



”THE VALUE OF TEXTILE ART” - ADDED VALUES IN BERGEN

March 30th to April 3rd 2016

Nordic Textile Art is arranging a meeting for textile artists and for everybody interested in textile art. The meeting takes place at **Bergen Academy of Art** - Kunst og designhøgskolen i Bergen. The participants of the meeting will have an impressive program of lectures, excursions and workshops to choose from.

The theme of the NTA meeting ”The Value of Textile Art – Added Values ” is introduced by **Linda Fagerström**, Ph D and art critic from Sweden, who will reflect on the challenges of textile art.

Speakers at the meeting include three textile artists from three Nordic countries:

Gunvor Nervold Antonsen from Norway is a former student of the KHiB and winner of the 2015 Nordic Award in Textiles. She will give a talk on ”A Comprehensive Sketch” - a narration about work and process.

Annika Ekdahl is an established Swedish artist and winner of the 2014 Nordic Award in Textiles. A former Visiting Professor at the University of Gothenburg/School of Design and Craft, Annika Ekdahl exhibits and lectures frequently. Her latest commission is two large tapestries for the Oslo University College.

Tuija Teiska from Finland is a student at the Academy of Fine Art, Helsinki. Tuija Teiska reflects on the added values in her art.

A Textile Walk will take the meeting participants to see textile art in public premises in Bergen mainly the University of Bergen. There will also be a Textile Industry Tour to Oleanna and Hillesvåg, as well as a Textile Country Tour. The Bergen Academy of Art and Design will host workshops in ”Weaving High Tech and Low Tech”.

Nordic Textile Art, NTA, founded in 2006, is an organisation working to enable encounters, creating networks for textile artists and for those interested in textile art. Since the 2012 meeting in Reykjavik, NTA organises a yearly meeting in a Nordic country. Last year the meeting took place in Helsinki.

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