

# Joanna Close

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## Education

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- 2006 Master of Arts in Textile and Fibre Art with Distinction (Honours)  
Winchester School of Art, University of Southampton  
Winchester, United Kingdom
- 2004 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Major in Textiles  
NSCAD University  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

## Solo Exhibitions

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- 2009 Ross Creek Centre for the Arts, Canning, Nova Scotia
- 2007 Earth, Wind and Fibre Gallery, London - Wul Farm, Lakeburn, New Brunswick
- 2006 *Vital*, Masters Degree Exhibition, Winchester School of Art, Winchester, United Kingdom
- 2006 City of Moncton Gallery / Galerie Moncton, Lakeburn, New Brunswick
- 2004 Earth, Wind and Fibre Gallery, London - Wul Farm, Lakeburn, New Brunswick
- 2004 *woven landscapes, beets, carrots and cabbage oh my...* Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia

## Selected Group Exhibitions

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- 2010 *Laborious*, Harbour Front Center, Toronto, Ontario
- 2009 *Elemental Connections*, (Travelling Exhibition) Saskatchewan Crafts Council Gallery, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
- 2008 Dawson City Arts Society Fundraising Auction, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2008 Confluence Gallery, Members Show, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2008 *Elemental Connections*, (Travelling Exhibition) Alberta Crafts Council Gallery, Edmonton, Alberta
- 2008 *Elemental Connections*, (Travelling Exhibition) First Canadian Place, Toronto, Ontario
- 2008-2010 *The Sweetest Little Thing*, Valentine's Day Fundraiser at Struts Gallery, Sackville, New Brunswick
- 2007-2008 *Secret*, Ross Creek Center for the Arts Auction at Argyle Fine Art, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2007 Cape Jourimain *Eco Arts Festival* exhibitor, Cape Jourimain, New Brunswick
- 2007 Talisman Fibre Arts Inc. Presents, *and now for something completely different part II* at  
Not a Deli Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
- 2007 Dawson City Arts Society Members Show, Dawson City, Yukon Territory
- 2007 *Elemental Connections*, (Travelling Exhibition) Ontario Craft Council, Toronto, Ontario
- 2006 *Lausanne to Beijing 4th International Fiber Art Biennale*, Suzhou Art and Technology  
Institute Art Gallery, Suzhou, China
- 2006 *Art in Progress*, Winchester School of Art, Winchester, United Kingdom
- 2005 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Toronto, Ontario
- 2004 One of a Kind Show, Toronto, Ontario
- 2004 *NSCAD Emerging Artists*, Argyle Fine Art Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia

## Curated Exhibitions

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2009 *Contemporary Fibres, the art of J Penney Burton, Joanna Close, Margaret Forsey and Rilla Marshall*,  
Mary E Black Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia

## Professional Experience

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2009 - Present

Exhibitor at Seeds Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia

2008 - Present

Vendor and Member of Halifax Crafters, Halifax, Nova Scotia

2007 – Present

Permanent exhibitor at Handworks Gallery, Saint John, New Brunswick

2004 - Present

Proprietor of Joanna Close, art in fibre, Ammon, New Brunswick / Halifax, Nova Scotia

2007 – 2008

Production and Advertising Manager, Klondike Sun Newspaper, Dawson City, Yukon

2006 - 2007

Vendor at the Dieppe Farmers Market, Dieppe, New Brunswick

2002 – 2007

Dyer for Artist Deanne Fitzpatrick at By the Door Rug Hooking Studio, Amherst, Nova Scotia

## Teaching Experience

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January, 2009 - Present

Part Time Instructor, Textiles Department, NSCAD  
University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

June, 2009 - Present

Extended Studies Instructor, NSCAD University, Halifax,  
Nova Scotia

February, 2009 - Present

Instructor at the Nova Scotia Center for Craft and Design,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

January, 2009

Instructed Fibre Art workshop, London – Wul Farm,  
Econo Museum, Lakeburn, New Brunswick

September, 2008

Instructed Dye workshop, London – Wul Farm, Econo  
Museum, Lakeburn, New Brunswick

June, 2008

Instructed 'Working with wool' workshop (dyeing felting  
and spinning) at the Klondike Institute of Art and Culture,  
Dawson City, Yukon

March, 2008

Instructed Silkscreen printing workshop at the Klondike  
Institute of Art and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon

November, 2007

Instructed Bookbinding workshop at the Klondike Institute  
of Art and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon

November, 2007

Instructor for the Youth Art Enrichment Program, teaching  
textiles to high school art students from  
throughout Yukon Territory at the Klondike Institute of Art  
and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon

October, 2007

Instructed Natural Dye workshop at the Klondike Institute  
of Art and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon

June, 2007

Instructed felting workshop at the Klondike Institute of Art  
and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon

May, 2007

Instructed Dye workshop at London – Wul Farm, Econo  
Museum, Lakeburn, New Brunswick

January, 2007 – May, 2007

Private weaving instructor, Moncton, New Brunswick

September, 2005

Instructed Dye workshop at London – Wul Farm, Econo  
Museum, Lakeburn, New Brunswick

## Awards

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- 2008 Recipient of Arts NB Creation Grant
- 2007 Received Travel Grant from the Canada Council for the Arts
- 2005 Awarded International Study Grant from the University of Southampton.
- 2004 Awarded new artisan scholarship for the One of a Kind Show.

## Community

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- 2009-2010 Member of Eye Level Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2009-2010 Member of Halifax Crafters
- 2007-2010 Member of the Dawson City Arts Society, Klondike Institute of Art and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2006-2010 Member of CARFAC (Canadian Artists' Representation le Front des Artistes Canadiens)
- 2008 Confluence Gallery Volunteer, Dawson City Arts Society Members' Gallery, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2008 Member of Dawson City Curling Club
- 2008 Dawson City International Short Film Festival selections committee member, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2007 Volunteer for the Riverside Arts Fest, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2007-2008 Member of WWOOF Canada(World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms)
- 2006 Coordinator of *Vital*, Masters Degree Exhibition, Winchester School of Art, United Kingdom
- 2005-2010 Member of Struts Gallery, Artist Run Center, Sackville, New Brunswick.
- 2005-2010 Juried Member of the Nova Scotia Designer Craft Council.

## Artist Residencies

- 2007 Artist in residence, Klondike Institute of Art and Culture, Dawson City, Yukon

## Public Talks

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- 2010 NSCAD Textile department noon hour talk, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2009 NSCAD Textile department noon hour talk, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2008 KIAC- SOVA (Klondike Institute of Art and Culture – School of Visual Arts) public talk, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2007 KIAC (Klondike Institute of Art and Culture) Artist talk, Dawson City, Yukon

## Bibliography

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- 2009 Featured in *Things of Desire*, online weekly art magazine [thingsofdesire.ca](http://thingsofdesire.ca)
- 2008 Feature Artist in ATC Quarterly (Artist Trading Card Journal), Published in Dunvegan, Ontario