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Fabric artist exhibit at West Hartford Art League

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Kate Themel, an award-winning fabric artist and teacher living in Cheshire, will have an exhibit of her work opening Feb. 7 in the West Hartford Art Leagues Saltbox Gallery.

Over the years, Kate has developed a distinct, painterly style in her compositions but remains linked to the quilting world by her use of simple, traditional materials: cotton fabrics, batting and thread.

Kate Themel has created custom fiber art for individuals and corporate clients and her unique fiber pieces have been exhibited in art galleries and museums from Boston to Botswana. Her work has been juried into international fiber art exhibitions such as Quilt National, Art Quilt Elements and the Kagoshima Quilt Show in Japan.

Kate recently earned the Young Emerging Artist Award and the People's Choice Award for her work in Quilt National '11.

The opening reception will take place from 6-8 p.m. and is open to the public. The exhibit runs in conjunction with the Out Of the Loop, a juried fiber exhibit juried by Themel, which will also open February 7th in the Art Leagues Clubhouse Gallery. Both exhibits are open through Sunday, March 3rd.

The West Hartford Art League is located at 37 Buena Vista Road in West Hartford. Gallery hours are Thursday - Sunday from 1-4 p.m. or by apt. with the Executive Director. www.westhartfordart.org (860) 231-8019.



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