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**The League of NH Craftsmen Hosts Exhibition:
Celebrating the Loom
September 18 – December 11, 2009
Gallery 205, Concord, NH**

CONCORD, NH – The League of NH Craftsmen’s Gallery 205 is hosting an exhibition featuring the work of the New Hampshire Weavers Guild. All of the pieces in this exhibition were made by guild members, some of whom are juried members of the League (*a list of participants appears at the end of this release.*). The exhibition features a wide array of distinctive, hand-woven items to wear, such as coats, vests, and scarves, and for the home, such as blankets, table runners, and wall hangings.

“The New Hampshire Weavers Guild and the League share a common goal – we are committed to nurturing the spirit of the maker by giving craftsmen opportunities to expand and showcase their skills. This exhibition is a good example of that,” said League Executive Director Susie Lowe-Stockwell.

The exhibition will be in the League’s Gallery 205 in Concord from September 18 through December 11, 2009. An opening reception is scheduled for Friday, September 18 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Awards for technique and creativity will be given during the opening reception. The New Hampshire Weavers Guild will also present a People’s Choice award after the show closes to the piece that received the most votes during the exhibition.

Gallery 205 is located in the League of NH Craftsmen’s headquarters at 205 North Main Street in Concord, NH and is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturdays, during the exhibition, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The New Hampshire Weavers Guild was an offshoot of the League of NH Craftsmen, becoming a separate entity in 1938. “The partnership between our organizations is most evident during the Annual Craftsmen’s Fair. Each year, our educational program includes weaving demonstrations by members of the Weavers Guild,” said Lowe-Stockwell. “We are proud to help support these talented craftspeople.”

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About the New Hampshire Weavers Guild

The New Hampshire Weavers Guild is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to an appreciation of weaving and textile arts. It currently has more than 200 members throughout New Hampshire and from bordering state that meet six times a year. For more information, visit www.nhweaversguild.org.

About the League of NH Craftsmen

The League of NH Craftsmen is a non-profit, craft education organization. Its mission is to encourage, nurture, and promote the creation, use, and preservation of fine contemporary and traditional craft through the inspiration and education of artists and the broader community. For more information about the *Celebrating the Loom* exhibition, Gallery 205, or the League of NH Craftsmen, call 603-224-3375 or visit www.nhcrafts.org.



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Participants in the *Celebrating the Loom* Exhibition

Sharon Baker Kelly, Durham, NH
Barbara Burns, No. Sutton, NH
Deborah Carey, Mirror Lake, NH
Virginia Coolidge, Grantham, NH
Jane Dumais, Wilmot, NH
June Eria, New London, NH
Sarah Fortin, Mason, NH
Diana Frost, Durham, NH
Arlene Iigenfritz, Lochmere, NH
Elaine Isaak, Bedford, NH
Sue Jones, Brentwood, NH
Pat Lipman, Nashua, NH
Anne Stettler, New London, NH
Leslie Stone, New London, NH
Paula Taggaart, Parsonsfield, ME
Hope Thomas, Hillsborough, NH
Marjie Thompson, Cumberland Ct, ME
Ruth Ward, Stoddard, NH
Linda Williams, Ashby, MA