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Art Tile Exhibit Illustrates the Textile Heritage of South Carolina

(Simpsonville, SC)— The Tile Council of North America (TCNA) welcomes the public to attend the festive opening reception of the [Tile Heritage Foundation](#)'s exhibit, **TexTILES**, December 1, 2023, 6–9 pm at [No. 3 Pottery](#), 105 S. Maple Street, Simpsonville, SC 29681.

TexTILES is a juried exhibition and sale that explores contemporary tile making. A national call for entries was issued in June for artists to submit new works using ceramic tile, ceramic mosaic, or glazed brick to reflect the artists' interpretation of the complex history of the textile industry in South Carolina, once known as the Textile Capital of the World. Internationally recognized ceramists and educators of Clemson University, Valerie Zimany and Daniel Bare, served as jurors to award over \$3,000 in prizes.

"This exhibition showcases tile artisans from across the country in an exhibition unique to South Carolina," remarked Sheila Menzies of the Tile Heritage Foundation. "We are fortunate to display the exhibition in the upstate within a historic mill community, such as Simpsonville."

Participating tile artisans include nationally acclaimed artists such as [Sherri Warner Hunter](#), [Janet Kozachek](#), and [Susan Tunick](#). An additional piece in the show was made from an original design by Henry Chapman Mercer, compliments of [TileWorks](#) Executive Director, ceramist and mosaic artist, [Katia McGuirk](#).

The TexTILES exhibition and sale opening will include refreshments by [Charcuterthree](#) and a visitor from the North Pole! The public is encouraged to attend this free event and kick off the holiday season Friday, December 1, 2023, 6–9 pm. The exhibition will run December 1-30, 2023, Wednesday through Saturday, 11 am–5 pm, at No. 3 Pottery, 105 S. Maple Street, Simpsonville, SC 29681 (no admission fee). In addition, the exhibition and sale will have a virtual on-line catalog from December 1-30, 2023.

The TexTILES exhibition and sale benefits the Tile Heritage Foundation, the participating artists, and No. 3 Pottery.

Generous local and national sponsors for the exhibition include [TCNA](#), the [Simpsonville Arts Foundation](#), [Laticrete](#), [Heritage Marble & Tile](#), [Material Bespoke Stone and Tile](#), [Merola Tile](#), and [NS Ceramic](#).

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About the Tile Heritage Foundation

The Tile Heritage Foundation, founded in 1987 as a nonprofit charitable organization, is dedicated to promoting an awareness and appreciation of ceramic surfaces in the United States. The Foundation serves the need for a historical perspective regarding all ceramic surfacing materials, both past and present. In addition to aiding in the education of the public about the rich and varied history of tile, the organization has become a major voice in the preservation of existing installations of rare and unusual ceramic surfaces while enhancing the visibility of contemporary tile work as well.

About Tile Council of North America (TCNA)

TCNA is a trade association representing manufacturers of ceramic tile, tile installation materials, tile equipment, raw materials and other tile-related products. Established in 1945 as the Tile Council of America (TCA), it became the Tile Council of North America (TCNA) in 2005, reflecting its membership expansion to all of North America.

The Tile Council is recognized for its leadership role in facilitating the development of North American and international industry quality standards to benefit tile consumers. Additionally, TCNA regularly conducts independent research and product testing, works with regulatory, trade, and other government agencies, and publishes installation guidelines, tile standards, economic reports, and promotional literature.

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