

Claire Cawte CV

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Profile: Claire is a freelance textile artist specialising in felt making and natural dyes and has exhibited her work both nationally and internationally. Claire is experienced in teaching, artist in residencies and working to commission. She has successfully completed a range of artist in residence projects, from design and making to facilitating and exhibition of work in galleries and public places.

Claire is an educator and workshop facilitator with experience of working in primary and secondary schools, colleges, secure units, hospitals, and the wider community.

Claire has been an active member of Craft in the Bay for the past ten years having gained extensive experience on various committees including gallery review, education and exhibition, and the selection panel. Claire is involved directly with education and exhibitions, assisting and shadowing the officer in their role of curating, researching and planning for exhibitions. This has led on to the co-curation of exhibitions with MaP textile group and artist in residency exhibition projects. Claire regularly participates in Craft Fairs throughout the UK presenting and selling her work.

Education & Employment

2007-2009 PGCE (FE) University of Wales Institute, Cardiff

2001-2004 BA (Hons) Cardiff Contemporary Textile Practice, University of Wales Institute, Cardiff

1999-2000 Access to Art & Design Diploma

1998 - Sage Accounts Certification, level one, distinction

1996-1997 Cwrs Cyfansawdd Mudiad Ysgolion Meirthin, Playgroup Play Leader Course (OCN) Coleg Glan Hafren Cardiff

Awards & Achievements

Arts Council of Wales Project Development Grant Award 2010

Arts Council of Wales Small Business Grant Award 2005

Ruthin Craft Centre, Interface, solo exhibition, Oriel 8 2005

DKNY Bond Street, London, Fresh New Talent Exhibition, Highly commended by DKNY 2004

DKNY 'Selected', London & New York (collection shortlisted) 2005

New Designers Islington, Awarded 'Fresh New Talent' selected by DKNY (Donna Karan New York) 2004

Societies

Partner of Wool Campaign HRH Prince Charles

Board member for Education and Exhibitions at Craft in the Bay

Board Member Trustee at Llantarnam Grange Art Centre

Makers Guild in Wales –Craft in the Bay 2005

MaP textile group (Makers & Practitioners) 2005

International Felt Makers Association 2007

Oriel Makers 2009

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Selected Exhibitions

2015

Makers Exchange, New Brewery Arts Centre Cirencester, January
Pinnies from Heaven, Llantarnam Grange Arts Centre, February
Anniversary, Unit Twelve Staffordshire, March
Darker Side of Felt, National Centre for Craft and Design, touring

2014

Emporium, New Brewery Arts Centre Cirencester, November
Darker Side of Felt, National Centre for Craft and Design, touring Sleaford, London, Dublin,
Harrogate, Wolverhampton, Oldham, Clitheroe
Pinnies from Heaven, Craft in the Bay

2013

UTILITY, Craft in the Bay
Material Connections, Craft in the Bay
Horizons - Walford Mill Crafts
Art Craft, Arts Collective, Cardiff
La Rencontre/The Meeting Touring Exhibition, MaP & Diagonale, Arts Diagonal, Quebec

2012

Christmas Treasure, Bonhoga Gallery, Shetland
Summer Open Exhibition, Craft in the Bay
The Welsh Makers, Walford Mill Crafts, Dorset
The Wall Gallery, Newport University, MaP Group
'In Conversation' with Becky Adams at Llantarnam Grange Arts Centre
La Rencontre/The Meeting ~ Touring Exhibitions, MaP & Diagonale, Textile Museum,
Montreal, Canada

2011

Running Stitch Exhibition by invitation with Becky Adams, Ruth Harries at Llantarnam
Grange Arts
Material Connections, Collaboration with Anne Gibbs, Craft in the Bay
Festival of Quilts at NEC, MaP Textile Group
Roman Heritage, Roman Legion Museum, Caerleon
Roman Heritage, Fringe Arts Bath
Summer Open Exhibition, Craft in the Bay, Makers Guild in Wales
La Rencontre/The Meeting ~ Four Languages , One Passion MaP & Diagonale, Textile
Museum, Montreal, Canada

2010

Totally Textiles, Oriel Ynys Mon, Anglesey
Fibre in the Open, Melin Medi, Dryfelin Felindre
Exposed Fibre Arts Wales, National Botanical Gardens, Carmarthen
Textile Extravagance, Carmarthen Centre for Crafts
Enchanted Heritage, Llantarnam Grange Arts Centre
Fibre Voices, Beverly Art Gallery, Lincolnshire
Journeys, Ruthin and Buckley Library Galleries, North Wales

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Teaching & Workshops

Activity specialist at Atlantic College St Donat's United World College, Ethical Felt & Fashion Module

Role Model, Big Ideas Wales, Dynamo youth entrepreneurship programme, Welsh Assembly Government

Recent workshops

2014

Craft in the Bay, Feltmaking Christmas Decorations

Not Necessarily Sew Textile group, Forming Felt & Plant Dye

Gwent Embroiders Group, Nuno Felt Sculpted Scarf

Craft in the Bay, Nuno Felt Scarf,

Craft in the Bay, Eco Print Plant dyeing

Craft in the Bay, Whitchurch High School creative days, felt making & plant dye, two days

2013

Craft in the Bay, Christmas Felts

Model House Craft Gallery, IFA International Felt Makers, Print Plant Dye, two days

Craft in the Bay, Nuno Felt Scarf

Craft in the Bay, Eco Print Plant Dyes, two days

Blaenafon Primary School, felt mural sea creatures collage, two days

2012

Craft in the Bay, Bespoke Cloth

Ruthin Craft Centre, Exploring Plant Dyes

Craft in the Bay, Natural Plant dyeing, two days

Llantarnam Grange Arts Centre, Memories on Cloth

Craft in the Bay, Experimental Felt Making

2011

Howells School for Girls, Sea Side Collage, Nuno felt

INSET – Creative Wales, Nuno Felt Textures, Craft in the Bay

Lewis School for Girls, Nuno Felt Tactile Surface

Craft in the Bay, Plant Dye workshop

Craft in the Bay, Experimental Felt workshop

Ruthin Craft Centre, Exploring Plant Dye workshop

Craft in the Bay, Hand Felt Flowers

Craft in the Bay, Experimental Felt, two days

Fibre Craft Textile Group, Neath, Exploring Felt & Fibre

INSET - Creative Wales, Nuno Felt & Fabric Manipulation, two days

Craft in the Bay, Ornamental Felt Bag, two days

Llanederyn Primary School, Down on the Farm, hand felt collage, exhibited at Craft in the Bay

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Residencies

2013

CASTELL COCH & FOUR SEASONS - Ysgol Yr Wern Primary School, Cardiff. co-ordinate and facilitate design, making and installation of five site specific hand felted collages. One design of Castel Coch 3mx1.5m and four each representing the seasons

2013

ST DAVIDS DAY - Ysgol Gynfun Bro Morgannwg, Barry. Working with year Co-ordinate and facilitate design, making and presentation of a felted banner representing land marks in the Vale of Glamorgan. Used annually for a St David's Day Parade, Cardiff

2009-2012

START primary schools project introducing craft skills to a younger audience, Kitchener Road, Baden Powell, Oakfield and Mount Stuart Primary were involved and sponsored by The Prince's Trust, Exhibited at Craft in the Bay

2011

ON REFLECTION - Ruthin Craft Centre Denbighshire, research & development residency

2011

FELT FEELINGS - Meadow Bank Primary Special School, four days making felt pages & felt book focused around feelings. Funded by The Earnest Cook Trust

2007-2009

SPARK Igniting Children's Creativity, working with five selected primary schools in Newport involved with making felt collages themed on The Environment. Funded by Provident Financial Services and exhibited at The Riverfront Arts Centre Newport

2008

COAST - five day residency community project exploring landmarks of the Jersey coast collating fabric manipulation and felt for collages exhibited at Art in the Frame gallery, Jersey

Commissions

2010 Alice Kettle private collection

2007 Audrey Walker MBE private collection

Publications & Magazines

2014 **Pinnies from Heaven** publication

2010 Diagonal 02 - la rencontre~yr Carfarfod~the meeting ~nitú natshiskuataw

2009 **10: Celebrating ten years of Fibre Art Wales** book

2006 BUZZ Unusual Wishes - Christmas Arts & Craft feature

2006 **The Meeting** * La Rencontre * Y Cyfarfod- Makers & Practitioners publication

2004 Worth Global Style Network - New Designers 'Fresh New Talent' of **DKNY**

2004 **Crafts** invited to feature in accessories supplement Sept/Oct