



Spring Fiber Arts Sale

presented by the Portland Handweavers Guild

with The Gathering of the Guilds at the Oregon Convention Center, April 21-23, 2017

Apply at phgapplication.squarespace.com by midnight, January 31, 2017

2017 brings exciting changes to our annual spring event. Be sure to read everything! We've added a jurying process, restructured our fees, and updated our entry standards, opening the show to all fiber artists. As in the past, PHG is sharing an exhibit hall with four other guilds: the Creative Metal Arts Guild, the Guild of Oregon Woodworkers, the Oregon Glass Guild, and the Portland Bead Society. This year, the Oregon Potters Association's Ceramic Showcase is returning to the Convention Center, and will be sharing one enormous space with the Gathering of the Guilds! Wow! A huge space filled with creative energy! We hope you'll join us!

2017 Entry Standards

- a. All items submitted for sale must be hand-crafted by PHG members with emphasis on the quality of craftsmanship and creativity.
- b. Items must be original in concept, design, and execution, or of historical or ethnic derivation.
- c. Items should belong to one or more of the following techniques or materials:
 - Weaving
 - Spinning
 - Hand dyeing
 - Felting
 - Basketry
 - Surface design
 - Knitting or crochet
 - Clothing design and sewing
 - Bead weaving
 - Handmade fiber art tools
 - 2D or 3D textile art
 - Lacework
 - Kumihimo or other braidwork
 - Greeting cards with swatches of textiles or fiber art images
 - Items not listed above but generally considered to be fiber art
- d. The sale committee reserves the right to ask for removal of items that are inconsistent with the Entry Standards. Work appropriate for bazaars is not acceptable.

Application and Jurying: Apply using the online form at phgapplication.squarespace.com. There is no application fee. Follow the instructions on the website to submit images of your work. A panel of fiber artists will look at your work, and the highest-scoring applicants will be accepted. You do not need to be a PHG member to apply but you must join the Guild to participate in the Fiber Arts Sale.

Booth Sizes and Costs

- All booths are 10' x 10' with a flat fee **and no commission!**
- Booths may be shared by up to 4 people, each of whom must successfully jury
- An inline booth is \$295
- A corner booth (4 available) is \$345
- The booth at the entrance to our show is \$395
- A limited number of double booths (10' x 20') are available.

Required Volunteer Shift: Each artist or their proxy (such as a friend or family member who is at least 16 years of age), is required to volunteer a total of four hours during the show. Our volunteer coordinator will oversee signups.

Cancellation Policy: If you notify the sale committee at phgfiberartsale@gmail.com on or before March 1, 2017, a full refund will be made. After March 1 refunds will be as follows: If we can find another artist to fill your space, you will receive a 50% refund less a \$50 administrative fee. If we are unable to fill your space, you will not receive a refund.

Artists have a choice of using Central Checkout or handling their own sales:

- Central Checkout - Provide inventory sheets at the beginning of the sale so Central Checkout can record your sales. Merchant fees of approximately 3.5% will be deducted from credit or debit card sales of your items. It may take up to four weeks to receive your check.
- We encourage all artists to consider doing their own sales. Your customers will have a more direct and engaging experience, you will get your money right away, no tedious filling out of inventory sheets, and it helps our Central Checkout volunteers. 90% of customers will want to pay with a card, which is super easy these days. The Guild uses the popular Square service, which takes (literally!) five minutes to set up. Download the free app to your phone or tablet, enter your name, address, email etc, and the bank account you'd like to deposit into. A free card swiper is mailed to you, and the only cost is a 2.75% fee per transaction. Take a look at squareup.com, or download it from your device's app store.

Artist's entry forms and jury images are due Tuesday, January 31, 2017. We will notify you on February 15 via email if you have been accepted, and the location of your booth in the layout. Additional information about participation and joining PHG will be sent with your acceptance notice. February 28 is the deadline for submitting your booth fee and PHG membership form.

The Spring Sale is an incredible opportunity to share our passion for fiber arts. We look forward to another successful adventure with your involvement.

Sale Co-Chairs

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Timeline:

January 31, 2017 Online entry form and jury images due by midnight

February 15, 2017 Acceptance or non-acceptance notice emailed

February 28, 2017 Deadline for submitting booth fee and PHG membership form

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