

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Dear fiber friends,

Are you proud of your fiber work and want to show it off? Do you have an interest in educating the public about the exciting avenues pursued by fiber artists?

We, of the **Blue Ridge Fiber Show** planning committee have just such goals and hope you will let us exhibit your best work. The Show includes both amateurs and professionals and there are categories for weaving, felting and spinning. The entries are not juried. All entries following the guidelines in the prospectus are exhibited; however, they will be judged to award the prizes.

The show is sponsored by the Western North Carolina Fiber/Handweavers Guild. In 2010, we held the show for the first time in a beautiful gallery in the Education Center of the North Carolina Arboretum. We had a very successful show, much admired by the general public. The Arboretum staff was enthusiastic about it, as well.

Several enhancements made the show very successful in 2010 and will be continued.

- We included more categories of fiber art with more prize money awarded.
- We coordinated many educational events. Fiber arts professionals taught several classes in the Arboretum's facilities during the time of the show.
- For the duration of the show, we also had demonstrations on a weekly basis. A loom from the 1800's was lovingly restored to function and we encouraged the public to weave on it. Many children were thrilled to be given the chance to use that huge piece of equipment!

Since many tourists visit the mountains in the fall, and the western NC audience is both wide and sophisticated in its appreciation of hand crafts, sales beat previous records. So there is that possibility for you, also, if you wish to offer your entry for sale.

Registrations and fees are due on or before August 10, 2012. (Don't wait until the last moment, please.)

Entries, themselves, are due on September 21, 2012.
The show runs from October 2, 2012 to January 2, 2013.

For all the details, please visit www.wncfhq.org and click on "**Blue Ridge Fiber Show**" to find copies of the prospectus and entry forms.

If you have questions, please email us at brfs2012@yahoo.com.

Hoping to hear from you,
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