

Spring Workshop

Two Layers are Better than One

Submitted by: WW Walker

The PPWG is pleased to have Betsy Blumenthal as the presenter for the March 2008 workshop, Two Layers are Better. The workshop will be a round robin exploring double-sided textiles which combine the bold patterning of warp-faced and weft faced weave structures. It is encouraged but not required that participants have an eight shaft loom.

The workshop will be held at Penrose House March 11 - 13 and is \$125 per person. There is a class size limit of 18 so please sign up as soon as possible. At this time there are eight slots open then we will place individuals on the wait list. There will be a \$60 deposit when you register for the workshop. Please contact WW Walker at corancher1999@yahoo.com or 719-440-2080 to sign up. At this time the workshop is only open to Pikes Peak Weaver Guild members.

Betsy is a textile artist who has been exploring the intersection of weaving and dyeing for over 30 years. She

holds an MFA in Textiles from Indiana University and co-authored Hands on Dyeing. Betsy was an Adjunct Professor in the School of Fine Arts at Indiana University and has taught at many workshops at conferences and elsewhere across the United States. She weaves wall pieces, unique wearable art pieces and textiles for the home.

She has received awards for her work including First Prize in the Tsunami Yardage Exhibit at Convergence 2002, Juror's Award in the Lines into Shapes 2005 show at the Art Center of Estes Park, Honorable Mention in Small Expression at Convergence 2004, and the award for Best Use of Color in Fiber Celebration 2003 in Estes Park. Betsy's work has participated in a number juried shows and invitational exhibits, and has been featured in several one-person shows at The Gallery in Bloomington, Indiana. She lives in Boulder, Colorado and is a full-time fiber-artist.



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