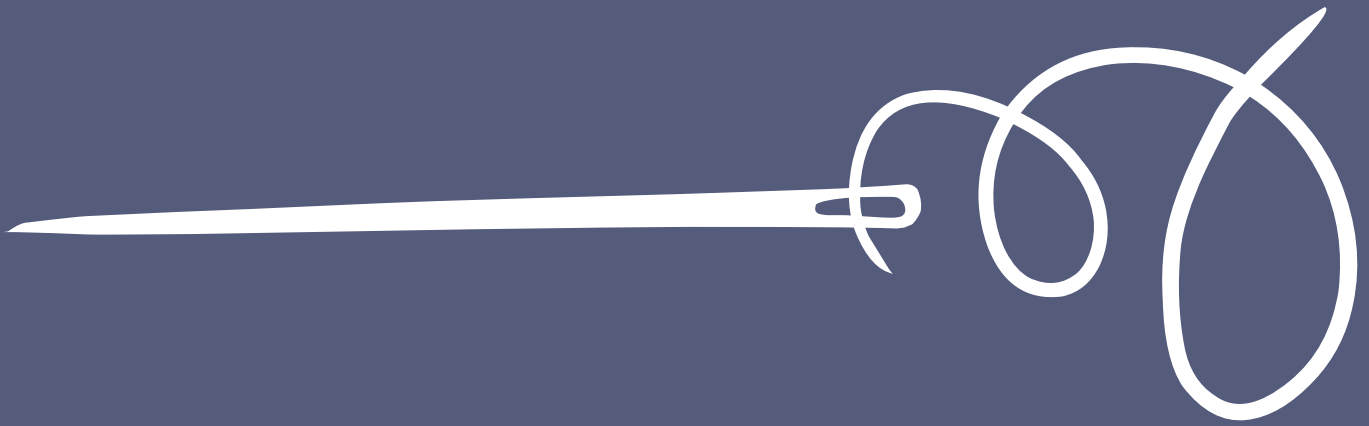


Lasting Threads

Stories Woven for a Sustainable World



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Textile Competition 2026/7

Lasting Threads invites you to explore sustainability in textiles through material, process, and meaning.

You are encouraged to consider how textiles can embody longevity, responsibility, and storytelling. Your work may respond to environmental concerns, cultural traditions, personal narratives, or innovative approaches to sustainable design.

What to Consider

Entries may explore:

- Sustainable or recycled materials
- Natural dyes and low-impact processes
- Repair, reuse, and upcycling
- The lifecycle of textiles
(production → use → reuse)
- Cultural heritage and traditional techniques
- Emotional durability and personal connection
- Environmental or social impact of textiles

Responses can be literal or abstract—
creativity and originality are encouraged.

Eligible Work

Open to artists and students working in textiles or
textile-related media

Includes (but not limited to):

- Weaving, knitting, embroidery, felting
- Mixed media textiles
- Textile-based sculpture or installation
- Fashion or wearable pieces

Work must be original and created within the last
year.

Specifications

Submitted artworks must adhere to the following specifications:

- Artwork must be original and created by the submitting artist (group artworks are not accepted).
- Artwork composition must be at least 75% textiles.
- Artwork can be any size up to 80cm (width) x 120cm (height).
- All 2D artworks should be properly framed and strung ready for hanging, or contain a 4-inch hanging sleeve sewn into the back of the artwork.
- Sculptures and 3D artworks should be stable and safe for exhibition.
- Maximum weight 10 kg (including frame)

Submission Requirements

Please include:

- Artist name and contact details
- Title of work
- Materials and techniques used
- Short statement (100–200 words) explaining how your work responds to the theme
- Images of the work (good quality, clearly showing detail)

Textile Competition

Application to enter the competition will open
Tuesday 1 September 2026 and close
Thursday 7 January 2027.
Competition exhibition Spring 2027.

Submission fee £20 per entry.
You can apply online at
www.farfieldmill.org/textile-competition.

Submissions are open to artists of all
backgrounds and levels of experience.
Artists must be over the age of 16.

1st Prize: £750
2nd Prize: £500
People's Choice: £250



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