



ACC presents the Randall Darwall Fiber Grant, in honor of a beloved and long-time ACC show artist and exhibitor. The grant was created to support and encourage early-career fiber artists in their first time as an ACC Marketplace participant.

Craft in America called Randall Darwall (1948 – 2017) “one of contemporary craft’s finest weavers,” noting that for him, “dyeing and weaving was a way to set up a conversation between colors; when the cloth is worn, it becomes kinetic sculpture.”

For more than 30 years, Randy and his life partner Brian Murphy spent countless hours doing shows, and they loved seeing the exciting work and fresh ideas that came from new artists. To honor Randy’s legacy and memory, the Randall Darwall Fiber Grant was born to encourage fiber artists to exhibit in the marketplace by providing a free booth and a stipend to assist with show expenses.

Above: Randall Darwall, *Eyelash Scarf*, 2003, silk and wool, 68 1/4 x 12 1/2 in., Image courtesy of Smithsonian American Art Museum

The American Craft Council Presents

Randall Darwall Fiber Grant

Grant Specifics:

This one-year program is for a first-time artist exhibiting at ACC shows.

Funds Cover:

Recipient will receive a 10x10 booth at the **2024 American Craft Made / Baltimore 2024** Marketplace event, \$1,000 to assist with additional expenses such as pipe and drape, electric, shipping, wifi, travel, and marketing. In addition, the grant recipient will receive a one-year membership to American Craft Council. The cash stipend will be received by the grant recipient after full participation in the **American Craft Made / Baltimore 2024** Marketplace experience.

How to Apply:

Please apply to be a participating artist in the **American Craft Made / Baltimore 2024** Marketplace through application.org in one of the following categories:

- CLOTHING
- CLOTHING - ACCESSORIES
- FIBER - TEXTILES
- MIXED MEDIA

And, if you meet eligibility requirements, complete a brief essay (500 words or less) describing what the Randall Darwall Fiber Grant opportunity would mean to you.

Selection Process:

The grant recipient will be selected based on the artist application, images, jury score and answer to the Randall Darwall Fiber Grant essay question.

Grant Application Deadline:

American Craft Made / Baltimore 2024 – August 9, 2023

Grant Recipient will be notified prior to:

September 15, 2023



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