



VINTAGE HANDBAG EXHIBIT 2012

Handbag Exhibit Information Sheet

1. **Entry Fee:** Entry is \$10 for the first handbag, and \$7 each for additional handbags entered if pattern is delivered by email. Entry fees will be used to create the exhibit and for Honorable Entry awards. Entry fees may be paid by check or credit card - follow payment instruction at www.fiberandfolk.com/handbag.htm, or on the entry form.
You may choose to have a pattern mailed to you, we charge an additional \$7 handling fee for mailing. The handling fee covers printing costs, staff time, and postage.
2. **Honorable Entries:** We will have the exhibit judged. Honorable Entry awards are awarded by the piece, not by the artist. If you collaborate on a bag and it receives an award, you will be given one prize.
3. **Entry Form:** Those who wish to enter must complete our online entry form. Only bags with both a paid fee and entry form will be accepted. All other bags will be returned. Entry Form is accessed on www.fiberandfolk.com/handbag.htm
4. **Entrants:** Anyone is eligible to enter their work into the exhibit, provided they have completed an entry form and paid the applicable entry fee(s) for each bag entered. It can be your first exhibited piece or your 100th exhibited piece. This exhibit is not juried, except to ensure the submitted bags meet the criteria outlined in #6 below.
5. Because the exhibit tells a story, each entrant is asked to share their thoughts on how they designed their bag and their story about who taught them their craft and when. Bags designed should honor our traditions of fine craft, handed down through our families, teachers, and friends. All entered bags must have a list of materials used, how it was created (felted, knit, etc), a name for the piece, and artist name & address attached by pin to the interior of each bag submitted.
6. The pattern is provided to you as a guide and for general shaping and "look" of the bag. You are not confined to using the pattern or the same materials. In other words, this is a crochet pattern but your final bag can be knit, felt, sewn, quilted, woven, beaded, etc. etc. **LET YOUR IMAGINATION RUN WILD!** There are three criteria that all bags **MUST** meet:
 - A. Bags submitted should evoke the pattern and **MUST**:
 1. Use three diamonds on the front and three diamonds on the back of the bag and use buttons, beads, knobs, or some type of circle with the diamonds.
 2. Proportion – the bag must be kept in proportion and be roughly square front/back.
 - a. Smallest bag may not be smaller than 4" high x 4" across (clutch)
 - b. Largest bag may not be bigger than 18" high x 18" across
 - B. Bags that do not meet the above criteria will be returned and not exhibited.
7. You may drop off your bag at the appropriate time and location to be furnished later; or you may ship your bag to us, to be received at the appropriate time and place. Drop off and shipping specific dates/places will be sent later. The following will apply:
 - A. Drop off – we will have a specific time/date/and location for you to drop off your bag at the Fairgrounds. We may have other locations, depending on the number of bags to be submitted. (Pick up will be at the end of July in Woodstock, see #9).
 - B. Shipping: Entrant pays all shipping fees to the Fair and all accepted bags **MUST** have return shipping included in the form of a prepaid and pre addressed shipping label (UPS, USPS, or FEDX only). The Fair will not keep any bags, nor be responsible for donating them to any other organization. If return postage is not included, the bag will not be shown with the exhibit.
8. **Insurance:** the Fair is not responsible for any insurance costs for your bag during shipping. Your bag will be covered during the exhibit by our Fair insurance. If you wish your bag to be insured and it is to be shipped back to you, please purchase your insurance for the return trip at the time you purchase your prepaid shipping.
9. **Additional Exhibit:** We have arranged for the handbags to be exhibited as part of a fine art show at the Woodstock Courthouse Art Gallery during the month of July. Handbags will not be returned until after the exhibit. If you do not wish to be part of the exhibit, please inform us when you send in your handbag. We encourage you to take part!

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