

## Dear fellow creatives -

2020 was a year of clarity. We have all gained wisdom through the joys and sorrows that we have faced both as individuals and communities. As *The Sewing Labs* looks forward to a brighter tomorrow, we understand and celebrate the lessons that we can learn from listening to the experiences of another. It is from that starting point that we are inviting you to join us in The Sewing Labs first **Make'n HERstory** art exhibit.

As a maker we are inviting you to create some sort of mask that represents your experience of 2020. The "mask" as the prompt is the only parameter. Your piece can be a literal or figurative interpretation since the exhibited masks will NOT be worn as PPE. All other details (medium, size, narrative, etc) are determined by you.

The masks will be exhibited during our Make'n HERstory event on May 21 & 22, 2021. At this event the public will be able to view the exhibit, and purchase the masks as part of a silent or live auction. We are using this event to raise awareness about The Sewing Labs, the importance of the legacy of sewing, and the value of community connection. Funds raised from the sale of each art mask will go to support programming for The Sewing Labs. We welcome all makers to use The Sewing Labs, in-kind inventory of fabrics, trims, buttons, threads, etc. to construct their mask or they can find their own supplies. Please inquire if you need these supplies, free of charge, to create your own mask. (more information available upon request).

We are so excited by the possibility of you joining us for this fun and impactful event. If you are considering participating, please contact Kriss Miller (tinyfarmstudios@gmail.com) or Linnca Stevens (linnca@thesewinglabs.community) and we will follow up with details and answer any questions.

Please share this call out with other makers you know that might be interested. We look forward to talking to you soon!!

Thank you for your art in the world!

Kriss & Linnca

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