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Book Artist Has First Major Local Exhibit

An East Lansing artist who has established a national reputation for her literary sculptures and artist books will have her first major mid-Michigan exhibit during October.

Susan Hensel, whose recent shows in Ann Arbor, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Birmingham, Alabama received considerable acclaim in the local media, opens an exhibit of her latest work at Thomas & Sons Bookstore and Gallery of Latin American Folk Art in downtown East Lansing on Sunday, Oct. 6, from noon to 5 p.m.

The Birmingham News reported in May that "Susan Hensel has discovered how to take advantage of the artistic values found in handmade books. She explores the world of sensate response by creating volumes that appeal to the eye, the sense of touch and above all, the wonder of the mind when in contact with an idea."

Hensel will be exhibiting more than 30 original books and sculptures, many made of her own handmade paper. The artist will be present at the opening to talk about her art and personally autograph her books.

Thomas and Sons is open Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. The Hensel exhibit continues through November 1.

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