

## UPSTAIRS GALLERY BERKHAMSTED

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## FROM THE EARTH TEXTILES

### Call for submissions for 'Roots Shoots and Leaves'

### An exhibition in 'Celebration of Eco Textiles'

July 18<sup>th</sup> - August 5<sup>th</sup> 2017

Artists working with natural fibres, natural colours and natural mark making techniques are invited to explore the theme 'Plants and more' for the 2<sup>nd</sup> From the Earth exhibition to be held at the Upstairs Gallery Berkhamsted from 18<sup>th</sup> July-5<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Work for the exhibition should be made from natural fibres (or upcycled materials) dyed and/or printed with natural products and constructed in anyway. We would particularly welcome 3D work. We would like to encourage work from artists with different levels of experience. Work will be selected by a team from:- From the Earth and the Upstairs Gallery.

We are also looking for exhibitors with smaller items for sale within the exhibition for our display cabinets and shelves. Please email the gallery for more information.

[upstairsgalleryberkhamsted@gmail.com](mailto:upstairsgalleryberkhamsted@gmail.com)

All work will be offered for sale unless otherwise arranged with the gallery.

Our criteria for selection includes: creative interpretation, artistic integrity, quality of execution, and quality of presentation. We will also consider how the work fits together as a whole with other submissions (both aesthetically and in terms of space/weight balance)

No artificial colours or fabrics will be allowed.

**Presentation:** Work must be framed to a professional standard.. We stress the importance of this as poor presentation reflects on both the artist and the gallery and has a negative effect on sales. All frames must have D rings to each side 3 inches from the top. If unframed or a quilt please use a hanging sleeve with a baton and screw eyes in each end. We reserve the right to refuse work which we consider inadequately presented. All work is expected to be offered for sale unless otherwise agreed.

Artists wishing to submit work are requested to email jpeg images of work to the gallery email -: [upstairsgalleryberkhamsted@gmail.com](mailto:upstairsgalleryberkhamsted@gmail.com) (attn. Roots, shoots and leaves) and [fromtheearthtextiles@gmail.com](mailto:fromtheearthtextiles@gmail.com) by May 30<sup>th</sup> 2017. Artists will be informed of their decision by June 6th 2017

Please title your jpeg images with your name followed by the title of the work. Please list the works you are submitting in the email with the medium, price and size of each work and if you would like to make a short artists statement about the work please do so.

A display fee of £15 per piece will be charged for pieces with largest dimension up to 1m. There will be a charge of £20 for those pieces with sizes over 1m.

The gallery will take a 20% commission on any sale. Accepted artists will also be permitted to sell 2 pieces of browser work (along similar lines to their exhibited pieces) and up to 10 hand- made greeting cards.

Exhibitors will be responsible for the insurance and delivery of their work, details of delivery dates and pick-up dates will be available on the website.

For those exhibitors living further away, we can return work by post or/ courier on receipt of appropriate costs.

Further information and details of accompanying workshops will be available on the websites.

## **DATES:**

**Submission Deadline : - May 30<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**Decision Deadline: - June 6<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**Delivery to Gallery: Monday July16th – 10-1pm**

**Postal deliveries by arrangement by Friday July 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Pick-up date**

**Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 2-4pm**