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**“THE RICHNESS AND DIVERSITY OF CONTEMPORARY WEAVING” TO EXHIBIT
WORKS BY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HANDWEAVERS’ GUILD**

On display at the Old Town Newhall Library starting September 28

Explore the many diverse and modern styles of woven art at the new curated exhibit, **“The Richness and Diversity of Contemporary Weaving,”** showcasing works such as one-of-a-kind wearables, wall décor and vessels, created by members of the **Southern California Handweavers’ Guild**. The free exhibit is on display starting **Friday, September 28, 2018**, in the Community Room at the Old Town Newhall Library, located at 24500 Main Street in Newhall.

Fiber enthusiasts of all levels are invited to participate in the following free events:

- **Artist Reception** – On Wednesday, October 3, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., the exhibit will be celebrated with light appetizers, live music and a chance for the public to meet the talented artists behind the pieces featured in the exhibit.
- **Demonstration Day** – On Saturday, November 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the Southern California Handweavers’ Guild will be setting up their looms and presenting demonstrations of various weaving techniques. Stop by to try your hand at weaving, or visit their pop-up boutique to purchase a unique hand woven piece!

For centuries, the technique of weaving has been practiced for clothing, utilitarian and decorative purposes. “The wall hangings in this exhibit, woven entirely by members of the Southern California Handweavers’ Guild, are our modern take on this ancient skill,” says Nicki Bair and Karen Leckart, jurors of the exhibit. “Weavers are unique in that what brings them together is the tactile sensation derived from the fibers they select and the structures they create on their looms.” “Some weavers used a classic

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plain weave structure and made it shine with color and texture. Others use simple thread and a complex structure for their inspiration to come alive. Each piece is a unique combination of fiber, structure and inspiration.”

The Southern California Handweavers’ Guild was founded in 1946 to advance the knowledge and practice of hand weaving and textile-related crafts. The guild welcomes all fiber enthusiasts of any level. To learn more about the Southern California Handweavers’ Guild, please visit schg.org.

The exhibit will be on display until January 18, 2019. For more information regarding the art exhibit, please contact Jeff Barber at jbarber@santa-clarita.com. For information regarding all City art happenings, please visit SantaClaritaArts.com.

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