



Michael James; Bouree, 1992
Gift of Penny Nii and Edward Feigenbaum
Photo: James Dewrance

November 1, 2017

Dear <first name>,

“This place is a dream come true.” Isn’t that a wonderful comment from the Museum guestbook?

As the newly appointed Executive Director of the San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, I feel lucky to be working in the dream every day. And I know that you have been a good friend of the Museum because you enjoy the special place that textiles occupy in our history, in the history of art and in our everyday lives. Your past generosity in making the museum the vibrant institution it is today is deeply appreciated. I invite you to continue your involvement with a generous year-end gift – a gift that will allow us to support wonderful artists and bring our arts to the next generation of makers and viewers.



From Sabine Reckewell's *Linear Interventions*, SJMQT 2017.

I am so proud of what we have accomplished this year and with your help we can continue bringing these unique exhibitions and programs to our community.

As we celebrate our 40th Anniversary, we count our successes and trust that you have been part of many of them:



The next generation of fiber art lovers at our Japanese Handicraft Festival.

- Mounted **twenty robust and varied exhibitions** in our five exhibition spaces
- Held **two free Community Open Houses** for all ages with talks, tours and fiber art making
- Launched an **online searchable database** with over 400 objects from our Permanent Collection
- **Increased our Permanent Collection** by almost 200 objects
- Started an **Artist in Residence program** which was an immediate success with all our visitors
- Hosted **over 1,000 school children for exhibition tours** and art experiences

Your funds support all these programs, and more, providing access and inspiration to the next generation of fiber artists and museum visitors.

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As you remember the warm feelings and artistic inspiration from your visits to our galleries, please help us continue offering this experience. Make your most generous contribution today so together we can bring the very best fiber and quilt art to our community in the year ahead. Each dollar you donate to the Museum is fully tax deductible; by helping us, you also help yourself and bring beauty into the world. What better return could you ask for your investment?

Sincerely,

Nancy Bavor
Director



From our 40th Anniversary Celebration and Open House – Mayor Sam Liccardo enjoying Artist in Residence Laurie Shapiro's installation.

P.S. Make a gift of \$250 or more by December 31, 2017 and receive two complimentary tickets to our talk by Paul J. Smith, Director Emeritus of the Museum of Arts and Design on January 28, 2018!