

# PIECEWORK.

MAGAZINE PRESENTS



## *Excellence in Needle Arts Awards*

Our contest for the 2008 *PieceWork* Magazine Presents the Excellence in Needle Arts Awards—Pincushions was outstanding! The number of entries far exceeded our expectation (so much so that we had to expand our rounds of blind judging [in which the names of the makers are not revealed until judging is complete] to four), and we were thrilled with the technical expertise and creativity of each entry. In addition to the grand prize and first-place prizes in seven categories, we selected seven pincushions for honorable mentions and twenty-nine others to be included in an exhibition of the pincushions at Embroiderers' Guild of America headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky, from August 1 through November 30, 2008. For information, visit [www.egausa.org](http://www.egausa.org) or call (502) 589-6956.

Sincere thanks to each entrant and our generous sponsors. Our grand-prize winner received \$500; first-place category winners received \$200 in product; and honorable mentions received a one-year subscription to *PieceWork*.

Here are the winners and the other pincushions that will be on display at Embroiderers' Guild of America headquarters. Enjoy!

# Grand Prize



Sponsored by The National NeedleArts Association

Charlotte DeVere    Leechburg, PA



*Raspberry Truffle Tuffet* by Charlotte DeVere. Cross-stitched, beaded, embroidered. Cotton and silk floss, beads, linen/cotton fabric.

# First-Place Winners



## First Place, Knit or Crochet

Sponsored by Plymouth Yarn Company



Maureen McGinnis Patterson      Roseburg, OR

*Grandma's Knitting Bag* by Maureen McGinnis Patterson. Knitted.  
Wool yarn, wood, wire frame.



## First Place, Cross-Stitch

Sponsored by DMC



Dawn Borrer      Hilliard, OH

*Maue Renaissance* by Dawn Borrer. Cross-stitched,  
bobbin lace. Cotton floss and thread, linen fabric.



*First Place,  
Embroidery*

Sponsored by The Caron Collection

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collection

Charlotte DeVere      Leechburg, PA

Queen-Stitch Pinball by Charlotte DeVere.  
Embroidered. Silk floss, linen fabric, purchased frame,  
charms.



*First Place,  
Tatting or Lacemaking*

Sponsored by Presencia



Susan L. Keenan      Blairstown, NJ

*The Yin-Yang Pincushion* by Susan L. Keenan. Tatted; embroidered.  
Cotton floss and thread; felt; beads.



*First Place,  
Quilting*

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Kim Stenehjelm Fargo, ND

*The Blue Lagoon* by Kim Stenehjelm. Crazy-quilted. Beads, pearls, crystals, shells; silk, silk velvet, brocade fabrics; sequins; silk ribbon; cotton floss.



*First Place,  
Needlepoint*

Sponsored by Zweigart



Bente Carlsson Hayward, CA

*Pincushion* by Bente Carlsson. Needlepointed. Cotton and metallic floss, linen fabric.



*First Place,  
Next Generation  
Embroiderer*

(between the ages of 15 and 25)

Sponsored by Sublime Stitching



Amanda Tuck Amboy, WA

*Hibiscus-Delicate Beauty* by Amanda Tuck. Embroidered.  
Cotton floss, linen fabric.

# Honorable Mentions



Marie-José Clermont  
Montreal, QC, Canada  
Honorable Mention: *Valentine Special* by Marie-José Clermont. Cross-stitched. Cotton floss, linen fabric.



Patricia Eaton  
Searcy, AR  
Honorable Mention: *Home Sweet Home* by Patricia Eaton. Embroidered, appliquéd. Cotton floss; silk ribbon; beads; cotton, silk, velveteen fabrics.



Natalie Hart  
Albany, NY  
Honorable Mention: *Camel* by Natalie Hart. Stumpwork. Cotton thread, felt, casting.



Christine Heinicke  
Glen Ridge, NJ  
Honorable Mention: *Patchwork Tapestry Sampler* by Christine Heinicke. Needlepointed. Cotton floss, linen fabric, beads.



Yoshie Marubashi  
New York, NY  
Honorable Mention: *Pinburger* by Yoshie Marubashi. Bead-crocheted. Cotton thread, beads.



Sue Petersen  
Albuquerque, NM  
Honorable Mention: *Hedgehog* by Sue Petersen. Tatted. Cotton threads, beads.



Kimberly S. Wiley  
Willow Grove, PA  
Honorable Mention: *Sprouting Savvy* by Kimberly S. Wiley. Quilted. Cotton fabrics, thread. Pineapples in the Garden pattern from *Favorite Foundation-Pieced Minis* (Montrose, Pennsylvania: Chitra Publications, 1997).

## Included in the Exhibition



Cynthia Anderson  
Temecula, CA  
*Gypsy Queen* by Cynthia Anderson. Felted, embroidered. Wool roving, handspun silk, beads, charms.



Kim Beamish  
Severn Bridge, ON, Canada  
*Lacy Edge Hardanger* by Kim Beamish. Embroidered. Cotton floss, cotton fabric.



Jan Blevins  
Dallas, TX  
*Tussie Mussie Bouquet* by Jan Blevins. Embroidered. Silk ribbon, silk floss, braid, silk fabric.



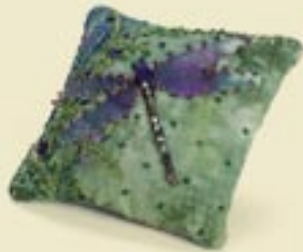
Christen Brown  
San Diego, CA  
*Silk Petit Four* by Christen Brown. Embroidered. Silk ribbons, bias ribbons, picot-edged ribbons; silk, linen, cotton floss; silk thread; silk fabric.



Joan Leahy Blanchard  
West Townsend, MA  
*Stars* by Joan Leahy Blanchard; based on a Victorian-era pincushion. Embroidered. Cotton fabrics, cotton floss, beads, cardboard.



Margaret Brinkman,  
Indian Lake, NY  
Pincushion and needle holder by Margaret Brinkman. Cross-stitched. Cotton floss, cotton/rayon fabric, paint, cherry burl wood.



Dru Cabral  
 South Lake Tahoe, CA  
*Dragonfly* by Dru Cabral.  
 Embroidered. Silk ribbons;  
 silk threads; cotton floss;  
 beads; cotton fabric.



Melanie Dunham  
 Ironton, MO  
*Just Sticking Around* by Melanie  
 Dunham. Pieced, embroidered.  
 Cotton fabrics, wool felt, cotton  
 floss, beads, wire.



Susan Eggleston  
 Sherman, TX  
*The Wedding* by Susan Eggleston.  
 Embroidered. Cotton thread,  
 beads, wool felt.



Stacy Cooper Clark  
 Chalfont, PA  
*To the Victor Goes the Spool* by Stacy Cooper Clark.  
 Mixed media. Silk thread; silk ribbon; cotton floss,  
 cotton and satin fabrics; beads. The accompanying  
 book tells the pincushion character's story.



Amber Krueger  
 Hibbing, MN  
*Baby Grand Piano* by Amber  
 Krueger. Knitted. Cotton thread.



Sister Monika Ellis, OSB  
 Lacey, WA  
*Ponder* by Sister Monika Ellis, OSB.  
 Knitted, needle-felted. Handspun wool  
 and silk and lamb's wool yarn.



LouAnn Hall  
 Tacoma, WA  
*Pierce the Pufferfish* by LouAnn Hall.  
 Embroidered. Beads; cotton and  
 Ultrasuede fabrics.



R. Paulette Lancaster

Carmel, IN

*Lancaster Cottage* by R. Paulette Lancaster. Embroidered. Cotton floss, ribbon, thread, cotton fabrics.



Therese Magnani

Valencia, CA

*Spring Dreams* by Therese Magnani. Crocheted, needle-felted, embroidered. Cotton and linen thread; cotton floss; wool roving; feathers.



Gretchen Miller

Raleigh, NC

*Pincushion*<sup>3</sup> by Gretchen Miller on a wooden base with 10 holes designed to hold floss and a ruler/layout tool. Tatted. Cotton thread, silk fabric, bird's-eye maple.



Eva Mergen

Willow Grove, PA

*Pincushion* by Eva Mergen. Embroidered, needle-felted. Wool floss, roving, and felt; ribbon; cotton canvas.



Maureen McGinnis Patterson

Roseburg, OR

*Flowers* by Maureen McGinnis Patterson (finger pincushion). Embroidered. Cotton floss, upholstery thread, beads, Ultrasuede fabric.



DeAnn Miller

St. Charles, IL

*Pincushion* by DeAnn Miller. Embroidered, pieced. Cotton fabric, beads.



Yoshie Marubashi

New York, NY

*My Back Yard* by Yoshie Marubashi (cuff pincushion). Bead-crocheted. Cotton yarn, beads, polymer clay buttons, Ultrasuede fabric.



Janet Wade  
Oakdale, CA  
Hardanger pincushion by Janet Wade.  
Embroidered. Cotton floss; silk and  
linen fabrics.



Lee Ann Quigley  
Eules, TX  
Pincushion by Lee Ann Quigley.  
Embroidered. Cotton floss, beads,  
velvet fabric.



Lee Ann Quigley  
Eules, TX  
Pincushion by Lee Ann Quigley.  
Cross-stitched. Cotton floss, beads,  
cotton fabric.



Laura Van De Moortele  
Cornelius, OR  
*Tunisian Quilt* by Laura Van De Moortele.  
Tunisian-crocheted and pieced (front),  
knitted (back). Cotton thread, muslin  
fabric.



Jing Wu  
Monmouth Junction, NJ  
Vase pincushion by Jing Wu.  
Tapestry-crocheted.  
Cotton thread.



Diane Willett  
Grandville, MI  
Chatelaine pincushion by Diane  
Willett. Knitted. Metallic thread,  
velveteen fabric.



Nita Schwenn  
Seal Beach, CA  
*Polly* by Nita Schwenn. Needle-felted,  
tatted. Wool fabric, beads, cotton  
thread, silk ribbon.



Lee Ann Quigley  
Eules, TX  
Pincushion by Lee Ann Quigley.  
Embroidered, appliquéd. Cotton  
floss, beads, felt.