

#### **MAVWA Wool Festival 2023**

# Garment & Home Accessories Show Description Sunday, October 8th

Santa Fe Fairgrounds, New Mexico

### ARTISTS - COME AND CELEBRATE THE 2023 MAVWA WOOL FESTIVAL



**PLEASE NOTE:** THE GARMENT & HOME ACCESSORIES SHOW WILL BE HELD ON **SUNDAY** THIS YEAR

We offer this unique opportunity for fiber artists to join us in supporting our regional fiber producers by creating original designs for our 2023 Garment and Home Accessories Show. All entries should promote, emphasize, and be "about" animal fiber.

In honor of the mission of the Mountain and Valley Wool Association, which produces the MAVWA Wool Festival, the Lorraine Mooney Memorial award and a Silver Medallion may be awarded to the 'Best in Show' out of all categories where animal fiber in the entry has been raised in Colorado/New Mexico/Texas. The judges may award the overall to one of the Silver Medallion winners.

Finished fiber goods may contain silk, plant fibers, synthetic fibers, and other materials in a **supporting** role. Examples are cotton warp and synthetic stuffing covered by wool fabrics.

NOTE: US supporting fiber ranks higher than non-US fiber. Entries may not be from a kit.

All entries must have been completed between Nov. 2022 and Oct 1, 2023. Artists are limited to one entry per category. Artists may enter multiple items, but they must be in different categories.

#### **Times**

- Entries will be accepted for the Garment & Home Accessories (GHA) Show in the **Information Booth** on **Saturday Oct. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.,** and in the **GHA Show Area on Sunday 8 to 8:50 a.m.** IT'S **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**THAT YOU PUT EACH ENTRY IN A BAG OR CONTAINER WITH THE ENTRY FORM ATTACHED WHEN SUBMITTING.
  - a. Prior to submitting your item(s), you **must** visit the Information Booth, pay for your entry/entries, and receive a payment ticket for the GHA Show. The Information Booth will open at **7:45 a.m**. on Saturday.
  - b. Bring your payment ticket(s) and your completed 2023 GHA Entry Form(s), along with the item(s) to the GHA Show Area by 8:50 a.m. on Sunday. Late entries will not be accepted.
- At 9:00 a.m. sharp on Sunday the Show Tent will be closed to prepare for Judging.
- From 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. on Sunday the GHA Show Area will be opened for participants and the public to view the items in the show, along with the Judges' awards and comments.
- Between 3:00 and 3:30 p.m. on Sunday all entries must be picked up and checked out by the artist or documented assignee. Unclaimed items will be donated to the MAVWA Silent Auction for the following year.
- Any special Awards will be presented at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, so please check your entry to determine if you are one of the special winners.
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons will be displayed with the item and be picked up by the winner along with their entry.



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b. Lorraine Mooney Memorial and Silver Medallion award will have a certificate attached to the winning entry. In order to receive the special award, the winner is asked to meet in front of the GHA Show Area at 1:00 p.m. for presentation and pictures. Please bring the winning entry along.

#### **Fees**

- MAVWA members and 2023 TWF Vendors (including their family members) are allowed up to 3 entries total for no fee across all the MAVWA Wool Festival shows and competitions.
- Non-Members: \$10 per entry/item per show

#### **Judging Criteria**

Judging is based on:

- Quality of construction,
- Skill (weaving, knitting/crocheting or felting),
- Creativity in design and fiber/material selection.

The Judges may, at their discretion, combine or split Categories where there are too many or too few entries.

The Judges reserve the right to not make award(s) if they deem the entried don't merit it.

The Judges' decisions are final.

### **Judging Categories**

- 1. Felted
- 2. Knit / Crochet
- 3. Hand Woven

#### **Awards**

- 1. 1<sup>St</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons awarded in each category:
  - a. Felted item.
  - b. Knit/Crochet item.
  - c. Hand Woven item.
- II. The Lorraine Mooney Award commemorates the best item in the show that is made entirely of Colorado / New Mexico / Texas raised animal fiber. A Silver Medallion will also be awarded with the Lorraine Mooney Memorial Award.

BY SUBMITTING ONE OR MORE ENTRIES TO THE GHA SHOW, MAVWA CONSIDERS YOU TO BE AGREEING TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT AND IN THE GHA ENTRY FORM. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE, YOU CANNOT ENTER THE SHOW.

Questions? Email: info@MAVWAwoolfestival.org and put 'GHA' in the subject line.

Thank you – we look forward to receiving your entry!