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(LtoR: Beaded necklace by Anne Sherman; photograph by Karen & Dick Hudnall)

**The Gallery at the League of NH Craftsmen Headquarters Hosts
Fine Craft Exhibition: *End of the Rainbow*
September 16 to December 16, 2016
Opening Reception: Friday, September 16, 5pm to 7pm**

CONCORD, NH – The phrase “end of the rainbow” is a popular motif in our culture, representing many ideas and images. Thirty-two master craftsmen have interpreted this theme in a creative and imaginative way in a multi-media fine craft exhibition hosted by the League of NH Craftsmen called *End of the Rainbow*. The evocative collection of work includes an intricate quilt with the full spectrum of colors; an ornate piece of silver jewelry with an emerald stone that calls to mind the Wizard of Oz’s Emerald City; a decorative wood wall hanging that represents 1,000 welcomes in Irish/Gaelic; and a mixed media piece that features a Wendell Barry poem about our inner longing for simplicity and peace. All of the craft is made by juried members of the League and is available for purchase.

The exhibition is on display at The League’s Gallery at The Craft Center and headquarters on 49 South Main Street in Concord from September 16 through December 16. An opening reception, where the public can meet and speak with the participating exhibitors, is scheduled for Friday, September 16 from 5 pm to 7 pm. The Gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturdays, during the exhibition, 10 am to 4 pm.

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“One of nature’s creations, a rainbow – with its beautiful colors and associations – has been a favorite subject for artists,” said Jane Oneail, executive director of the League of NH Craftsmen. “The works in this exhibit communicate the feelings of joy, hope, and peace that often associated with rainbows. It is truly inspiring.”

The Grodin Permanent Collection Museum

Along with the *End of the Rainbow* exhibition, visitors can also enjoy the fine craft displayed in the League’s Grodin Permanent Collection Museum. Now on display is “Ode to Susan Bliss,” a felted piece by League member June Adinah, which was newly acquired for the League’s Permanent Collection at the 2016 *Living With Craft* exhibition at the League’s Annual Craftsmen’s Fair in August. The Permanent Collection features this and other craft from the League’s early years to the present, including pieces made by some of the world’s renowned craftspeople, such as Otto and Vivika Heino and Edwin and Mary Scheier. Admission to the museum is free.

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. The League represents the *signature of excellence* in fine craft, through the work of its juried members, and its rigorous standards for self-expression, vision, and quality craftsmanship. The League of NH Craftsmen is supported in part by a grant from the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts. The Gallery has been made possible through the generosity of Concord Orthopaedics.



For more information about the current exhibitions, the Gallery, or the League of NH Craftsmen, call 603-224-3375, email nhleague@nhcrafts.org, or visit the League’s website at www.nhcrafts.org.

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Participants in *End of the Rainbow* Exhibition

Andover, NH:	Gillian Smith
Boscawen, NH:	Adele Sanborn
Canterbury, NH:	Scott Ruesswick
Chester, NH:	Grace Collette
Concord, NH:	Maureen Redmond-Scura
Danville, NH:	Catherine Falkenburg
Derry, NH:	Donna Zils Banfield
Franklin, NH:	Jack Dokus
Hampstead, NH:	Deb Fairchild
Hampton, NH:	Kathleen Collins
Hanover, NH:	Shari Boraz
Henniker, NH:	Heidi Edwards Dunn
Hollis, NH:	Jack Graceffa
Loudon, NH:	Pam Bartlett
Manchester, NH:	Nurit Niskala
Middleton, NH:	Robert Carrier
Munsonville, NH:	Robert Englund
Nashua, NH:	Karen & Dick Hudnall, Anne Sherman
New Ipswich, NH:	Renee Blanchette
South Sutton, NH:	Carolyn Wright
Strafford, NH:	Michele O'Neil Kincaid, Wen Redmond, Elena Wikstrom
Stratham, NH:	Catherine Green
Warner, NH:	Susan Beere, James McLaughlin
Windham, NH:	Carol Babineau
Gill, MA:	Kathleen Litchfield
Wilmington, MA:	William Frost
Tyngsboro, MA:	Ritva Ojanen
Bridgewater, VT:	Amanda Sisk

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