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Gloria Seaman Allen received her Ph.D. in American Studies with concentrations in material culture and folk life from George Washington University. Her dissertation explored the roles of slave women in cloth production on large plantations in the Chesapeake region. She has written and lectured extensively on eighteenth- and nineteenth-century textiles and textile workers from Maryland and Virginia. Recent works include the book, A Maryland Album: Quiltmaking Traditions, 1634-1934, the published paper “Slaves As Textile Artisans: Documentary Evidence for the Chesapeake Region,” in Uncoverings 2001, and the article“Needlework Education in Antebellum Alexandria,” in The Magazine Antiques. From 1980 to 1990 she served as curator and then director of the Daughters of the American Revolution Museum in Washington, D.C.

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prizes by the Costume Society of America, and one by the American Historical Association. Two were selected by Book-of-the-Month Club. She has written many articles; she designed and curated "Mothers of Invention: 25 Millennia of Textile History" for the Museum for Textiles, Toronto; and she served several years on the TSA Board. Her hobbies include European folk and historical dance and dress.

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Virginia Davis works with ikat weaving and other resist techniques. An internationally exhibited artist, her awards include four Visual Artist grants from the NEA and the New York State Council for the Arts, a Fulbright to India. Her MA in Sociology/Anthropology is from the University of Illinois, Urbana. Her interest in Mexican culture began while, as a graduate student, she was an assistant to Oscar Lewis on an anthropological field trip to Mexico. In 1991, she published “Resist Dyeing in Mexico: Comments on Its History, Significance, and Prevalence” in Textile Traditions of Mesoamerica and the Andes. Her video (1992), Fidel Diaz Valencia, Master Weaver, documents the last jaspe rebozo weaver in Oaxaca. With a joint NEA/Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes award (1995) she, with Irmgard W. Johnson, researched stitch-and-tie resist skirts in Mexico. Starting in 1988, she organized the Elsie McDougall Archive of notebooks, letters and photographs in the Department of Anthropology, the American Museum of Natural History.

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María Jesús Jiménez Díaz is a Ph. D. Candidate in the Department of American Anthropology of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. The Pre-Columbian Textile Collection in the Museo de América de Madrid is the subject of her dissertation. Her research is also centered on pre-Hispanic textiles from the north coast of Peru, where she has been working as the textile specialist in several archaeological projects, analyzing textiles ranging from Moche to Chimú-Inca in style. A main point of her studies concerns the technical features that characterize the Northern Textile Production as an expression of cultural identity. She has published several works on Moche textiles from the site of Dos Cabezas, on Chimú/Chimú-Inca textiles from Farfán and Cabur, and on a selection of related textiles in the Museo de América. From 1997 to 1999 she was a fellow at the Textile Museum of the Universidad Complutense, developing textile conservation. She also has been working as a textile curator and restorer in the Army Museum in Madrid (2000-2002). She is currently carrying out research and cataloguing of the Textile
Genevieve Dion is an award-winning artist whose collections are admired for their beautiful handmade details and extraordinary craftsmanship. She works primarily in velvet and silk, for their texture, iridescence and rich color potential and uses various applications of shibori in her creative process. Dion’s collections and accessories have been sold at Bergdorf Goodman in New York, Holt Renfrew Canada, Cicada San Francisco, Maxfield Los Angeles, Barneys, Felissimo and Julie:Artisans Gallery in New York. In November 1999 she exhibited in Santiago, Chile at the International Shibori Symposium, where she also co-curated a fashion photography exhibit of North American Shibori at the Instituto Chileno Norteamericano. In November 2000, she participated for the second time in The Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show where she was awarded the Ornament Magazine Prize for Fiber Wearable. She has also received the Sheila Hugh Mackay Foundation Grant and the Ontario Crafts Council Design Award. A Quebec native, she is now based in Denver.

Joanne Dolan is an associate curator in the textile collection at the Museum at FIT in New York. She has helped curate and coordinate several exhibitions at the museum such as, A Woman's Hand: Designing Textiles in America, 1945-1969, Monumental and Intimate: The Tapestries of Helena Hernmarck, and Beads and Sequins, Scintillating Fashion. She has consulted on exhibitions outside of MFIT, such as the Festival of Mongolia’s Mongolian Nomads: A Tradition of Survival, and Guggenheim Museum’s Giorgio Armani Retrospective. She also teaches the history of western textiles at FIT’s School of Graduate Studies. She presented a paper on WPA textiles at TSA’s 1998 Symposium. She has her B.A. in Art History from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and her M.A. from S.U.N.Y. FIT.


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Park College, Scotland, teaching textile and design courses. After moving to the United States, she continued her teaching career, first at the University of Southern Maine and, later, at Westbrook College where she also curated a costume and textile collection. Her current research is centered on silk in Maine and the American silk industry. Published articles related to silk include, "Silk and Style: Affording American Machine-Made Silks at the Turn of the Twentieth Century" (1999) and "Dyes, Chemistry and Clothing: The Influence of Word War I on Fabrics, Fashions and Silk." (2001) in Dress, the Annual Journal of The Costume Society of America.

Cynthia Finlayson received her Ph.D. in Ancient Near Eastern and Classical Art History from the University of Iowa-Iowa City. She also minored in Islamic art. Her dissertation topic focused on an in depth study and re-cataloguing of the female funerary portraits of Palmyra, Syria. She currently is an Assistant Professor of Art History at Brigham Young University where she teaches not only ancient and classical art history but also Islamic Art and Architecture. She is currently the Director of the BYU/Syrian Department of Antiquities Museum Computer Registration and Conservation Project and travels between Utah and Syria to teach, do research, and assist the Syrian Department of Antiquities. This summer she will also return to excavate in Petra, Jordan where she began her graduate studies. Dr. Finlayson has given numerous presentations on both Palmyrene and Islamic art at the national conferences of both the College Art Association and the Archaeological Institute of America.

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Textiles from Shahr-i Sokhta, Eastern Iran", is in press. The archaeology of early silk is one of Irene's particular interests. She is currently working on a project examining early silks in Western Europe and Asia.

**Beverly Gordon**, Ph.D., is a Professor in the Environment, Textiles and Design department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has been actively involved with TSA since its inception, serving as Coordinator of the 199 Symposium, as Vice President from 1996-1998, and President from 1998-2000. Her books include *Bazaars and Fair Ladies: The History of the American Fundraising Fair; Shaker Textile Arts; and Feltmaking: Traditions, Techniques and Contemporary Explorations*; and she has written numerous articles on American needlework and American Indian beadwork. She is now working on a volume entitled *The Fiber of Our Lives: Why Textiles Matter.*

**Jocelyn Gottschalk** completed course work in May 2001 at *The Fashion Institute of Technology* for a Master’s Degree in Museum Studies: Costume and Textiles. She is currently working on her thesis, the subject of which is fashion in the United States in the nineteen thirties. She has presented papers at *The Fashion Institute of Technology,* and at *The Southwest Wisconsin Medieval and Renaissance Conference* at the *University of Wisconsin-Platteville.* She currently works at *The Textile Museum* in Washington, DC.


**Elizabeth Wincott Heckett** is a Research Associate and part-time lecturer in the Department of Archaeology, University College Cork, National University of Ireland. Wincott Heckett has published Medieval and Viking Age textiles from Dublin, Waterford and Cork, and Bronze Age, Iron Age, Early and Post Medieval Irish finds. Presentations and subsequent publications include the Northern European Archaeological Symposia 1987, 1990, 1993, 1996, 1999 and 2002, and TSA 1998 and 2000. Her publication, Viking Age Headcoverings from Dublin (Royal Irish Academy) is planned to be in print at the end of 2002.

**Ana Lisa Hedstrom** is a textile artist and designer who is recognized as one of the leading American shibori artists. Her fabric and wall pieces have been shown widely both in the US and abroad, featured in exhibitions by the Cooper-Hewitt Museum, New York; American Craft Museum, New York; British Crafts Center, London; Museum of
Craft and Folk Art, San Francisco. She was awarded Top Prize in the International Division at the Shibori/World Expo, Nagoya '89; was a top finalist and received the Ideacomo Award from the Fashion Foundation at the Third International Textile Design Contest, Tokyo ’88; and twice was given a Craftsman Fellowship by the National Endowment for the Arts. Hedstrom’s work has also been featured in several publications: Memory on Cloth: Shibori Now and Shibori by YI Wada; Art to Wear, Julie Dale; and Craft Today, Paul Smith and Edward Lucle-Smith.

Jessica Hemmings completed her BFA (Honors) in Textiles at the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence, Rhode Island in 1999. In September of 2000 she earned her MA in Comparative Literature (Africa/Asia) with Distinction from the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. She is currently working towards her Ph.D. on the role of cloth in the novellas of Zimbabwean author Yvonne Vera at the University of Edinburgh. Research interests include the relationship between textual and textile production, with particular emphasis on postcolonial literature and crafts. Jessica writes regularly for the Surface Design Journal, FIBERARTS, Craft Arts International and Object. “The Voice of Cloth: Interior Dialogues and Exterior Skins” will appear in the forthcoming book Sign and Taboo: Perspectives on the Poetic Prose of Yvonne Vera.

Karen Herbaugh is the curator at the American Textile History Museum. She joined the ATHM staff in 1994, when she was hired as part of the project team to move the Museum’s textile and wooden tool and machinery collections to Lowell. Since that time, she has assumed increasing responsibilities within the collections department and is now curator of those collections. She has coordinated and mounted several of ATHM’s recent temporary exhibitions. She holds a B.S. from Arizona State University and an M.S. from Oregon State University in historic costume and textiles. Before coming to ATHM, she worked with several costume collections in Arizona and Oregon. She serves on the Costume Society of America, Region I board of directors and the Textile Society of America 2002 biennial symposium committee.

Grace Katterman received her MA in Anthropology and Museology in 1986 from the University of Arizona and continued studies in Clothing and Textiles until the department closed without awarding further degrees. During this time she was also employed in textile conservation by the Western Archaeological and Conservation Center, a National Park Service repository in Tucson, where she now continues to work under contract with this facility as a textile conservator. As a current Board Member of the California Institute for Peruvian Studies, she has been active in textile instruction, research and conservation in Peru for over 15 years. She has authored articles concerning several major south coastal textile collections in the care of this organization and currently continues the study of Provincial Inca garments.

Morimoto Kikuo is the director of the Institute of Khmer Traditional Textiles located in Siem Reap, Cambodia, which he founded in 1996 with support of the Japan Foundation. The goal of the Institute is to restore and preserve Cambodian textile traditions by providing a place for women to weave and dye silk, encourage younger generations to continue weaving to preserve their national heritage, and activate a promising
marketplace for the textiles woven by the students and teachers, and promote other activities such as sericulture. Mr. Morimoto had spent many years previously in northeast Thailand working with natural dyes and silk weaving projects, including working with Khmer (the dominant ethnic group of Cambodia) weavers located in this region.

Keiko Kobayashi is an artist and researcher of traditional weaving. After graduating from California College of Arts and Crafts where she learned textile history from Dr. Ruth Boyer, she studied Japanese textile history under Professor Tomoyuki Yamanobe at Tama Art College in Tokyo to write a M.A. thesis titled, "Double Cloth Weave on Backstrap Loom in Hachijo Island." During the symposium of the Textile Society of America in 1998, she spoke about "Recreating a Warp-faced Compound Weave with the Jacquard Mechanism-Considering Heizo Tatsumura." On the TSA in 2000, she spoke about the invented kasuri techniques after Meiji period, titled "Old Ties and New Points."

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Louise W. Mackie received her M.A. in Islamic Art from the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University. She curated textiles at The Textile Museum and at the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto, and currently is curator of textiles and Islamic art at the Cleveland Museum of Art. Her most recent publication is a collaborative book with N. Atasoy, W.B. Denny & H. Tezcan, IPEK Imperial Ottoman Silks and Velvets. Previously, she produced a video, Threads of Time: Handmade Textiles in Fez, Morocco.

Diane Maglio: Menswear clothing historian with an MA in Museum Studies: Costume and Textiles from the Fashion Institute of Technology. She is a teacher of fashion, an international lecturer, and merchandiser for Viyella men’s sports shirts. Her most recent publication: “Luxuriant Crowns: Victorian Men’s Smoking Caps,” Dress June 2001 was presented as an illustrated talk at Oxford University, England for the Costume Society symposia 2001. Diane Maglio was the special editorial consultant and contributor to “A Century of Men’s Fashion” published by DNR. She was a speaker at “Hollywood and Fashion” seminar presented at the Black Bear Film Festival, Milford, PA.

Linda McIntosh received her Master’s degree in Southeast Asian Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. While at Madison, she researched the textiles of Tai ethnic groups living in Thailand and Laos. Continuing her research in the field, she has lived in Thailand for several years, making frequent trips to Laos, Burma, Cambodia, and
Thailand. As a Lao-American, Linda grew up around weaving as her mother (a Red Tai) continued to weave, as she did her native country, in the United States. Forthcoming publications on the subject of textiles include “Textiles and Dress of Cambodia,” “Textiles and Dress of Thailand,” and “Lao Ikat Dyeing,” in the next edition of the Encyclopedia of Asia (Scribner’s). She is a regular guest lecturer in the course on Southeast Asian textiles at the University of Washington-Seattle, and has made presentations on Thai textiles in the past.

Lesley Miller gained a doctorate in Design History from the University of Brighton in 1988 for her thesis on design and designers in the eighteenth century silk manufactures of Lyon (France) - which is also the subject of the book she is currently writing. She has written a number of articles on silk manufacturing, including, most recently 'Mysterious Manufacturers: Identifying L. Galy, Gallien et cie. and their Contribution to the Eighteenth-century Lyon Silk Manufactures', Studies in the Decorative Arts (Spring 2002). She lectures in textile and dress history at the University of Southampton (UK) where she is program co-ordinator for the BA History of Art and Design. The research for this paper benefited greatly from her tenure of the Veronica Gervers Fellowship in Textile History at the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, in 2000.

Robin E. Muller studied studio Textiles at both Virginia Commonwealth University (BFA 1976) and the University of Michigan (MFA 1978). She has taught Textiles, Foundation, Craft History and Book Arts at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax, Canada since 1979. She began researching fabric bookbindings due to her combined interest in textiles and the book arts. She curated The Handbound Book in Nova Scotia at the Mary E. Black Gallery, Nova Scotia Centre for Craft and Design in 2002 with binder and historian Joseph Landry to commemorate the 250th anniversary of printing in Canada. It included a 32-page catalog published by Gaspereau Press and a video by the same title produced by Muller and Landry. Her current textile work involves weaving images, sometimes for book covers, on a TC1 computer jacquard handloom.

Yuh Okano is an artist and designer who grew up and did research in Japan and was educated in the US, receiving her BFA from Rhode Island School of Design in textiles. As an artist, she searches for the potential of materials and how they relate to people’s everyday lives. Okano has worked as a designer for Tanuki Studio, NYC; Junichi Arai’s J. Christie Co, Japan; and was a full-time faculty member at the Otsuka Textile Design Institute. Her works have been featured in numerous group and solo exhibitions, including “Structure and Surface: Contemporary Japanese Textiles,” St. Louis Art Museum and MoMA NY; Textile Designer’s Show; and Tokyo Fashion Festival. She has collaborated with costume designers, including Academy Award winning designer Emi Wada for a movie “1/2 Woman” by Peter Greenway.

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**Brenda Schmahmann** is Professor and Head of the Department of Fine Art at Rhodes University in South Africa. Her Ph.D. in art history was received from the University of Witwaterstrand in South Africa. She has curated a widely travelled exhibition of the work of South African needlework collectives, directed a video on Weya women’s appliqués, and is author of Material Matters: Appliqués by the Weya Women of Zimbabwe and Needlework by South African Collectives. Her articles have appeared in The South African Journal of Cultural and Art History, De Arte, Acta Varia, and the Women's Art Journal.

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