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A FIBER ARTS EXHIBIT

NANCY BOONSTRA

LIBBY CRAWFORD

KEN FOSTER

KAREN HOEKSTRA

BETTY KAMMERAAD DOBBIE

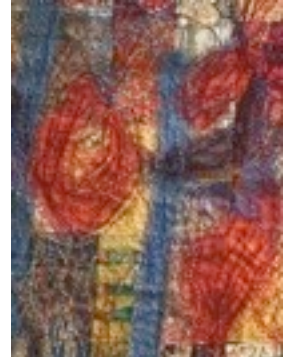
SHERI VANDUYN

ANN WILLEY

NOV 22 — FEB 16

RECEPTION AND GALLERY WALK

JAN 24, 2010, 11:30



Gallery Hours: Weekdays 9:00–1:00, Fri. to noon. Call 616-842-0710 for special arrangements.

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Many Threads, One Cloth. A Fiber Arts Exhibit opens at the Atrium Gallery of Second Christian Reformed Church, Grand Haven, on November 22. Most of the featured artists are from the Grand Haven area. Their works demonstrate a wide variety of styles and materials.

Nancy Boonstra weaves wearable art. Referring to her elegant scarves, she says, "I make textiles because I love the rhythm of repetition and pattern."

Ken Foster, retired teacher and well-known ceramist often accentuates his sculptures with protruding or woven rope, wire and electrical cord and cables.

Betty Kammeraad Dobbie has been spinning, weaving and teaching for 30 years and counting. She predicts, "There is always a new adventure around the corner and my looms will be busy for many years to come."

The late Libby Crawford is represented with three of her last works, including an eighteen foot long landscape commissioned by the late Barbara Sherwood, now property of the Tri-Cities Historical Museum. Betty Kammeraad Dobbie, her long-time friend, says of her, "She became a wonderful teacher and traveled to teach workshops around Michigan and out of state as well."

Sheri Van Duyn, best known for her skills in basketry, is good at weaving, too, as shown by her recent creations.

Karen Hoekstra's discovery of tapestry some thirty years ago was her entry into the world of textiles, with which she has produced numerous weavings. Shown in the Exhibit are examples of her earlier works, as well as more recent ones, in which she combines drawing with sewing, using thread as her drawing tool.

Ann Willey uses media paintings and rug hookings to convey themes of family, nurturing, memories, and connectedness with animals and the natural world.

A reception for the artists and a Gallery walk is planned for Sunday, January 24, at 11 o'clock. The Exhibit runs through February 14, 2010. Gallery hours are Sunday through Thursday, 9:00 to 1:00; Friday till noon. Special arrangements for off-hour visits can be made by calling the church office at 616 842-0710.