



VISIONS
MUSEUM OF
TEXTILE ART

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Visions Museum of Textile Art



Statement of Purpose

Visions Museum of Textile Art celebrates and shares with the public the rich history, artistry, and cultural significance of quilting and textile art. Our exhibitions explore the various textile traditions of diverse cultures and bring to the community art that resonates with the present day. These exhibitions push boundaries technically, artistically, and conceptually, leaving our visitors stimulated, uplifted, and thoughtfully challenged.

We believe that textile art has the power to foster connection, spark dialogue, and inspire action around the important issues of our time. We provide a welcoming and inclusive space where individuals of all identities, experiences, and abilities can explore, appreciate, and engage with the beauty and craftsmanship of textiles, inspiring and empowering them to express themselves.

Our Impact

- **14,000+** adults and **1,300+** children visited the Museum this year.
- We welcomed visitors from **571+** different zip codes.
- Our website engaged **10,000+** users over the past 12 months.
- **180+** participants joined our engaging educational programs.
- **2300+** volunteer hours were dedicated to our exhibitions and programs.
- We celebrated diversity with visitors from **11** countries around the world.
- **18** educational programs and **12** community programs inspired creativity and connection.
- **401** members are part of our vibrant community.
- **262** members renewed their memberships this year, reaffirming their commitment to our mission.
- **61** new members joined our community this year.
- **55** artists showcased their work at the Museum, including **8** international artists.
- We collaborated with **14** community organizations to bring impactful programs and initiatives to life.



Program Highlights

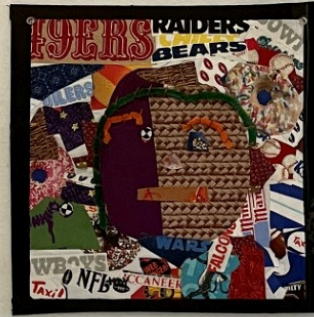
The Liberty School Program continued to inspire and support local school-aged children facing socio-economic challenges, providing enriching experiences that build skills and foster connection.

- **Inspiring Joy and Building Skills:**

- Through the Liberty School Program, **over 700 children alumni** gained practical skills like sewing a button, sparking pride and confidence. After completing his quilt, a student exclaimed, **“This is the best day ever! I made a quilt, AND I got a house!”** These experiences reflect the transformative power of art to uplift and empower, even in challenging circumstances.

- **Connecting to Legacy and Loved Ones:**

- Quilting often evokes cherished family memories, with children sharing connections or honoring loved ones. One student included a trinket on their quilt, explaining, **“I never got to meet my grandma, but this is in memory of her.”** These moments showcase how art weaves personal stories into lasting legacies.



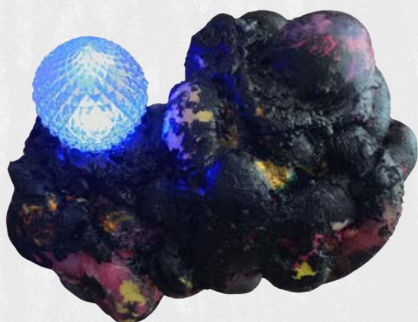
Exhibition Highlights

Latine Entretejida/Interwoven: Visions Museum of Textile Art proudly unveiled *Latine Entretejida/Interwoven*, a groundbreaking program celebrating Latine textile artists inspired by the vibrant culture of the San Diego/Tijuana border. Featuring the work of renowned artists Irma Poeter, Marisa Raygoza, Mely Barragán, and Olivia Arreguin, this exhibition showcased a stunning collection of quilts, sculptures, and fashion pieces that highlight the richness and complexity of Latine cultural art.



The program;

- Brought together artists and communities from both sides of the San Diego/Tijuana border in the museum's first binational collaboration.
- Offered a free exhibition, welcoming a diverse audience to experience the art.
- Included artist-led workshops and a community art project designed for all ages.
- Elevated Latine voices and traditions through innovative textile art.



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2025

EXHIBITIONS

In 2025, our exhibitions will demonstrate how traditional practices inform contemporary textile art. We will explore three compelling themes: Color, Storytelling, and Sustainability. We are also thrilled to include so many incredible partners in our 2025 calendar, including, SAQA, Fiber Art Now, Oceanside Museum of Art, and CEART.

For more information and our full exhibition calendar, please visit our website at VMOTA.org.



COMMUNITY ART & CULTURE PROGRAMMING

Through cultural events, interactive workshops, and collaborative projects, we invite people from all backgrounds to connect, share traditions, and use textile art as a medium to build relationships, inspire dialogue, and celebrate diversity.

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

We are thrilled to introduce youth to the world of textile art during their early stages of creative exploration. Through hands-on activities, young participants will discover the vibrant use of colors, learn the art of storytelling through textiles, and develop an appreciation for artistic expression.

