

# Paula Stebbins Becker

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## Education

### **Cranbrook Academy of Art**

Bloomfield Hills, MI

1993, MFA Textiles/Fiber

### **UMass Dartmouth ( formerly SMU )**

North Dartmouth, MA

1984, BFA Textile Design

## Exhibitions

- 2016 The Pawtucket Collaborative Gallery, RI, "Art Unites Communities"
- 2015 Tainan University of the Arts Gallery, Taiwan, "Unravel" Solo exhibition
- 2015 The IMAGO Gallery, RI, "Members Exhibition"
- 2015 Attelboro Art Museum, MA, "Art Unites Communities"
- 2014 The IMAGO Gallery, RI, "New Directions in Fiber" Jurors Award
- 2014 The Narrows Center for the Arts, MA, "Modern Spin"
- 2013 The Fuller Craft Museum, MA, "Small Expressions" 3rd Prize Award
- 2011 Artworks! Gallery, MA, "One Passion, Many Voices" SDA Exhibition
- 2010 CVPA Campus Gallery, UMass Dartmouth, MA, "Swarovski, Textile Design and Fibers"
- 2008 The Reading Public Museum, PA, "Hot House, Expanding the Field of Fiber at Cranbrook"
- 2007 Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum, MI, "Hot House, Expanding the Field of Fiber at Cranbrook "
- 2005 Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum, MI, "Cranbrook to Lancaster and Back, Contemporary work from the collection of Robert L. Pfannebecker"
- 1998 New Bedford Art Museum, MA, "The Figure in Clay and Fiber"
- 1998 Douglas Arts Common Gallery, MA, "Shimmer Threads- Cloth as Art Form"
- 1997 Higgins Art Gallery, MA, "Women Creating- Fiber Arts"
- 1997 Worcester Center for Crafts, MA, "Connecting Threads"
- 1997 RISD Museum, RI, "RISD Faculty Biennial Exhibition"
- 1996 Textile Arts Centre, Chicago, IL, "Fiber 96"
- 1996 Contemporary Crafts Gallery, Portland OR, "New Voices in Weaving"
- 1996 Wade- Paris Gallery, Putnam CT, "Texture & Light"
- 1995 RISD Museum, RI, "RISD Faculty Exhibition"
- 1994 The Maryland Art Institute Gallery, MD "Fibers"
- 1993 Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum, MI "Thesis Exhibition"
- 1993 BBAA, Michigan Fine Arts Competition, MI Best of Show Award
- 1993 Pontiac Creative Arts Gallery, MI "The Body of Work"
- 1992 Cranbrook Academy of Art Forum Gallery, MI "Politics of Choice"

## **Publications**

Oct/Nov 2007, American Craft Magazine, "Reviewed, Hot House at Cranbrook"

2007, catalogue, "Hot House, Expanding the Field in Fiber at Cranbrook" 1970 - 2007

April 1997, American Craft Magazine, "Portfolio"

August 1995, "Tapestry Revisited", Carole King, Atlantic Records  
designed and hand wove silk weavings for CD book

Spring 1995, book, "Saarinen House and Garden, A Total Work of Art",  
by Gregory Wittkopp

Sept/Oct 1995, Fiberarts Magazine, "New Voices in Weaving",  
by Cynthia Schira

Nov/Dec 1995, Fiberarts Magazine, "Saarinen House, A Marriage of Weaving and  
Architecture", by Gregory Wittkopp

Nov/Dec 1995 Fiberarts Magazine, "A Weavers Perspective" by Paula Stebbins Becker

Dec 1994 Interior Design Magazine, "Saarinen House", by Andrea Loukin

## **Collections**

Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum  
Robert L. Pfannebecker, collector of American Craft  
Calvin and Carol Davis  
David Carlson  
Salvatore and Anne Asaro  
Vincent and Susan Bisceglia

## **Historical Textile Research**

### **Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI**

For the Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum I researched historical textiles woven by Loja Saarinen, the wife of architect Eliel Saarinen. With my research I was commissioned to hand weave five reproduction curtain textiles for the CAA Saarinen House and Museum. The complete work was published in the book "Saarinen House and Garden, A Total Work of Art", by Gregory Wittkopp.

## **Artist Workshop**

2015 "Memory and Memorabilia", Tainan University of the Arts, Taiwan

## **Textile Design Experience**

### **Freelance Textile Designer**

**Paula Becker Design**, Tiverton, RI

### **Director of Design, Decorative Fabrics**

**Quaker Fabrics**, Fall River, MA

### **Director of Design, Decorative Fabrics**

**Guilford of Maine**, Dudley, MA

### **Woven Textile Designer**

**Craftex Mills**, Philadelphia, PA

## **Teaching Experience**

### **Adjunct Professor, Textile Design/Fibers Department**

**UMass Dartmouth**, Star Store Campus, New Bedford, MA

### **Adjunct Professor, Textile Design Department**

**RISD**, Providence, RI

### **Adjunct Professor, Textile Design Department**

**Philadelphia University** (formerly PCT&S)

### **Art Enrichment Teacher**

**The Montessori School of the Angels**, Westport, MA

### **Art Workshops for Kids**

**Westport Art Group**, Westport, MA

## **Professional Industry Collaboration**

### **Spring 2010 - Jacquard Project**

UMD senior Textile Design students designed jacquard fabrics reproduced by the Victor Innovative Textile mill in Fall River, MA.

### **Fall 2009- Spring 2010 - Swarovski Elements Project**

Collaboration with Swarovski Crystals, Cranston RI and UMD Textile Design Department.