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NEW SOUTH WALES. – Sydney- Martha Birch



guess is as good as anyone. The other photo is a closeup.

Martha

Hi Miriam Jackie and I meant to contact you earlier about our trip to the Rug Hooking exhibition at the Mint Museum in Sydney. The exhibit was only a case showing the business run by a woman in 1940, who worked in the Western Suburbs of Sydney. She sold patterns and materials and tools.

However! The staff were so helpful and brought us lots of books and other references to rug hooking. They also showed us one rug, donated to the museum.

This rug was propped and looked to me to be made of white cotton stockings used in the 1800's by naval officers. The staff had no idea of its age or origin, so my



Here's the link for the Mint exhibition

<https://sydneylivingmuseums.com.au/exhibitions/rug-making-home>

ENGLAND – Nottingham Pricilla Cameron

This is a piece I have been Punching it was going to be a cushion cover but I like it so much it will be a hanging I think the effect will be lost on a cushion .. attached the picture

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA.** Maxine

Knitted for a grand daughter



Keys



Alana's first rug.

**Someone said "Nothing
rhymes with orange."
I said "No it doesn't."**



NEW SOUTH WALES. MILTON SPINNING GROUP

'FRIENDSHIP DAY' 6TH JUNE 2022

Theme 'Bring a friend and a beanie' (The beanies are going into gift packs prepared by a local girl's group for paramedics, who have worked so hard during the Covid Pandemic.)



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The flowers on the hat and birds on top are needle felted.



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Needle felting
on edge of
poncho.



Fire keeping us warm.



BERMUDA – Shina

Longtails are our birds! They live out in the ocean and then come ashore When spring comes and stay all summer then back out to sea in September!



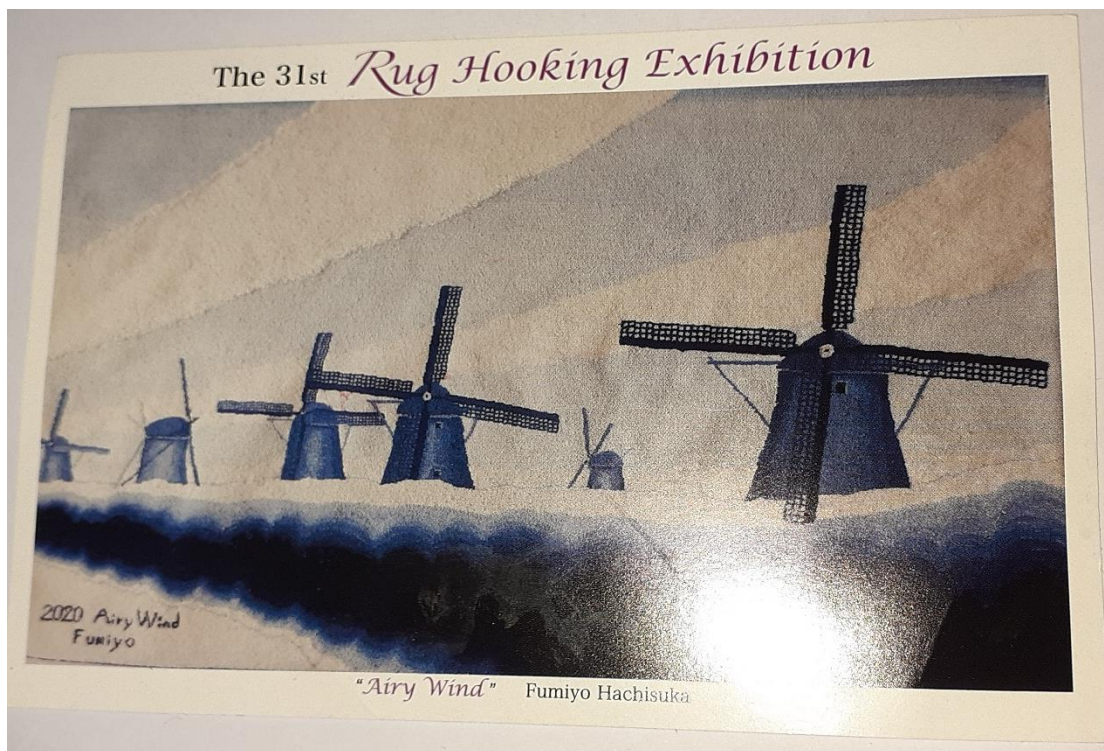
Sorry it is sideways to fit it in.

Christmas stocking also made by Shina.

HEATHER RITCHIE. -Our wonderful friend Heather is seriously ill. I ask everyone to pray for her. Heather has stage 4 melanoma. She is at a holistic cancer treatment centre in Spain for three weeks.

JAPAN TOKYO Fumiyo
work.

The invitation to the 31st Rug Hooking exhibition featuring some of Fumiyo's



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The 31st Rug Hooking Exhibition
第31回 ラグ・フッキング 作品展

北アメリカ東海岸の開拓者たちが生み出した伝統的手芸
ラグ・フッキングを今に伝える温かみあふれる創作展。
今年はGallery Nagatani 1 (ギャラリー永谷1)で開催することになりました。

2022年 **10月13日(木) ~ 18日(火)**
from October 13 to 18 2022
12:00~17:00 (初日13:00~、最終日16:00まで)

会場: **Gallery Nagatani 1** (ギャラリー永谷1)
〒180-0004 東京都武蔵野市吉祥寺本町1-20-1
吉祥寺永谷シティプラザ1F TEL:0422-21-9325
(吉祥寺ヨドバシカメラとなり)
<http://www.ntgp.co.jp/rentalspace/gallery.html>
Access JR中央線「吉祥寺駅」北口より徒歩3分

Gallery Nagatani 1
ギャラリー永谷1

事務局 <https://rughooking234.com>
〒178-0064 練馬区南大泉1-10-17 TEL 03-5387-4002

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Fumiyo Hachisuka

SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW Everything???

A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.

A crocodile cannot stick out its tongue.

A dragonfly has a life span of 24 hours.

A goldfish has a memory span of three seconds.

A "jiffy" is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.

A shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.

A snail can sleep for three years.

Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.

Almonds are a member of the peach family.

An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't appear until the child reaches 2 to 6 years of age.

Butterflies taste with their feet.

Cats have over one hundred vocal sounds. Dogs only have about 10.

"Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "MT".

February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.

In the last 4,000 years, no new animals have been domesticated.

If the population of China walked past you, in single file, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.

It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.

Leonardo Da Vinci invented scissors.

No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver, or purple.

Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.

Peanuts are one of the ingredients of dynamite.

Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.

"Stewardesses" is the longest word typed with only the left hand and "lollipop" with your right.

The average person's left hand does 56% of the typing.

The cruise liner, QE2, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.

The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.

The sentence: "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter of the alphabet.

The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.

The words 'racecar,' 'kayak' and 'level' are the same whether they are read left to right or right to left (palindromes).

There are more chickens than people in the world.

There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous

There are two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order: "abstemious" and "facetious."

Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.

TYPEWRITER is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.

Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

There, *now* you know everything!

ENGLAND – Katrina Crossley.



We visited Charleston yesterday - it's a farmhouse on the South Downs that was lived in by Vanessa Bell and Duncan Grant from 1916 until Duncan Grant's death in the 1970s. Many friends from the Bloomsbury group stayed there at various times. They painted every surface with their interesting designs and artworks. One of the things I spotted was a very worn rag rug! Here is a photo.

No one is sure who designed the rug but it was probably either Duncan or Vanessa.

The house is lovely and full of artistic treasures. The garden is beautiful in that chaotic English style.



Here are some more photos.



ENGLAND – NOTTINGHAM -Patricks Garden.

CANADA. NEWFOUNDLAND Gander Patricia Parsons

" Safe at Home" Knitted Blanket

A group of ladies in the Eastport area of Central Newfoundland were concerned for the future of their local Arts and Heritage Centre. Like many others in rural Newfoundland Labrador, The Beaches is struggling to re-open and make a go of it. The ladies decided to tap into the knitting expertise that Eastport is known for, and started to knit this blanket you see in the photo below. All the knitters involved got to knit a few blocks of the various coloured houses, and all the blocks were knit together. Now this lovely cheerful blanket will be put up on tickets over the summer, and it's hoped to raise a couple of thousand dollars.

Anyone interested in ordering it can do so from the designer, Margaret Holtzmann.

<https://www.theknitwit.org/safe-at-home-blanket>

Happy Hooking! Happy Knitting. Pat Parsons.



QUEENSLAND – Annette White

Finally, I put the last touches to the baby blanket and here is the photo you can put in your newsletter. I stitched some thin jersey material onto the back to protect little fingers getting caught in the loose threads behind the sheep. When knitting a row of sheep, I had a length of white wool wrapped around a washing peg for each individual sheep pegged onto the back of it, to avoid having long threads running behind from sheep to sheep. Notice the lonely black sheep in the top left corner, could help myself adding it.

Size 120cm x 120cm



AMERICA- Washington - Holly – Michele Wise

I like to have on hand holiday mats for displaying on a wall in my house. I did not have a valentine mat but I had this free project from Michelle Palmer. I love the colours she uses on her needle punch projects. I also like her art work. I think the free pattern I had was for punching but I made it bigger, traced it on linen and started with the basket. I cut #9 strips and woven them for the basket. I had seven the top warp strips down to the linen I also made a braid for the top. I had some scrap leather I used for the handles and punched the holes with an awl and sewed the leather shape to the linen. I used left-over strips and made the background in a diamond shape. I hooked in raffia to the bottom of the basket. I Also took tags for the shape and needle punched the letters of "I love you" and glued the finished product onto the tags. I then got wires from my jewellers making to attach the tags to the leather straps I sewed onto the linen. I hooked with yarn and velvet as well as the other materials I mentioned.



THE END