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shopping at the show, you are supporting American craft artists who keep 100% of their show sales.

The 2025 show theme is VISIONARIES and celebrates each artist's ability to use creativity, imagination, and skill to craft their amazing work. It truly is magic when these masters transform a lump of clay, blob of molten glass, or skein of yarn into a piece of art.

We also highlight multimedia artist Nick Cave, the recipient of the 2025 Smithsonian Visionary Award. We are in awe of his vision. Congratulations.

Thank you again for your support of the Smithsonian Craft Show. Enjoy!

Twig Murray and Alyce Phinney Smithsonian Craft Show Co-Chairs, 2025

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CRAFT SHOW HOURS

Thursday, April 24 — Saturday, April 26 10:00 AM — 5:00 PM Sunday, April 27 10:00 AM — 4:00 PM

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Visionary Conversation: *On Memory and Making* with Nick Cave Thursday, April 24 1:00 PM— 2:00 PM, Auditorium



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Lonnie G. Bunch III Secretary

April 23, 2025



Dear Friends,

As Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, I am pleased to welcome you to the 43rd annual Smithsonian Craft Show.

The theme of this year's show is VISIONARIES, celebrating those who have both a clear vision for the future and an ability to realize that vision. Our exhibitors are masters at manipulating their raw materials and visualizing ways in which to transform them into art.

Our 2025 Smithsonian Visionary Award artist Nick Cave has realized creative ways to express himself both personally and in response to the world around him throughout his career, most notably with his textural and sculptural Sound Suits.

As host for the event, the Smithsonian Women's Committee continues to execute creative programs for raising funds that help the entire Smithsonian Institution realize our vision for the increase and diffusion of knowledge.

I am grateful to the Smithsonian Women's Committee as well as our featured artists, our sponsors, donors, advertisers, and attendees. Thank you all for your support. Please enjoy the show.

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Jen Padgett

"The creativity, innovation, and skill of makers from across the country is remarkable." Jen Padgett **Jordan Ahlers** is the Director of Momentum Gallery in Asheville, NC. As one of the pre-eminent gallerists of fine American craft in the United States, Ahlers is committed to showcasing the

works of emerging and mid-career artists. Commenting on his appointment as a juror of the 2025 Smithsonian Craft Show, Ahlers said, "I am honored to participate as a juror for the nation's most prestigious craft show where top artists from around the country exhibit their best. I look forward to seeing this year's work and connecting with artists, friends, and my fellow jurors."

Brad Ford is a notable interior designer who conceived of and created Field + Supply, an exciting annual contemporary art and craft show in Kingston, NY. As an extension of his commitment to contemporary hand-crafted works, Ford opened Fair, located in the New York Design Center, consisting of a curated selection of artisans and designers. As a 2025 juror Ford said, "I love the idea of supporting handmade work that brings both beauty and authenticity to the spaces we inhabit. The Smithsonian Craft Show is a wonderful reminder of how deeply craft can inform design, adding layers of meaning and soul to a home or environment."

Jen Padgett is the Windgate Curator of Craft at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art in Bentonville, AR. In addition to curating major exhibitions and the reinstallation of the permanent collection galleries, she has brought notable craft acquisitions to the museum's collection. Padgett commented on her work with the Craft Show, "The creativity, innovation, and skill of makers from across the country is remarkable. Reviewing applications from artists whose work was new to me was energizing and inspiring."

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Honoring the Future, a project of the Open Space Institute, to be selected by Wendy Maruyama, 2024 recipient of the American Craft Council's Gold Medal for Consummate Craftsmanship.

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First Time Artist Award

2025 Opening Night Host Committee

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VISIONARY

Nick Cave 2025 Smithsonian Visionary Award Recipient

Photo by Sandro

The Smithsonian Visionary Award is presented annually to American artists who are deemed by experts in the field to have reached the pinnacle of sculptural art and design, who have works in major museums, and who demonstrate distinction, creativity, exceptional artistry and vision in their respective medium. The Smithsonian Women's Committee is proud to name Nick Cave, artist and fiber sculptor, the recipient of the 2025 Smithsonian Visionary Award in the medium of textiles.

Nick Cave's Soundsuits are a combination of meticulous craft and free-spirited design.

Cave's Soundsuits are his most notable pieces. These creations are a combination of meticulous craft and free-spirited design. They come alive when worn and even more so when animated with dance. But for Cave, they were born in a solemn moment, after the Rodney King beating and subsequent riots in 1992, which caused him to reexamine his existence as a Black man in society. Cave says that he started thinking of himself as someone who could be "discarded, devalued and viewed as less than." All his works consider the themes not only of personal empowerment, but also of unification and healing.

Cave's work is included in the collections of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Museum of Modern Art (New York), the Museum of Contemporary Art (Chicago), and the Crystal Bridges Museum (Arkansas) among many others.

He earned a B.F.A. at Kansas City Art Institute, an M.A. from Cranbrook Academy of Art, and is currently director of the graduate program in fashion at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Nominators for the 2025 Visionary Award

Jill D'Alessandro Director and Curator of the Avenir Institute of Textile Arts and Fashion at the Denver Art Museum; Past Curator in Charge of Costume and Textile Arts at The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco

Susan Brown Curator at Cooper Hewitt; Acting Head of Textiles, Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum

Julie Schafler Founder and President of Julie: Artisans' Gallery, New York; Served on the Advisory Council for The Textile Museum in Washington, DC

Rebecca Stevens Past Curator at The Textile Museum, Washington, DC

Previous Smithsonian Visionary awardees include Albert Paley, Wendell Castle, Toots Zynsky, Dale Chihuly, Faith Ringgold, Joyce J. Scott, Patti Warashina, David Ellsworth, Michael Hurwitz, Chunghi Choo, Mary Lee Hu, Dan Dailey, and Judith Schaechter.

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The Smithsonian Women's Committee uses the proceeds from its two signature events, the Smithsonian Craft Show and Craft2Wear, to support Smithsonian projects through its competitively awarded grants program.

The SWC has awarded 15 grants totaling almost **\$400,000** for 2025. These grants will benefit education, research, exhibitions, digitization, and accessibility in 11 Smithsonian museums, research centers, institutes, and offices. A complete list of grants awarded follows.

Grants For Education



National Museum of American History \$35,000 to support the establishment of a Classical Music Fellowship by the Smithsonian Chamber Music Society in an effort to reach new audiences and aid in transforming its young artists' National History Academy

National Museum of the American Indian

\$15,000 to support the design and printing of a classroom teaching poster featuring three important Native female leaders during the American Revolution, as part of the Smithsonian's 250th celebration of the United States

Anacostia Community Museum and National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute \$28,500 to provide stipends and seed money for a pilot professional development course for DC public school teachers in Wards 7 and 8 to teach theories and practices of nature play in urban environments



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Smithsonian Science Education Center

\$23,726 to develop an e-book, "Sustainable Indigenous Agricultural Practices," aimed at 11-13 year-olds, which will explore traditional agricultural techniques around the world, as part of the upcoming Smithsonian Science for Global Goals guide



National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute

\$17,645 to support an intern to help develop an educational website and materials explaining how NZCBI and SI save endangered turtles and their habitats, and how the public can play an essential role in this effort

Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute

\$29,200 to create a series of science "explainer" videos for social media platforms in Spanish and English for children ages 7-16, sparking curiosity and learning about topics such as the oceanic food chain and the architecture of leaf cutter ants

Grants For Research



National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute \$33,280 to fund cutting-edge genomic sequencing to analyze DNA methylation patterns and identify disease markers in wild and zoomanaged endangered Southern black rhinoceroses

National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute

\$25,000 to purchase a stereo microscope with imaging capabilities and upgrade the coral nursery and aquaculture facilities at the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology that will aid in cryopreserving live corals for gene banking and nursing sick corals to health

2025 GRANTS

Grants For Digitization and Accessibility



National Museum of Natural History

\$34,072 to fund the purchase of 3D Photogrammetry kit to digitize priority biological and cultural heritage collection items making important models accessible for researchers and students

National Museum of African Art \$29,776 to complete archival descriptions for 3,627 photos by Chief S.O. Alonge from the Collection of the Benin Kingdom (1920's-1980's) making this digitized cultural documentation accessible and to further the SI's Shared Stewardship and Ethical Returns Policy

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Grants For Exhibitions

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Smithsonian Gardens

\$15,000 to create a website to augment Smithsonian Gardens' upcoming campuswide exhibit, "Growing Tomorrow," providing deeper content and reaching audiences around the world



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By Marjorie Hunt Curator and Education Specialist Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage



"I'm shaping and setting stones with skills passed down through generations. The magnitude of it all constantly inspires me." Brianna Castelli



Above: Master stone carver Joseph Kincannon, the chair of architectural stone carving at the American College of the Building Arts in Charleston, South Carolina, is dedicated to teaching the next generation

of stone carvers in America. Photo by Andrew Cebulka, courtesy of the American College of the Building Arts. **Right:** Journeyman stone carver and mason Brianna Castelli carves a replacement stone for an earthquake-damaged pinnacle at Washington National Cathedral. Photo by Colin Winterbottom, courtesy Washington National Cathedral.

The SWC supported a project encouraging a new generation of artisans to explore traditional — and sometimes dying — crafts to keep them alive for future generations to appreciate: *American Artisans in the Traditional Building Crafts*. This multimedia digital exhibition is being created by the Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage.

Skilled craftspeople in the traditional building trades play a vital role in safeguarding our nation's built environment and cultural heritage. Through their knowledge and skill, their creativity and care, they help communities preserve historic places that hold memories, meaning, history, and identity. They create sustainable new architectural works of beauty and excellence that enrich us all. This crucial body of centuries-old traditional knowledge needs to be protected and passed on to future generations.

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American Artisans in the Traditional Building Crafts will be a far-reaching multimedia digital exhibition that highlights the extraordinary skill and artistry of a wide range of artisans and their contributions to our shared humanity. This celebration of craftsmanship, creativity, and culture seeks to be a catalyst for intergenerational exchange and inspire the next generation of craftspeople to learn, practice, and preserve these important trades.

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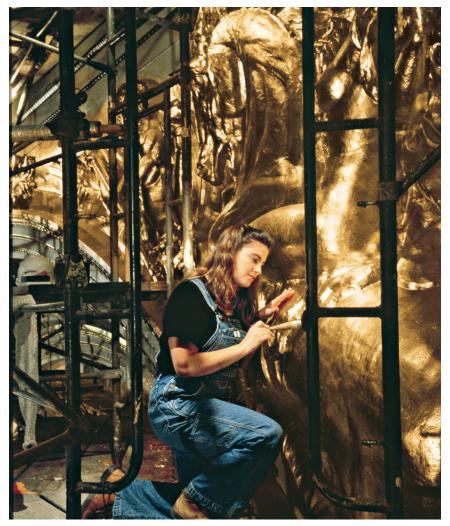
Left: Amy McAuley, preservation carpenter and restoration manager at George Washington's Mount Vernon, is renowned for her mastery of historic 18th century tools and techniques. Photo by Rebekah Hanover Pettit, courtesy of The Mount Vernon Ladies' Association.

Below: Master blacksmith Darryl Reeves and his apprentice Karina Roca work together to hand forge decorative ironwork for the restoration of an historic building. Photo by Jonn Hankins, courtesy of the New Orleans Master Crafts Guild.

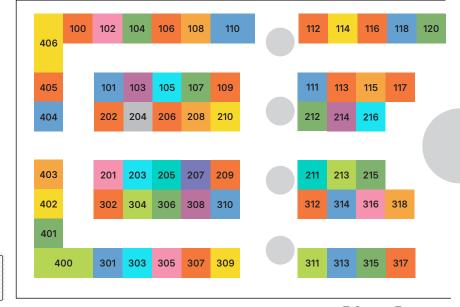


"All of the craftsmen, we're the maintenance men of history. We're keeping history alive."

Jeffrey Poree, Master plasterer, New Orleans, Master Crafts Guild



Second-generation decorative painter Jacqueline Canning Riccio uses traditional gold leaf and gilding methods to restore architectural elements at the War Memorial Opera House in San Francisco, California. Photo courtesy of John Canning & Co.



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Byers, Sandra Ceramics Booth 212



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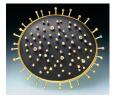


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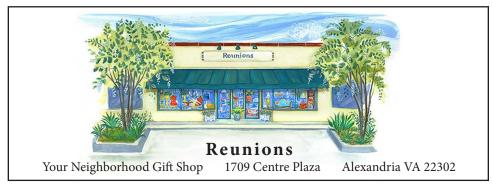
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Mingma, as an adult

Through my SWC grant research, I have become deeply invested in the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute (SCBI) in Front Royal, Virginia, and its work breeding endangered species in collaboration with zoo facilities throughout the world.

A standout effort is the Clouded Leopard Conservation Program at Khao Kheow Open Zoo in Chon Buri, Thailand, developed in partnership with SCBI. Given my love for clouded leopards and my interest in the Smithsonian's Species Survival Program (SSP), the Women's Committee honored my

tenure as its President with a donation, along with naming rights for a newborn clouded leopard in Thailand. Without hesitation, I chose my middle name, "Blossom."

A year later, after a trip to Nepal, I visited the Thai facility and was given an exclusive tour to observe the more than 30 clouded leopards, culminating in the unforgettable experience of holding my namesake, then just under six months old. Today, at age13, Blossom is thriving at Khao Kheow.

My commitment extended further in 2013 when I provided support for the construction of a new clouded leopard



Anne with Blossom at Chon Buri in 2011

enclosure at SCBI as part of the Smithsonian Institution's Capital Campaign. This came with another naming opportunity, and I chose "Mingma," in honor of my dear friend, Mingma Sherpa, who I had worked with in the Himalayas through WWF-US, and who was involved in wildlife conservation efforts, including the clouded leopard. Mingma tragically died in a helicopter accident in 2006. Now 12 years old, Mingma's namesake resides at the Toronto Zoo.

These experiences have reinforced my belief in the power of conservation. Thanks to institutions like SCBI and their global partners, clouded leopards and many other endangered species have a fighting chance for survival.



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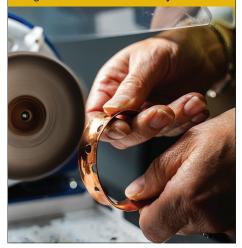
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