

Brennan & Maffei Exhibition & Workshops Set at SWOSU

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An exhibition and workshops by world-famous tapestry artists Archie Brennan and Susan Martin Maffei are planned at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Works by these artists will be on display April 7 through May 7 at the SWOSU Art Building Art Gallery. The public is invited to the free exhibition and hours are 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

An opening reception is planned on Tuesday, April 7, from 4-6 p.m. in the Art Building. The public is invited.

Brennan and Maffei will make presentations on April 7 and 9 at 12 noon. In addition, they will offer tapestry workshops on April 6, 8 and 10 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Art Building. Attendees will get hands-on experience at weaving tapestries.

Maffei is a weaver whose background includes art studies at The Art Students League in New York City, tapestry training at Les Gobelins in Paris, apprenticeship and studio work at the Scheuer Tapestry Studio of New York City, and work in conservation of antique textiles at Artweave Gallery of New York City.

Brennan has been a leading international figure in tapestry for more than 25 years. He studied art in France and did graduate and post graduate at Edinburgh College of Art in Scotland. He established and developed the Graduate and Post Graduate Department of Tapestry and Fiber Arts at the Edinburgh College of Art and in 1963 became director of the Dovecot studio. Major collections of Brennan's work are on display at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, at Scotland's National Gallery of Modern Art, at the Royal Scottish Museum, at two sites in the state of Hawaii, at the Textile Museum in Hungary, and at other museums, public collections, and private collections around the world.

The SWOSU Visiting Artist Program is sponsoring the events, which are made possible in part by a grant from the Oklahoma Art Council. The settings for the workshops are limited. For more information and workshop reservation, please contact Dr. Jeong at 580.774.3756 or ek.jeong@swosu.edu.