANDRA McCAW for Falling Leaves Earrings**

Best in Clothing: Sponsored by the League Retail Gallery Managers.
Award recipient: **MARCIA HAMMOND for *A New Fold (skirt and top set)***

Creative Sewing Award: Sponsored by Arnold Goldstein of Martin's House of Cloth.
Award recipient: **CAMILLE B. GIBSON for *Soft Sculpture Goldfish***

Best in Fine Sewing Award: Sponsored by Gretchen Rath of the Portsmouth Fabric Co.
Award recipient: **BETH LUX for *Vylah***

Arts for All Award: **Sponsored by Governor's Commission on Disability.**

Award recipient: JANETT GILMAN for *Sassy Salamanders on Parade*

Best in Mixed Media Jewelry: **Sponsored by Gondwana & Divine Clothing Co. Award recipient: KATHLEEN DUSTIN for *Summer Neckpiece***

Best in Accessories: Sponsored by the Cordwainer Gallery of Fine Crafts.
Award recipient: **NANCY HORRALL for *Flowering Shawl***

Dorr Mill Award: Sponsored by Terry Dorr of the Dorr Mill Store.
Award recipient: **MARCIA HAMMOND for *The Black and White Of It***

Best Use of Color Award in Weaving: Sponsored by Pam Grob of The Fiber Studio.
Award recipient: **PATRICIA PALSON for *Circle of Love***

Weaving With Wool Award: Sponsored by Pat Colony of Harrisville Designs.
Award recipient: **PATRICIA PALSON for *Greenpiece***

Elegant Ewe Best in Knitting Award: Sponsored by The Elegant Ewe. Award recipient: **DEBRA BURY for *Lumere De Nuit***

N.H. Institute of Art Award: **Sponsored by the N.H. Institute of Art.**

Award recipient: THOMAS McGURRIN for *Bamboo Pendant*

Public Choice Award: Sponsored by the League Retail Gallery Managers.
Award Recipient: **JOY RASKIN for *Glorious in Purple***

Thank you to all of our Award Sponsors for your support of the League of NH Craftsmen.

- *The awards juror for Living With Craft was Trish Anderson Soule former owner of Anderson-Soule Gallery and Art Consulting and the Awards Juror for CraftWear was Bente Torjusen, director of the AVA Gallery in Lebanon, NH*