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(Brockton, Mass.) Fuller Craft Museum, New England's home for contemporary craft

Museum Hours: Tuesday – Sunday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, Thursday 5:00 – 9:00 pm

FULLER CRAFT MUSEUM PRESENTS

Fuller Craft Museum Offers Free Pussyhats for the Upcoming Boston/Cambridge Women's March and Beyond

High Resolution images are found at: <https://fullercraft.org/fuller-craft-museum-offers-free-pussyhats-upcoming-womens-march-beyond/>

The aim of The Pussyhat Project was to outfit enough participants with pink hats to create a collective visual statement of unity at the Women's March on Washington—the now ubiquitous “sea of pink.” An equally important objective was to provide those who couldn't attend a March the opportunity to be represented and to support women's rights by making and gifting a hat to a marcher. In keeping with that spirit, Fuller Craft has partnered with curator Beth Miller to present a special “Gifting” installation within our exhibition *Revolution in the Making: The Pussyhat Project* (January 21 – May 20, 2018). While supplies last, hats will be available for visitors to take and wear in support of women's equality and social justice for all.

In anticipation of the January 20 Boston/Cambridge Women's March, Fuller Craft Museum has made special accommodations for visitors to take a hat in advance of the January 21 opening reception for *Revolution in the Making*. While *Revolution in the Making* will not be open until January 20, **we will have the hats provided by Beth Miller available for the taking on January 18 and January 19 at Fuller Craft**. The Pussyhats will be available (on a first-come-first-served basis from the special gifting installation only) at no cost for anyone wishing to wear the hat in the January 20 Boston/Cambridge Women's March. We will have the display set up in the Great Room for visitors who pay museum

admission, and in addition, there will be a small number at the front desk for those who don't wish to pay for entry.

Miller explains, “These hats continue the energy of the Women’s March and validate women around the country who are committed to resist and persist. This special exhibition area welcomes interaction. Visitors are invited to choose a hat to take for their own future actions of resistance and to wear in support of women’s rights. This action will reignite the efforts of the hundreds of craftivists in this exhibit, while spreading solidarity and intention as these hats are taken out into the world in the next act of activism.”

Upcoming Exhibition-Related Programming

Opening Reception January 21, 2018 2:00 – 5:00 pm

3:00 pm Panel Discussion (included with Museum admission)

“Make Against the Machine: Needlecraft and the Resistance.” Panelists: Jayna Zweiman, the Pussyhat Project co-creator; Virginia Johnson, owner of Cambridge stitch-lounge Gather Here; Adrienne Sloane, local fiber artist and craftivist; Sue Bleiweiss, member of The Artist Circle Alliance and Threads of Resistance organizer. Moderator: Beth McLaughlin, Chief Curator, Fuller Craft Museum

Make a Difference, Craftivism Event

March 18, 2018 2:00 – 5:00 pm

3:00 pm Screening of “Women’s March: A Documentary Film about Democracy and Human Rights” produced by TrimTab Media. (Sponsored by RISE Sharon.)

Please join us for a day of craft activism and experience how the act of making can be used to affect social change. Free activities include a Pussyhat knit-in, cross-stitch affirmations, postcard writing, and other changemaking workshops. Craftivist kits will be available. All ages welcome.

For more information or to register, please visit us online at www.fullercraft.org or call us at 508.588.6000.

Fuller Craft Museum Freedom of Speech Commitment

Freedom of speech is the foundation of our communities and our nation. The works Fuller Craft Museum exhibits may awe, illuminate, challenge, unsettle, confound, provoke, and, at times, offend. We defend the freedom to create content and to exhibit such work anywhere in the world, and we recognize the privilege of living in a country where creating, exhibiting, and experiencing such work is a constitutional right. To exhibit works of art is not to endorse the work or the vision, ideas, and opinions of the artist. It is to uphold the right of all to experience diverse visions and perspectives. If and when controversies arise from the exhibition of an artwork, we welcome public discussion and debate with the belief that such discussion is integral to the experience of the art. Consistent with our fundamental commitment to freedom of speech, however, we will not censor exhibitions in response to political or ideological pressure.

Current Exhibitions:

Threads of Resistance

December 9, 2017 – February 18, 2018

Gender Bend: Women in Wood, Men at the Loom

October 21, 2017 – March 11, 2018

Mindful: Exploring Mental Health Through Art

November 18, 2017 – April 22, 2018

Object Lessons, Selections from Fuller Craft Museum's Permanent Collection

Ongoing

Upcoming Exhibitions:

Revolution in the Making: The Pussyhat Project

January 20 – May 20, 2018

Brother Thomas: Seeking the Sublime

February 3 – May 13, 2018

Tricks of the Trade: Illusions in Craft-Based Media

March 31 – November 18, 2018

2018 Biennial Members Exhibition

April 14 – October 7, 2018

Playtime in the Making

May 19 – September 16, 2018

Objects of Use and Beauty: Design and Craft in Japanese Culinary Tools

June 2 – October 28, 2018

Uneasy Beauty: Discomfort in Contemporary Adornment

October 6, 2018 – April 21, 2019

Mano-Made: New Expressions in Craft by Latino Artists

December 15, 2018 – September 8, 2019

About Fuller Craft Museum

Fuller Craft Museum, New England's only museum of contemporary craft, is dedicated to the objects, ideas, and insights that inspire both patrons and artists to explore life through the art of contemporary craft. Fuller Craft Museum is located at 455 Oak St. in Brockton, MA. The Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, with free admission for all Thursdays from 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Admission is \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and \$5 students, free for members and children 12 and under. For more information on Fuller Craft exhibitions and events please visit www.fullercraft.org or call 508.588.6000.

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