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WELCOME TO FROM OUR READERS

What's New?

t was a bittersweet moment watching all the beautiful rugs pouring in for **Celebration 27**. On the one hand, we were overjoyed to know we'd be publishing a strong, exciting edition in 2017, but on the other hand, we were saddened that the limitations of print would prevent us from showing off many of the wonderful works that were submitted. We wanted another way, a way to keep the storied traditions of **Celebration** alive while acknowledging even more of the artistry from the rug hooking community.

That's when we came up with the idea to create a supplemental eBook.

Finally, here was an opportunity to showcase another gallery of rugs, another opportunity for fellow rug hookers to get inspired and share their love of the craft. And selfishly, this was my chance to spend even more time admiring everyone's artistic talents.

This is my first year joining the rug hooking community, and I've been so touched by the kindness, support, and enormous talent of its members. I feel like a spectator at a museum, eager to turn down the next corridor to see what incredible new piece of art is waiting for me. I hope you'll enjoy wandering the halls with me, pausing along the way to appreciate the dedication and originality of each piece.

The work of the rug hooking community shouldn't be limited to the space between two covers. And with the start of our new eBook series, From Our Readers: 33 Celebration Rugs You Didn't Get to See, the opportunities are boundless.



Jessica Thelander Celebration Editor

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Whitney and Friends, 14½" x 20½", #3-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool on monk's cloth. Adapted from a photograph by William Hagan and hooked by Dorothy Hagan, Vancouver, Washington, 2015. WILLIAM HAGAN



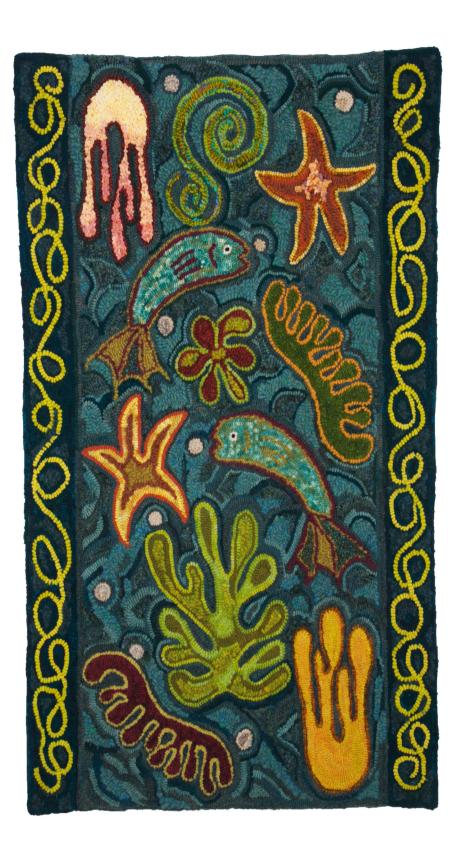
Joan Moshimer's Stained Glass Square, 36" x 36", #4- to 6-cut wool worms on linen. Designed by Joan Moshimer and hooked by Carol Snyder, Hamptonville, North Carolina, 2016.



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Leo the Lion, 43" x 35", #8-cut hand-dyed wool and rug yarn on linen. Designed and hooked by Mariah Krauss, Montpelier, Vermont, 2016. Anne-Marie Littenberg



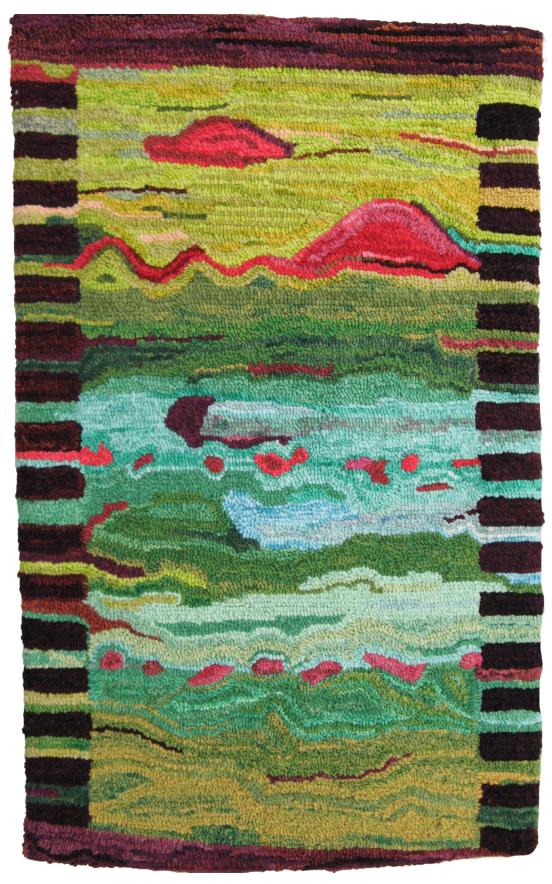
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Karen, 60" x 60", #6- to 8-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool on rug warp. Designed by Lois Lunt (Fraser Company) and hooked by Anne M. Penkal, Harleysville, Pennsylvania, 2016.



Watercolor, 24¼" x 36½", #6 dyed and as-is wool on monk's cloth. Designed and hooked by Wendy West, Sanibel, Florida, 2015. Hollis Jeffcoat



King Herod and the Twisted Scroll, 17" x 17", #3- to 6-cut overdyed and as-is wool on monk's cloth. Designed by Jane McGown Flynn and hooked by Juliana Kapusta, Telford, Pennsylvania, 2016.



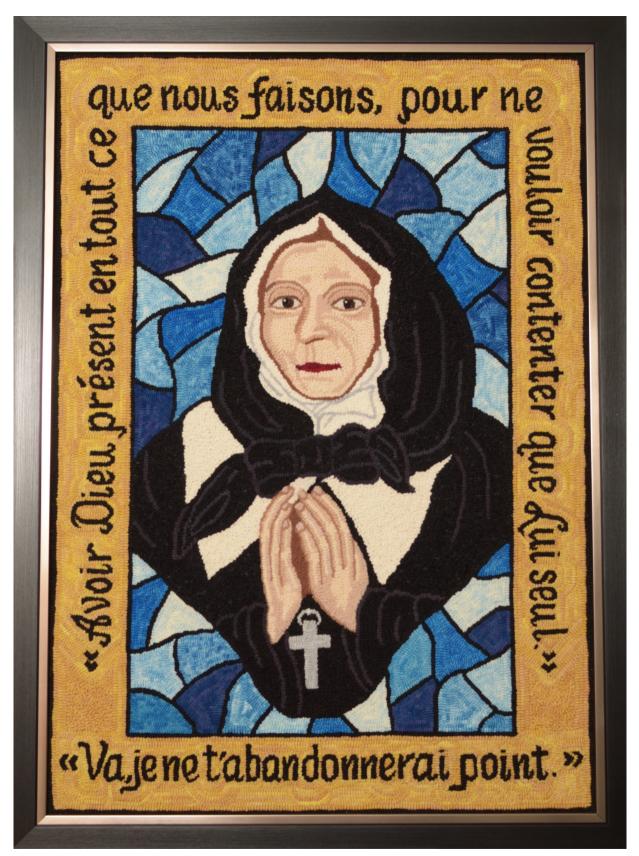
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Baghdad, 82" x 50", #3-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool on burlap. Designer unknown and hooked by Lee Williams, Stigler, Oklahoma, 2016. LINUS G. WILLIAMS, JR.



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Gardening, 21¾" x 37", #4- to 8-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool on linen. Designed by Beverly Conway and hooked by Brenda Scott, Ocean Township, New Jersey, 2016.



KOSHUYA~Draw Memories with my Parent's Clothes, 32" x 23", #6-cut used wool clothes and dyed & commercial wool on linen. Designed and hooked by Yoshiho Nara, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan, 2016. Jun Konta



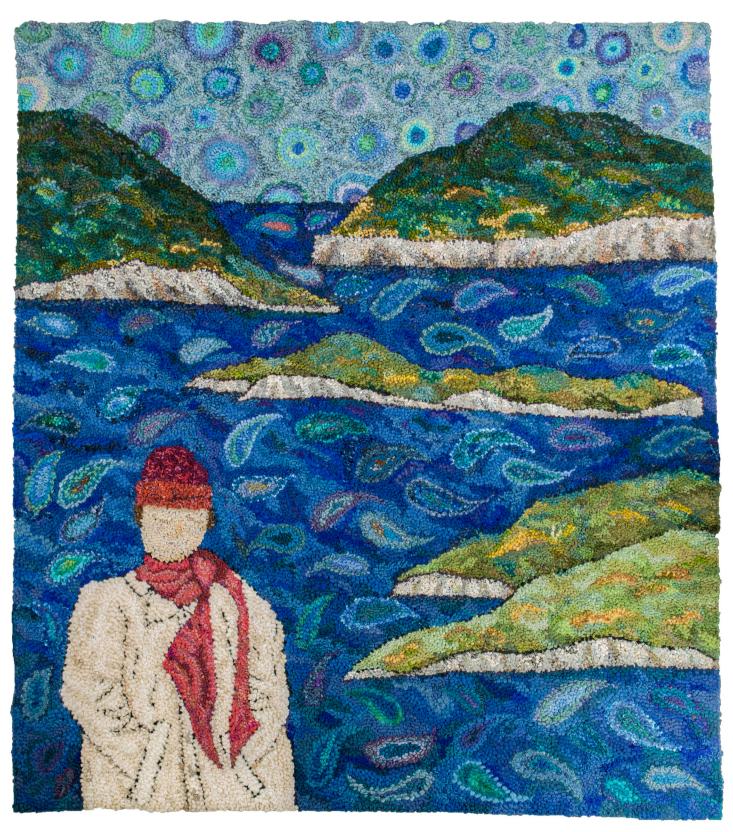
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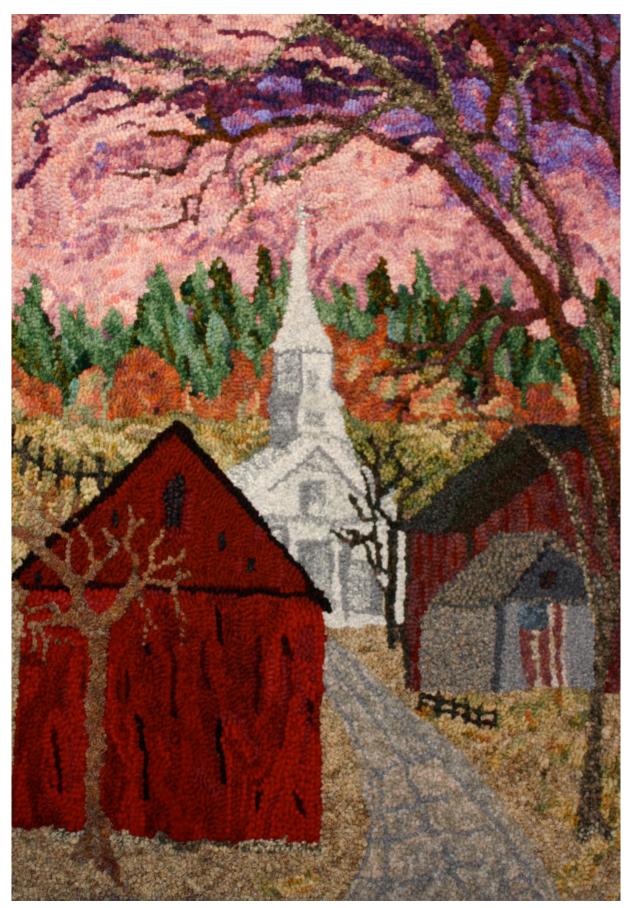
Ceci and Shaka — A "Selfie", 18" x 12", #3- & #4-cut wool on linen. Designed and hooked by Sarah Province, Silver Spring, Maryland, 2016. LLOYD ATOR



Days on the Water, 26" x 17", #4- to 6-cut all-recycled clothes with at least 80% wool on burlap. Designed and hooked by Janet Fralick, Tantallon, Nova Scotia, Canada, 2015.



Oceans of Tears, 50" x 58", #4- to #8-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool, wool-blend yarn, wool roving, sari silk, silk fabric, and embellished yarn on linen. Designed by Deanne Fitzpatrick and hooked by Cheryl Orcutt, Peterborough, New Hampshire, 2016. Anne-Marie Littenberg



Old Man Winter, 16" x 22", #3- & #4-cut wool on linen. Designed and hooked by Lisanne Miller, Wells, Maine, 2016.



Basket of Tulips, 24" x 30", #3- to 8-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool on linen. Designed by Fluff & Peachy Designs #212 and hooked by Joyce M. Barr, Brooklin, Maine and Apache Junction, Arizona, 2016. STUDIO WEST, LLC



Animal House, 41" x 22½", #4- to 8-cut hand-dyed and as-is wool on linen. Designed by Janice Johnson and hooked by Rhonda L. Ducote, Nome, Texas, 2015.



Heavenly Bodies, 89" x 29", #5- & #6-cut wool on linen. Designed and hooked by Betty Kerr, Chestertown, Maryland, 2016. The Finishing Touch



Untitled, 21" x 18½", Recycled cotton and other materials on burlap. Designed and hooked by Michelle Jordan, Stafford, Virginia, 2016.



Halloween Cat and Pumpkin Postcard Rug, 21" x 32", #8-cut overdyed and as-is wool on linen. Designed by Tricia Travis of Country Gatherings and hooked by Janet Griffith, Frisco, Texas, 2016.