

The Shibori Road

The Festival of Quilts Birmingham NEC 17th - 20th August 2006

This year the World Shibori Network is proud to present the "Shibori Road", a collection of shibori exhibitions, demonstrations, and lectures by British and overseas shibori artists.



WSN Exhibition Stand Knitting & Stitching Show 2005
Featuring work by Vivien Prideaux & Jane Callender

Stand E29 – Aranya Natural Dye Unit - A TaTa Tea Welfare Project

Ratna Krishna Kumar and Victoria Vijayakumar

Exhibition and sales of shibori and batik naturally dyed fabrics.

Behind the success of Aranya, are Physically challenged young adults, from the families of Tata Tea's own workers. These young people are educated and rehabilitated at a Vocational Training Centre managed by the women of Munnar. And the young wards have shown exemplary determination in their endeavour to achieve economic self-sufficiency through self-employment projects like Aranya.

www.aranyanatural.com

Stand L5 – World Shibori Network Exhibition

Featuring Yoshiko Wada (president of WSN-World, and widely respected author of "Shibori: The Inventive Art of Japanese Shaped Resist Dyeing and "Memory On Cloth: Shibori Now")

With Hiroyuki Murase and Emma Brown.

Exhibition and demonstrations.

Sales of shibori fabrics, books, and shibori fashion items.

Also: For Yoshiko Wada's full programme see lecture and demonstration details.

Featured artists:-

Junichi Arai (Japan), Emma Brown (UK), Judith Content (USA), Jane Callender (UK), Lee Creswell (UK), Janice Gunner (UK), Joanne Harris (UK), Ana Lisa Hedstrom (USA), Hiroshi Murase (Japan), Vivien Prideaux (UK)

www.shibori.org

Stand L4 - Michelle Griffiths (World Shibori Network Rep UK/Ireland)

Sculptural textiles produced from traditional and contemporary shibori techniques. Fine art through to fabrics for fashion and interiors. Michelle was awarded an Embroiderers Guild Scholarship in 2001, and has since visited Japan on three separate study tours researching shibori techniques. Michelle will be demonstrating a variety of shibori techniques on her stand, which will also feature a variety of pieces from her own shibori collection. Lecture and workshop bookings taken. Visit Michelle for information regarding the ongoing children's/student's shibori project run in conjunction with Arimatsu shibori artisan Hiroshi Murase. Michelle will be demonstrating indigo dyeing in the "Virtual Studio" - see details below. www.shibori.co.uk

Stand L3 – Jane Callender "Callishibori"

A stitch specialist and indigo dyer, her textiles on display show a wide range of shibori methods, both traditional and innovative and incorporate many complimentary textile skills and dyes.

Amongst her expanding range of Callishibori products you will find indigo vat packs from two pints to two gallons, shibori packs, the ever popular 'seriously strong thread', indigo beads, and her new shibori templates, all of which can also be found on her website.

Jane Callender has a small indigo vat at her stand and is demonstrating indigo dyeing, and the Itajime technique (in miniature!), - see the magic!

www.callishibori.co.uk

Stand L2 – Joanne Harris “Ai Interior Fabrics”

Jo Harris will be exhibiting contemporary natural indigo interior textiles produced on natural fabrics sourced from Japan. Also on view will be a display of images and text from her indigo / shibori research in Japan. She will be demonstrating and discussing a series of various shibori tied / indigo dyed pieces. Many of these will be opened in front of the public exemplifying the intricacy of the tying process and the patterns produced from certain shibori techniques. Traditional and contemporary techniques will be represented.

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Lectures by Yoshiko Wada

Wada is the president of World Shibori Network -World and prominent author of several shibori books.

Booking Ref.	Date	Time	Title	Cost	Place
278	Fri 18 th Aug	4.30 – 5.30 pm	Memory On Cloth	£5.00	84
279	Sat 19 th Aug	4.30 – 5.30 pm	Shibori and Natural Dyeing	£5.00	91

For bookings and further information: www.twistedthread.com/festivalofquilts/academy.asp and select Friday or Saturday

The “Shibori Road” at the “Virtual Studio”

The “Virtual Studio” is the result of a partnership between Claire Benn and Leslie Morgan of Committed To Cloth. Here the public have the opportunity to observe artists dyeing, printing or discharging cloth.

Date	Time	Artist	Description
Fri 18 th Aug	1.30 – 5.30	Yoshiko Wada with artists from Aranya natural dye unit	Tea Dyeing (Possibly also indigo dyeing)
Sat 19 th Aug	9.30 – 1.30	Yoshiko Wada with artists from Aranya natural dye unit	Tea Dyeing (Possibly also indigo dyeing)
Sun 20 th Aug	9.30 – 1.30	Michelle Griffiths	Indigo dyeing

For further information concerning the “Virtual Studio” visit www.committed-to-cloth.com/home/