

Home Work



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Opening reception Friday, July 7, 6-10pm

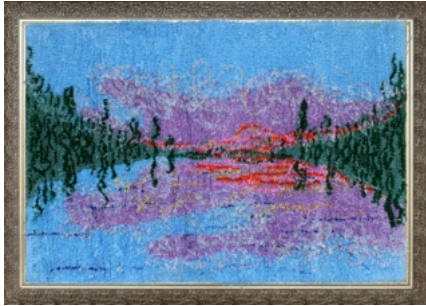
Bell Projects presents – **Home Work** – a solo exhibition of new work by **Diana Harper** on view in the Living Room gallery. This exhibition opens Friday, July 7th and runs through August 27th, 2023. Please join us for an opening reception on July 7th from 6pm until 10pm.

The title *Home Work* comes from a combination of *Home Textiles* and *Women's Work*. This exhibition is about liberating Craft into the realm of Fine Art.

According to Harper, “when you hear the word craft you might imagine a grandmother knitting a hat. You probably don’t picture a piece of art hanging in an art museum. Home textiles include many items such as handmade baby blankets, knitted sweaters, embellished quilts, and woven baskets. They are objects that give us warmth, solace, community, tradition, and identity. *Women’s work* is a term used throughout art history that has kept domestic craft from entering a high art setting. Instead, I celebrate women’s work. It is not just synonymous with necessity, but an expression of artistry. These objects go beyond what is normally considered fine art — they hold you, comfort you, and sit with you. A rug is not made with just color and composition, but must also be structurally sound. Functionality is in the DNA of craft.”

Having Harper’s works in *The Living Room gallery* at Bell Projects is a unique opportunity to explore fiber art in the setting of a home. Visitors are encouraged to physically interact with everything in this room, even the paintings on the walls.

Diana Harper is a fiber artist based in Denver, Colorado. Her passion for yarn started at Kent State University where she received a BFA in Sculpture and Expanded Media. Her work has been shown in various galleries and pop-up venues in Denver including Art Gym Denver, Bell Projects, and Route 40 cafe. Diana wants her hand-tufted rugs and objects to live in your home and spend time with you. She is passionate about bringing joy to everyday tasks which is why her work is often very colorful. When Diana isn’t in the studio she loves to dance or curl up with a romance novel.



Sunrise at the Pickled Parrot
2023
Tufted Rug
24 x 36"
\$1,500



Bowl of Fruit
2023
Tufted Rug
\$500



Kitchen Flowers
2023
Tufted Rug
\$1,000



Eggs and Bacon
2023
Tufted Rug
\$300



Vase with Flower
2023
Tufted Rug
\$300



Little House
2023
Tufted Rug
\$75



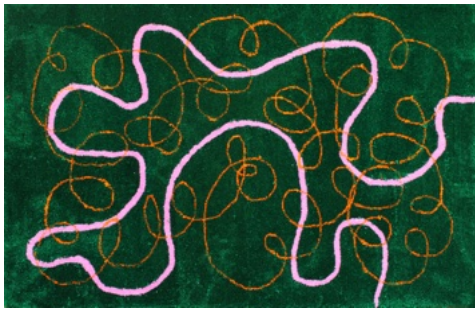
Rugs Together

2023

Tufted Rugs

84 x 132"

\$10,000



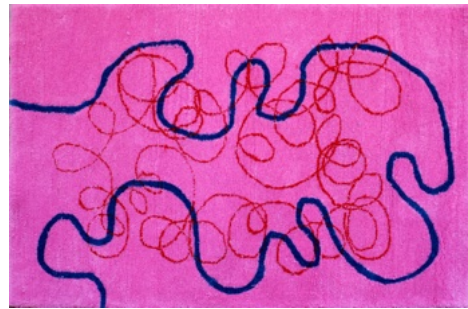
Green Rug

2023

Tufted Rug

42 x 66"

\$3,500



Pink Rug

2023

Tufted Rug

42 x 66"

\$3,500



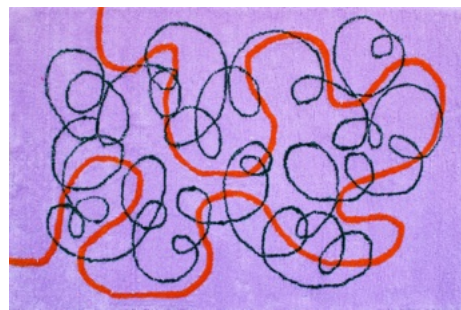
Red Rug

2023

Tufted Rug

42 x 66"

\$3,500



Purple Rug

2023

Tufted Rug

42 x 66"

\$3,500