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*"We are surrounded by
fabric every day, but how
often do we think about
where it comes from or how
it's made? I love teaching
this process and showing
how to use it to make art"*

Michelle K. Amos

IN THE GALLERY NOW!

Young Visionaries Introducing Ruth Goodhart of Goodhartbadart



As a part of the annual Young Visionaries Series, The Little Loomhouse presents a one-woman show featuring Ruth Goodhart of Goodhartbadart.

In 2019, Goodhart received a full award to study at the Kentucky College of Art and Design. She was welcomed into a Loomhouse learning position in the fall of 2019 as a Top House Studio Intern. This exhibition will showcase her work with Nature Dioramas. The exhibition runs January 18 – February 15th, with an Artist Reception on Saturday, Jan 18th, from 2 pm – 4 pm, free and open to the public, light refreshments served.

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Our Director of Programming and Education, Michelle Amos has been chosen as the Collider Artist-in-Residence for the month of January!



This event is at the South Central Regional Louisville Free Public Library, 7300 Jefferson Boulevard. The Collider artist-in-residence program, connects the public with art and artists. Special studio space within the Library allows artists to create on-site. Patrons are encouraged to drop in, interact, and learn about different artistic processes. Amos' Residency hours for drop-in are Tues-Thur 3:30-8:30 pm and Fri 3:30-5pm until Jan 31st. As a part of her Residency Amos will be offering a Tapestry Weaving Workshop for ages 7 and up, free and open to the public. This workshop is designed for children to adults, individuals and whole families. Space is limited, you can pre-register by emailing liz.magee@lfpl.org or call 502-964-3515.

Generous funding from Councilwoman Madonna Flood makes the COLLIDER Artist-In-Residence program possible.



LEARN



Volunteers don't necessarily have the time; they just have the HEART!

Thank you to all the volunteers that have shown love to the Little Loomhouse throughout our 80-year history. Now let us show YOU a little love! All past, present, and future Little Loomhouse volunteers are invited to our appreciation celebration and open house on Saturday, February 15 from 2pm-4 PM at the Little Loomhouse. Refreshments, Fun and Games provided.

Memorial Gifts

Melissa Hall made a Holiday Memorial gift in memory of her mother Norma Hall.

If you are interested in making a memorial gift or purchasing a Stair Rail Memorial Plaque for a loved one please contact Michelle Amos at the Little Loomhouse 367-4792 or email thelittleloomhouse@gmail.com

Letter from the President

Dear Members,

This is my first address as your new President of the Board and I would like to thank Melissa Amos-Jones for leaving things in such good order. We had an incredible year last year and are poised for great success in 2020 - with help from all of you! It's very exciting to be part of an organization that honors Local Women's History by recognizing our founder Lou Tate, as the Trailblazer and Visionary that she was. Please check out our events at littleloomhouse.org for upcoming events featuring artists - past and present - who have contributed so much to the success of the Little Loomhouse. We are particularly excited about our Portrait Series that celebrates 2020 - the Year of the Woman.

I would also like to thank our outgoing Board Members for their exemplary service to the Lou Tate Foundation, and welcome our new Board Members, Nicole Bigg, Steve Chalson, Clanisha Coleman, Jess Meyer, and Vicki Welsh. We are very excited about the talents and skills they bring to our board.

This year we celebrate the 150th anniversary of Esta Cabin. What an exciting time to join me and the rest of the board in making a contribution to the Preservation and Restoration Fund. I am passionate about the significance of this valuable resource in our community and you are an important part of that work. Your contribution ensures this community jewel remains open for generations to come. Please join me today in making your contribution online or call our office to set up a memorial gift or purchase a memorial stairwell plaque. Thank you for your consideration and continued support.

Lastly, I would like to invite all of you to join us on Saturday, February 15th from 2 to 4 for our Volunteer Appreciation Day. We'll honor past, current and future volunteers and have fun in the process.

Thank you, I am honored and excited to be leading this wonderful organization!

Karen Abney

President, Board of Directors of the Lou Tate Foundation

CELEBRATE WITH US!

"Portraits" is a year-long Little Loomhouse Series Celebrating the Year of The Woman



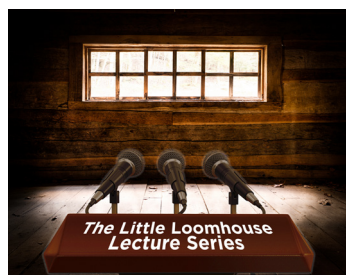
2020 is a special year as we join in with the rest of America to celebrate women. Specifically, those who have had a positive influence on The Little Loomhouse, The Lou Tate Foundation, and Weaving in the Woods over the years.

Please keep an eye on your favorite social media platform (Facebook and/or Instagram) for the 52, once-a-week postings featuring people you may know, those you know of and some surprises, as we honor many great women that have made and continue to make us great.

In case you missed them, here are the first four - be sure to check social media for their brief biographies and Little Loomhouse connection.

EXPERIENCE

Women of the Ohio Valley Weavers



The Little Loomhouse Lecture Series: Women Significant in creation of the Lou Tate Foundation

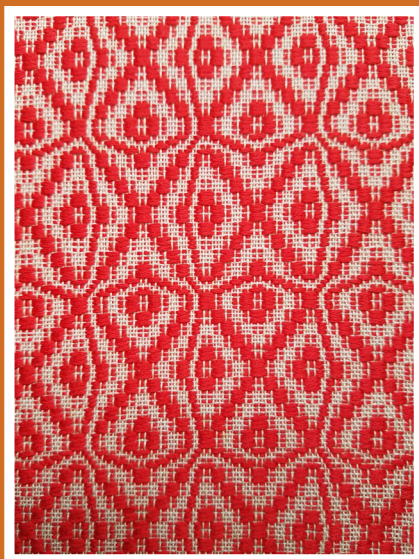
Little Loomhouse founder Lou Tate died on June 2, 1979 and seven weeks later on July 24, two women Sue Kendrick and Vivian Hyatt drove out to the one-acre property and began scrubbing and cleaning. They took home, washed and pressed weavings, returned the next day and sold them for seed money. They continued the process the next day and so on until Colonel Sanders' Birthday Party... and so the story begins of the humble beginnings of The Lou Tate Foundation, which turns 40 years old this year. In conjunction with the **Women of the Ohio Valley Weavers Exhibition**, we will be offering a panel lecture-discussion on March 21st from 2 pm - 4 pm about the women instrumental in the creation of the Lou Tate Foundation, several of whom are featured in the Ohio Valley Weavers Exhibit. Join Historian and Author, Stefanie Rae Buzan, former Lou Tate student, Sally Moss, and Loomhouse Director of Programming and Education, Michelle Amos to learn more about these amazing women and their efforts to create the Lou Tate Foundation now 40 years old. Lecture is \$5 members/\$10 non-members, Reception with light refreshments will be served in the gallery immediately after the lecture.

In The Lou Tate Gallery

The Little Loomhouse presents:
Women of the Ohio Valley Weavers Guild,
February 22 - April 11, 2020
Gallery Hours are Tues - Fri
10am-3pm and Sat 11am-4pm.

Opening Reception held in conjunction with the kick-off of Women's History Month
Saturday, March 7th from 2-4pm

Free and open to the public.
Light Refreshments will be served.



Turntable by Doris Tipton



Super Highway by Edna Braun

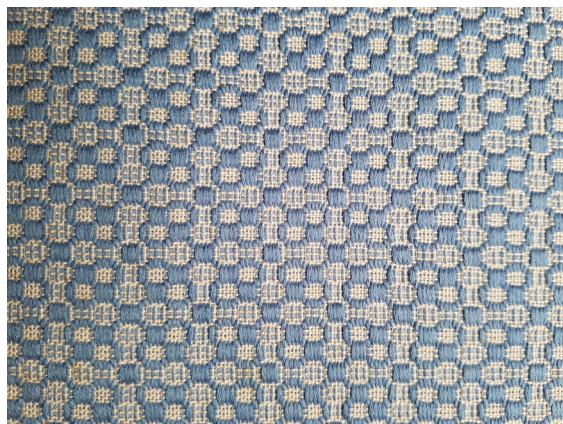
The Hobby Weavers of the Ohio Valley Guild, active for over 30 years, was started in 1956 by students of Lou Tate. That same year many of The Hobby Weavers went on to become charter members of The Louisville Craftsman Guild (now called Louisville Artisan Guild) along with Mary Alice Hadley (M. A. Hadley Pottery) and former Director and teacher at the Louisville School of Art, Dan Peterson.

Members Vivian Hyatt, Doris Tipton, and Rose Perot taught at Nazareth College (now Spalding University) under Lou Tate and were significant in the formation of the Lou Tate Foundation and beginnings of the Little Loomhouse after Lou Tate's death.

Gifted to the Foundation from the estate of Rose Pero, Lou Tate's long-term friend, co-teacher and secretary to The Hobby Weavers Guild, these pieces had only been shown to the members since their creation in 1958.



Jitterbug by Anna M. Thatcher



Promrose by Mary Stotsenburg

... and many more on exhibit!



Education and Programming Update

From 2018 to 2019 we have seen a 56% increase in the total number of people served, with 155% increase in participation in our off-site programs. We welcomed the Fund for the Arts as an organizational partner this year and were happy to receive continued program support from The Norton Foundation, The Purple Education Fund, and Imagine 2020. These partners along with member support has helped us provide educational programs throughout the county and across the region this year including ten Jefferson County Public Schools, eight private schools, three Louisville Free Public Library branches, and two community centers. In addition, we provided individually designed programs for Berrytown Metro Parks Senior Group, Belmont Assisted Living, Girls Scouts Festival of the Arts, and the Kentucky Opera staff retreat.

For 2020, we will be offering more Saturday workshops and classes throughout the year, a special tween/teen summer camp, and more summer drop-in weaving options. This will be a great year to become a member and receive discounts on all these programs.

Upcoming Classes

Please call 502-367-4792 or email thelittleloomhouse@gmail.com to register. Space is limited so register soon.

Weave Plaid for Beginners

Back by popular demand!

Saturday, Jan 25th, from 1-3 pm, ages 12 and up, \$25 all supplies included. Learn to weave plaid based on historic tartan patterns. The patterns include the Black Watch, Rob Roy Macgregor, Royal Stewart, Napier, Malcolm, and McLeod patterns. Beginner weavers are welcome. No experience needed. Participants can expect to create a small table runner.



Needlefelt Picture for Beginners

Come enjoy a fun-filled relaxing afternoon at the Little Loomhouse, while creating a beautiful felted Landscape piece to take home. The cost is \$25, and all materials will be provided for you at this beginner level class. Feel free to bring a snack or drink to class. Space is limited so call 502-367-4792 to reserve your spot. Saturday, February 8, 1-3 pm.



Introduction to Weaving

Interested in learning to weave? This beginner's class is perfect for you. Work with a knowledgeable and patient instructor. The cost is \$25 a person for the 1.5-hour class, all supplies are included. Participants can expect to create a small table runner or wall hanging. Saturdays, Feb 1 or March 14 from 12:30-2pm, ages 12 and up.



Introduction to Spinning

Learn how to turn fiber into yarn on a drop spindle and begin to spin your own yarn. The one and half hour class is \$25.00 and includes supplies. Saturdays, Feb 1 or March 14 from 2:30pm-4pm, ages 12 and up.



Drop-In Weaving

Drop-In Weaving is designed for the whole family or the individual child or adult, age 6 years and up. Participants create hand woven pieces to take home. Projects include purses, bags, cats on mats, mice in a bag and more. Drop-In Weaving cost \$25 per two-hour session or \$50 if you sign up for the whole day and bring a lunch. If a class that fits your schedule is not listed, please give us a call to set something up. Friday, Feb 14, 10-noon/1-3; March 17-20, 10-noon/1-3; March 24-27, 10-noon/1-3pm; March 31-April 3 10-noon/1-3.



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L I F E R E C E P T I O N

In Memory and Celebration of Ethel Schwartz



In our last Newsletter we featured an article on our beloved former Board Member and 30+ year volunteer, Ethel Schwartz, who had celebrated her 105th birthday. It is with sadness we report Ethel Lea Schwartz passed away on November 16, 2019. We held a Celebration of Life Reception for her on Saturday, December 7th. **She will be missed.**

The Loomhouse would like to recognize the following people for memorial gifts in her honor.

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