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THE FABRIC OF YOUR LIFE





Faye Pearce, faye_fashion@hotmail.com

We spotted Faye Pearce's quirky illustrations and light, airy style at the RCA's **Great Exhibition 2007** and were inspired. Now it's your turn to scour for fresh talent at **New Designers: Part 1 (including textiles and fashion), Business Design Centre, 52 Upper Street, London N1, 5-8 July** www.newdesigners.com



SEE... **The Perfect** Freddie Robbins is a self confessed perfectionist. She does enjoy imperfection - as long as it is not her own. Her latest exhibition features life-size knitted figures made using technology developed to

HAPPY DAYS

It's refreshing to take a break, escape what we know and explore other possibilities... a holiday opens our eyes. For those of you destined for distant shores this summer, don't forget to take inspiration from the other 'worlds' you discover and the textiles therein. A tiny showroom in a quiet, cobbled backstreet could be your epiphany. One such discovery is the embroidery of the island of Angra do Heroismo in the Azores www.acorbordados.com where 300 embroiderers work in their own homes on fine linen in traditional designs to create furnishing fabrics and household linen. More than a souvenir, you could bring back the real spirit of a place...

If a prize existed for imaginative shop names then these people would win hands down... **Tobias and the Angel** is more redolent of a verse in the bible than a retail outlets. They offer everything from balls of string to antique Staffordshire jugs. With a passion for good workmanship and design, their resulting range of furniture, furnishings and block printed



fabrics include these pretty bags - perfect for the beach. Visit our object catalogue to order one for only £60 as part of our summer sale!* (excludes p&p) www.selvedge.org
Offer ends 31 August 2007.



'Cloth is the second skin of human beings. Transparency and reflection will be our future skin,' says **Jun-ichi Arai**. The master weaver will introduce his new textiles (Gold and Transparent PPS) and limited edition clothing produced with artist Yoshiaki Yuki at **gallery gen** in NY **until 28 July** www.gallerygen.com

As for competitions...nimble fingers should be feverishly embroidering to make **Art of the Stitch's** deadline of **21 September 2007** www.embroiderersguild.com. Also, in conjunction with the Create conference at Bristol's University of the West of England www.create.uwe.ac.uk **18-20 September**, print aficionados must submit a work on the theme of 'The Art and Science of Colour' by **30 July 2007**.

Fancy a recycled lace dress from rock chick Pearl Lowe? Ethical fashion boutique **Ecobtq** is celebrating its first birthday this month and still cares just as much about style as it does about our world. Find classic labels **CIEL**, **Beyond Skin** and **Carry-A-Bag** amongst their eco-friendly



mass-produce garments and to exclude the human touch and potential for error... a comment on the de-humanizing of our consumer society or the vision of a latent misanthropist? Judge for yourself. **CAA Gallery, 2 Percy Street, London W1 T: 020 7436 2344, Until 7 July www.caa.org.uk**



DO... Lacemaking: Why not learn the intricacies of centuries old techniques in a traditional rural setting? **The Guild of Irish Lacemakers** are running a weekend summer course open to both members and non-members. Beginners are welcome and the classes cover Bobbin, Mountmellick, Irish Crochet, Inishmacsaint, Carrickmacross and Beading. For full details contact **An Grianán**, Adult Education College, Termonfeckin, Co. Louth, Ireland, T: +041 9822119, 175 (inclusive of all classes and full board), **22-24 July** 'www.irishlace.org'



READ... Fashion and Advertising:

offerings www.ecobtq.com

Graduating students launching themselves into the real world might like a little spring in their step. **The Artists Web** is offering art students their own free website (for six months) to display and sell their work. To sign up go to www.theartistsweb.co.uk and click on 'student offer'; you'll get your own web address, 10 pages, 200 images and the facility to sell your work online. Perfect! Also, sixth former student, **Kate Sargan** has won an award for 'Imagining the Brain' from the Medical Research Council's Laboratory for Molecular Biology. Her poetic and fragile textile piece in muslin and wax was inspired by a family member's experience of Parkinson's Disease. www.endocytosis.org

SELVEDGE LOVES... Out of Xile

We love that **Cathy Hewlett** believes in making her clothes in England and supporting local retailers. Central to her feminine, organic creations are the detailing and subtle dyeing process which she describes as a 'strange alchemy'. Luckily for us, her flattering styles won't break the bank either! enquiries@outofxile.co.uk



SUMMER SALE...

This month there's an incredible 20% of all items in the Selvedge objects range!* Support small designer/makers by purchasing beautiful products made with integrity and the finest materials, direct from Selvedge magazine. Prices start from only £10! Visit www.selvedge.org or call **020 8341 9721**



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ZEN TREAT... Subscribe to Selvedge or renew www.selvedge.org and receive a stylish **Fog Linen** across the chest satchel worth £19.50. **Yumiko Sekine's** natural, unembellished bag is quietly chic and is ideal for work, college or the beach. www.fog-notebooks.com Offer ends 31 August 2007.

The World's Top Photographers Workshops Photoshop began a revolution in the 1990s and the echoes of its impact are still felt. It changed the fashion image forever but the analogue process still stands firm in commercial and editorial practice. The work of the five photographers in this beautiful book (produced in conjunction with the exhibition at the **National Portrait Gallery** www.npg.org.uk, **2 July-14 October**) reveals the enduring power of polaroid and film. **Magda Keaney, Rotovision, £25**
www.selvedge-bookshop.org



FREE GIFT... Fisher-Garcia are holding an Open Studio event and the first 15 Selvedge readers to purchase an item from their limited edition womens wear collection will receive a free F-G hand-dyed scarf! (Take a copy of your magazine along as proof.)
Saturday 14 July, Fisher Garcia, 29 Barnsbury Street, London N1
www.fishergarcia.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

1 July	Midcentury.Modern	De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill on Sea www.ourshowhome.com
3-7 July	Pathways: Opus show	Mall Galleries, London www.opus-online.co.uk
5-8 July	New Designers: Part 1	Business Design Centre, London www.newdesigners.com
6 July-4 Aug	Mary Cozens-Walker	Boundary Gallery, London www.boundarygallery.com
Until 7 July	Confluence: Sue Hiley Harris	Craft in the Bay, Cardiff www.makersguildinwales.org.uk
7 July	Textiles in Performance @ Fresh Air	Quenington Old Rectory, Glos www.freshairart.org
7-29 July	Hanging Together: Just 10 Group	Walford Mill Crafts, Dorset www.walfordmillcrafts.co.uk
7-18 Aug	East Weaves West: Basketry	Collins Gallery, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow www.strath.ac.uk
Until 14 July	Neo-Classicism to Pop: Part I	Francesca Galloway, London www.francescagalloway.com
14 July-16 Sep	Eye of the Needle	Touchstones Art Gallery, Rochdale www.link4life.org/touchstones
17 July-27 Aug	Pick of the Bunch	The Fashion Museum, Bath www.museumofcostume.co.uk
Until 19 July	To Dye For: Pippa Caley	Pearl Fisher Gallery, London www.pearlfisher.com
19-22 July	Art in Action	Waterperry House, Oxford www.artinaction.org.uk
21 July - 2 Sep	Small Expressions 2007	Indianapolis Art Center, USA www.indplsartcenter.org
28 July	FaCshion: fashion shopping event	Barbican, London www.FaCshion.co.uk
Until 28 Sep	You Wengfeng: Fish Skin Clothing	Textile Museum of Canada www.textilemuseum.ca
Until 28 Oct	Weaving Words: The Art of Anna S King	National Museum of Scotland, Edinburgh www.craftscotland.org



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