



Fiberart International 2007

FAMILY FUN GUIDE!

What is fiber art ?

Fiber art is a style of art using textiles such as fabric, yarn, and natural and synthetic (man-made) fibers. **Fiberart International 2007** is an exhibit of artworks made by artists from around the world.

You may be surprised to see that there's more to fiber art than quilts and potholders! Explore the galleries and consider how artists use many different techniques, materials, (fish scales, anyone?) and a whole lot of imagination to create very unique works of art.

Please remember not to touch the artwork. Fiber art is very fragile!



Find *Re Do* by Tilleke Schwarz.

This artist is inspired by graffiti, old-fashioned samplers and the world around her. Many years ago, girls learned needlework at a very young age. They showed off their stitching skills by embroidering samplers, or sewn cloths decorated with pictures, messages, the alphabet, and their name and date.

How is this work like an old-fashioned sampler?



Find *Divalia* by Reina Mia Brill.

This artist knit metal wire together on a knitting machine, creating the glistening mesh that covers the sculpture. Knit materials are usually stretchy. Historians believe that socks are some of the oldest examples of knitting. Why do you think socks or stockings would be made of knit material?

Make up a fun story about *Divalia*.



Find *Woods at Night* by Nancy Koenigsberg.

The technique of weaving has existed for thousands of years. Instead of using traditional fiber like yarn, this artist weaves with wire. She then stacks and stitches the woven layers together and folds them into the final shape.

What title would you give this work of art?



Find *The Vintage Purse* by Pam RuBert.

All her life, this artist has drawn cartoons. One day, she decided to turn her drawings into quilts, and named the woman you see here PaMdora. Locate other quilts in the exhibit. Which is your favorite?

How many purses does PaMdora have?

What's it made of?

Find these works of art and match the materials to the work of art.

fish scales

kimono silk

old military blankets

rubber bands

flower petals

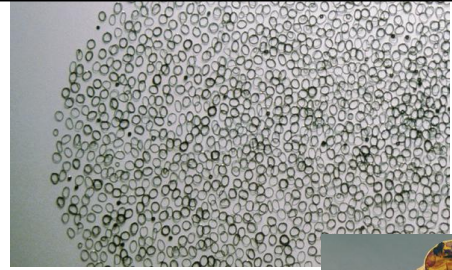
Visit www.handsoncrafts.org, an online studio for kids to play around with weaving, quilting and basketry!

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