

FALL 2017

The Kentucky Weaver from

The **LITTLE
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Tapestry Call for Entries

The Little Loomhouse would like you to share your handwoven tapestries with us for an upcoming Tapestry Love Exhibition. From beginners to Fine Artists, children to adults, we want to see your work! One Loomhouse Gift Basket full of supplies will be awarded to the People's Choice Best of Show!

Want to participate but don't have a loom?

Stop by the Little Loomhouse Esta Cabin, during open hours, between now and Jan 6th, 2018 to pick up a pre-warped box loom to rent for \$20. Weave your tapestry and bring it back to us on the loom by Jan 20th, 2018. We will take it off and have it ready to mount for the show.

How to enter?

Bring your tapestry, ready to hang, or in the rented box loom, to the Little Loomhouse Esta Cabin between Jan 3rd and Jan 20th during our open hours, with your name, title of the piece, medium, retail price if for sale, and contact information attached to the back. If your tapestry is for sale you will need to sign a consignment agreement.

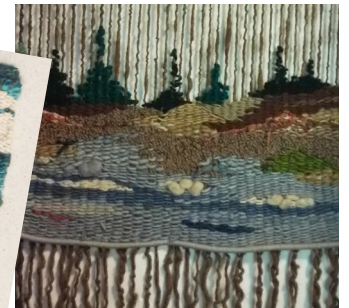
Key Dates:

Loom rental: now till Jan 6th, 2018,
4pm closing

Tapestry drop off: Jan 3rd-Jan 20th, 2018,
4pm closing

Exhibition date: Feb 2nd-Feb 28th, 2018
in The Lou Tate Gallery

Artists' Reception: Feb 10th, 2018,
1pm-4pm in The Lou Tate Gallery



News from the Board

Dear Friends,
Fall brings change, and The Little Loomhouse is no exception. This month during our annual meeting, we will vote in new and returning board members, say goodbye to those leaving, and change board officers. This is the last time I'll have the chance to address you as president of the board. It has been my honor and privilege to serve you. I know that incoming president Melissa Amos-Jones will serve you well.

Warmest Wishes,
Sara Reyna-Byler
President, Board of Directors

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Join us for our
Annual Open
Board of
Directors
Meeting and
Chili Potluck

**Sunday,
October 22,
2017
2 to 4pm**

In Esta Cabin at
The Little
Loomhouse

LEARN

2017 Winter Camps

Ages 6 and over, Families Welcome!

Wednesday, Nov 22, 10am-noon (session 1), or 1pm-3pm (session 2)

Friday, Nov 24, 10am-noon (session 1), or 1pm-3pm (session 2)

We will be offering 2 sessions on Wednesday and Friday. Students are welcome to join us for one or both!

**Students that register for both sessions will have the option of making 2 separate projects or using both sessions to make one larger project. If students register for both session, please bring a sack lunch.*

The cost is \$25 per session, all supplies included. Projects include bags, purses, three mice in a bag, cats on mats, pillows, scarves, bean bags, and more.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, Dec 20th-22nd, 10 am-noon (session 1), or 1-3pm (session 2)

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, Dec 27th-29th, 10 am-noon (session 1), or 1-3pm (session 2)

We will be offering 2 sessions on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Students are welcome to join us for one or both! Students are also welcome to sign up for the week.

**Students that register for both sessions will have the option of making 2 separate projects or using both sessions to make one larger project. If students register for both session, please bring a sack lunch.*

The cost is \$25 per session, all supplies included. Projects include bags, purses, three mice in a bag, cats on mats, pillows, scarves, bean bags, and more.

Please call to reserve your spot (502)-367-4792 or visit our website to register or for more information: littleloomhouse.org

CREATE

October Featured Artist Orville Moss

Artist Orville Moss will be showing and talking about his work on Saturday, Oct 14th from 2pm-5pm. Orville P. Moss is a classically trained sculptor, who graduated and taught at both the Louisville School of Art and the Layton School of Art and Design in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He has had numerous exhibitions in the Louisville area. Most notable collections of his work include the Speed Art Museum, Louisville, KY and Cramer-Krasselt Advertising, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The Artist Reception will be Saturday, October 14th from 2pm-5pm. This event is free and open to the public, with light refreshments served. Exhibition continues until October 28th. Gallery hours: W-F 10am-2pm & Sat 11am-4pm.

"The truly creative substance in the work of art is the artist's identity. The identity does not yield." -David Smith, Sculptor.

I begin my personal statement with a quote from the most influential source of my own journey into sculpture. Thinking about form is the source of the sculpture then, in the search for the materials, other forms emerge.

Orville Moss



Wood sculptures by
Orville Moss on display in
the Lou Tate Gallery at
The Little Loomhouse

How do your donations help The Little Loomhouse?

\$35

Covers the cost of supplies for community events and classes

\$100

Helps put an artist in a school or community center

\$250

Pays for our participation in a community event

\$1000

Helps pay an artist residency in a school/community center for 1 semester

EXPERIENCE

LLH and the Mayor's Summer Works Program 2017

For the first time, The Little Loomhouse partnered with the Mayor's Summer Works Program as a Champion Employer. We hired three youth interns as Camp Counselors/Loomhouse interns to aid in the summer camps, Cultural Pass Program and daily operations. Here is what the interns had to say about their experiences:

**Rebecca Hager, Mayor's Summer Works Intern,
Age 20, Campbellsville University**

For the past seven weeks, I, along with two other Mayor Summer Works employees, have been interning at the Little Loomhouse. The Summer Works Program was careful to place us with job openings that best fit our interests and career paths. Because I am a fiber artist myself and I am studying elementary education, the job had multiple opportunities for me to acquire skills that I can carry with me beyond my summer at the Loomhouse. The program has been an amazing experience for the three of us and I am so thankful to have been given the opportunity to work, learn, and grow in one of the historic locations in Louisville.

The main skill that I feel all three of us have grown in is communicating with people. The Loomhouse attracts a variety of people of all ages and cultures who are eager to learn and of course weave pieces of their own. I enjoyed the chance to work with children through day camps and Cultural Pass and to teach them to become fiber artists who are proud of their work.

Along with social experience, the Loomhouse surrounds its employees with fascinating history. Each day at the Loomhouse was a mini history lesson, from getting to know Lou Tate by listening to the accounts of one of her former students, to cleaning out a closet and finding forgotten treasures.

Of course, a job at the Loomhouse would not be complete if we did not walk away with fiber work skills. Weaving, sewing, and loom preparation were daily tasks that added variety to our abilities and gave us a new perspective on the care and effort of producing materials.

When I came to the Little Loomhouse, I knew I would be weaving fabrics, but I had no idea that I would be weaving something beyond the fibers.

My passion for fiber art grew, I built relationships with amazing people, and I learned things about my community that I did not know prior to my employment. My summer job wove fibers of my life that will always be a part of the person I am becoming. This has been the best summer job experience for me yet, and I look forward to returning to the Little Loomhouse next year.

**Hannah Purdy,
Mayor's Summer Works Intern,
age 17, Male High School**

This summer at The Little Loomhouse was wonderful. I learned so many new things that have to do with both fiber arts and working with other people and how to help improve a business. I worked a lot with the public and children by telling them more about the Loomhouse and teaching them how to weave and about the history of the Loomhouse. A couple of examples of what I learned to make are coil baskets and weaving a log cabin pattern weaving. Overall my experience here was great!

**Thomas Rector,
Mayor's Summer Works Intern,
age 16, Iroquois High School**

While working at the Little Loomhouse I have met and talked to many interesting people who volunteer and help out the organization. These people helped me out on improving my social skills with customers and taking responsibility for my mistakes. During the summer that I've worked here I have learned how to weave certain patterns on the loom, how to warp a loom, how to hand sew and I got to put my plumbing skills to work at one point in the program. The Little Loomhouse is great place to learn, teach and work and I'm excited to return to work here during the school year.

Thanks for making Give for Good Louisville 2017 a big success!

Give For Good Louisville is an online giving day hosted by the Community Foundation of Louisville and created to support the nonprofits doing great work in our community. The 2017 campaign was held on September 14 and was our community's biggest day of local giving. The donations made that day support not only the individual organizations and their unique missions, but help create a stronger community where people and place thrive.

The Little Loomhouse would like to thank everyone who contributed to our organization, but also to any of the over 500 participating local nonprofits that took part in this extraordinary day of community generosity.

State Fair Winners Debbie Striegel (left), Kathy McWilliam (center) and Mr. Duncan's class (right)

EXPERIENCE

Loomhouse Students and Volunteers Win at the Kentucky State Fair

The Loomhouse is very proud of our former students; several have gone on to become our long-time volunteers. We'd like to recognize a few for their wins at the Kentucky State Fair.

Kathy McWilliams, former student and current Volunteer Weaver for the Gift Shop has won the following prizes: Best of Show in Weaving; 1st place in the Lou Tate Memorial Prize; 1st place in Hand Woven Shawl; 1st place in Hand Woven Placemats; 1st place in Hand Woven Table Runner; 2nd place in Hand Woven Kitchen Towels; 2nd place in Hand Woven Purse; 3rd place in Hand Woven Rug; and 3rd place in Any Hand Woven Article.

Debbie Striegel, former student and current Volunteer Weaver for the Gift Shop has won the Sweepstakes in Weaving; 2nd place in Hand Woven Shawl; 1st place Hand Woven Garment; 2nd place in Hand Woven Placemats; 1st place in Hand Woven Purse; 4th place in Hand Woven Rug; and 2nd place in Any Hand Woven.

Sylvia Kinsfather, former student, current volunteer, and Board Member has won 3rd place in Hand Woven Garment; 4th place in Hand Woven Placemats; and 2nd place in Hand Woven Table Runner.

Violet Stines, elementary school summer camper, 2nd place in Any Hand Woven Article Junior Department.

And our own Director of Programming and Education, Michelle Amos, worked with Mr. Duncan's Special Education class at Wilkerson Elementary for a VSA of Kentucky Grant on a weaving project that included Arts & Crafts, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Mathematics. Each of the students received 3rd place ribbons for their entry of their pieces in the Special Entry Variety Fine Art Or Craft Junior Department at The Kentucky State Fair.



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schedules, visit littleloomhouse.org
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The Little Loomhouse 2018 Membership & Donations

Member Name _____

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Membership Level

- ☐ Individual \$35 ☐ Sponsor \$250 (family membership plus \$200 donation)
☐ Family \$50 ☐ Patron \$500 (family membership plus \$450 donation)
☐ Business \$100 ☐ Founder \$1,000 (family membership plus \$950 donation)

☐ Check here to receive a printed copy of The Little Loomhouse/Kentucky Weaver newsletter.
Otherwise, we'll email you an interactive copy.

- ☐ I would like to make an additional donation in the amount of \$ _____
☐ I do not wish to be a member. Enclosed is my donation in the amount of \$ _____

If you prefer to pay by credit card, please call us and we'll arrange for a secure transaction.

P R E S E R V E

Restoration and Preservation Update:

Greetings from the Restoration and Preservation Committee.

It has been a busy summer at The Little Loomhouse. Thanks to the Mayor's Summer Works Program and donations to the restoration fund we could put a fresh coat of paint on all the handrails and the board walk leading into Esta Cabin. Once the rails were painted we installed the first group of memorial plaques on the rails for everyone to admire. To date we have installed about ten memorial plaques and have room for many more. We will continue to take orders for more plaques through 2018. The price is \$150 Esta Level, \$300 Wisteria Level and \$500 Top House Level. Please contact the Loomhouse during open hours for order forms. Our next project will be to address some much-needed driveway and parking updates this fall. We continue to accept donations for continued restoration and preservation projects.



Board President Sara Reyna-Bylar and Board Secretary Leslie Clements accept a commemorative plaque from Colonel Barbara Dutschke of the Kentucky Colonels

Thanks,
Melissa Amos-Jones
Restoration and Preservation Chair

Thank you to the Kentucky Colonels!

Many thanks to the Honorable Order of the Kentucky Colonels for their generosity! They are donating \$1.5 M to nonprofits across our state, including to The Little Loomhouse. We appreciate all the good works the Colonels facilitate in Kentucky! The Little Loomhouse will put the money towards updates to our driveway leading to our parking. Construction will start in October 2017 and work will be done by Phil Bevins Landscape Architect.

Hours:

Wed-Fri 10:00-2:00
Sat 11:00-4:00

Please Note:

Because we are operated by a volunteer staff, we ask that you contact us in advance to ensure that someone is here to greet you.

Visit Our Gift Shop in the Lou Tate Gallery

Did you know that LLH has a wonderful gift shop on the campus grounds that is open during regular business hours and for special events? We have fiber-related items ranging from hand-made wearables, scarves, throws, towels and weaving supplies to hand-made jewelry, ceramics, assemblages and paintings.

Most artwork displayed during the Gallery shows is also for sale. Join us for a unique shopping experience and support the "Buy Local" movement!





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The LITTLE LOOMHOUSE

Holiday in the Woods

Saturday, November 4, 2017, 6-9 pm Local Art, Music, Food, Merriment

Join us for our 5th Annual Holiday in the Woods, an evening of art, music, food, and merriment at The Little Loomhouse! Local artists will display and sell their work, where you're sure to find that perfect holiday gift. Tour The Little Loomhouse, and shop for beautiful local art and handmade gifts in the gift shop. Parking will be available at DeSales High School, with shuttle service to The Little Loomhouse. ***This event is free and open to the public.***