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Paducah, KY: Yeiser Art Center is excited to host FANTASTIC FIBERS, our annual juried international fiber exhibition which seeks to showcase a wide range of outstanding works related to the fiber medium. One of Yeiser Art Center's most engaging, innovative & colorful international exhibits, Fantastic Fibers is an inspirational must-see for fine artists, quilters, and textile art enthusiasts across the globe.

Fantastic Fibers began in 1987 as a wearable art show but has evolved over the years to include a compelling mix of traditional and non-traditional works created from natural or synthetic fibers, and work that addresses the subject or medium of fiber. Now in its 35th year, Fantastic Fibers continues to impress visitors!

Matt Collinsworth, National Quilt Museum CEO, served as Fantastic Fibers juror this year. Artists included in this year's exhibition are the following:

Itala Aguilera, Augusta Agustsson, Béatrice Beraud, Kim Berry-Rogers, Margaret Black, Sarah C. Blanchette, Gray Caskey, Michelle Chan, Emilie Chaumet, Shin-hee Chin, Debra Disman, Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry, Victoria Findlay Wolfe, Madison Hendry, Susan Hensel, Janet Jaffke, Toni Kersey, Jill Kerttula, Erin King, Nancy Kozikowski, Hattie Lee, Sung Ji Lee, Ryan Lewis, Viviana Lombrozo, Elaine Longtemps, Niraja Lorenz, Cynthia Martinez, Dorothy McGuinness, Tea Okropiridze, Louise Pappageorge, CLaire Renaut, Rhiannon Robinson, Karla Rydrych, Lauren L. Salazar, Rebecca Smith, Jim S. Smoote II, Karen Sunday Spencer, Vicki Sue Stone, Tiziana Tateo, Karin Täuber, Olivia Thompson, Angela Tong, Amy Usdin
Betty Vera, Sharon L. Vitt, Jessica Walton, Nikka Wolfenbarger, Yaleika, Evian Zukas-Oguz

Fantastic Fibers runs from April 19th through June 18th 2022. Regular gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10am-5pm. There will be a public opening reception on Friday, April 29th from 4pm-7pm at the gallery, 200 Broadway St, Paducah, KY. We will be open late, until 7pm, during QuiltWeek (April 26th-30th). There is free admission to the gallery and to the reception, with a suggested donation of \$5 for entry.

The Yeiser Art Center (YAC), a non-profit corporation with 501(c)(3) status, was established in 1957 as the Paducah Art Guild for the purpose of promoting the appreciation of the visual arts and for their creation. It started as a small volunteer organization with founding members Mary Yeiser, Ginny Black, and Bob Evans leading the way. Today, YAC has a permanent exhibition space that hosts seven shows annually and a permanent collection of over 300 works. The center offers visual art-based programming including educational classes for both children and adults, public gallery talks, and artist lectures. YAC also has a supporting membership program as well as many loyal volunteers. **Yeiser Art Center is celebrating its 65th anniversary in 2022!**