

### **Terms and conditions of the National Open Textile Exhibition 2017**

All work must contain an element of textiles. This can be any element of stitch, fabric, weave, yarn or textile. It can be either fine art or functional. The piece must have been produced during the 12 months before entry opened – between 15th January 2016 and 15th January 2017.

The work entered must be made by the artist entering the piece. There is no age restriction on artists. Professional and amateur artists/makers can enter. All work must be safe for public display which means safe to hang on the gallery wall or stable enough for plinth display. Work does not need to have mirror plates however it does need to have a hanging mechanism. If you are unsure of how to hang your work please contact the gallery *before* entering.

First stage entry is by email. Artists must complete the form and email it with two pictures of each piece one full view and one detail to [info@funkyavardvark.co.uk](mailto:info@funkyavardvark.co.uk). Payment is £10 per piece which can be made either online by Paypal, over the phone by card or at the gallery by card or cash. The number from your receipt will need to be put on your form.

Entrants will be notified by 15th April as to whether they have been successful. Notification of whether work has been selected will be sent via email. Artists must make sure they give a valid, operational email address to which they have regular access as National Open Textile Exhibition, its sponsors and the host gallery, Funky Aardvark C.I.C., cannot be held liable for non-receipt of email. If selected you will be asked to supply a short statement to accompany your piece in the exhibition. All work will be sold at the price stated on the delivery form with a 40% gallery commission + VAT included.

Assistance can be given with pricing *prior* to delivery. Work not for sale must be marked as NFS. Work must be delivered on the 5th, 6<sup>th</sup> or 7th May from 10am-5pm either the artist or representative or via courier clearly labelled with artist name, title of work and sale price on a tag that is attached to the back at the top and hangs over the front of the work AND on a label secured to the back of the work. Do not write the price directly on to the piece of work.

Unsold work must be collected by the artist or representative or courier – all collecting parties will require identification. Work must be collected within the specified time slots - 2nd July 4-6pm & 3rd July 10am-5pm. Notification of sales will be made by 29<sup>th</sup> June, however due to the possibility of last minute sales we recommend that you check with the gallery before making a long journey to collect that your work is still in the exhibition. If sending a courier please notify the gallery via email with the collection details and arrange collection for the Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

**ALL** work that is not collected, or courier arranged, by 5pm on 3rd July 2017 will be auctioned and the proceeds donated to Funky Aardvark C.I.C. for their community projects.

By submitting you agree that the National Open Textile Exhibition, its sponsors and the host gallery, Funky Aardvark C.I.C., may use images of the work entered for advertising/reporting purposes. National Open Textile Exhibition, its sponsors and the host gallery, Funky Aardvark C.I.C., will take every possible care of items submitted however no insurance is provided for entered items and this must be arranged by the Artist if they wish cover.

The prizes are:

The first place winner will receive  
From the ICHF

A gallery space at the Fashion & Embroidery show in 2018

From the Embroiderers' Guild

A travel bursary to be used by the winner for research, inspiration or time with a senior embroiderer  
- value £500

Access to the EG Collection, folios and library now housed in Halton, near Aylesbury

An article in Stitch or Embroidery magazine

Exhibition of selected pieces on the Guild's Stand at Knitting & Stitching - London or Harrogate

A feature on the Guild website with links to the winner

A feature on FaceBook immediately following the award of the prize

The second place winner will receive

From Funky Aardvark/Chester Art Textile Society

£250 cash to use on their textile work

From Black Mango

A creative business mentorship focused on distribution, marketing, PR & strategy with Shirly-Ann O'Neil MA.

From Madeira Threads

A mini treasure chest of threads worth £99 RSP

Special Rowan Award (entrants using yarn in particular and/or using knit or crochet)

Rowan yarn of the winner's choice up to the value of £250.00 RRP

The prizes are not negotiable and have no tradeable value.

The judges decision is final and no discussion will be entered into after the event.

### **National Textile Open Exhibition Calendar 2017**

Entries open January 15th

Entries close March 25th

Applicants will be notified by April 15th if they have been successful

Delivery days are:

5th, 6th, 7th May from 10am-5pm

(courier welcome)

Artist Day 20th May 10am-5pm

Prize Giving 1st July 1pm

Collection days:

2nd July 4-6pm

3rd July 10am-5pm

4<sup>th</sup> July 9am – 6pm courier collection day

Gallery Address

61 Bridge Street Rows East, Chester, CH1 1NW. 01244 630202. [www.funkyaardvark.co.uk](http://www.funkyaardvark.co.uk)



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