

KNITTING and/or CROCHETING

Please note:

Since knitting is a relatively easy skill to develop and is fairly common, it is harder to create something which is original to you as an artist. Also, the basic forms (scarves, socks, hats etc.) are fairly standard and copies are easy to develop. (Varying the yarns used in a pattern does not qualify as individual expression.)

You may want to consider:

- Hand spinning or hand dyeing your own yarn allowing you to knit simpler (non-copy righted) patterns.
- Embellishing your item in a very individualized way.
- Developing something completely new that hasn't been seen elsewhere.

JURY CONSIDERATIONS:

ARTISTRY (Originality/Creativity)

- Is the item unique or show the individual 'fingerprint/stamp' of the artist?
- Is this an original pattern? If no, list the source.
- If the pattern is not original: do you have permission to use it or is it public domain (free/open source)? (Note: your yarn must be hand spun by you or hand dyed by you to use someone else's pattern.)

WORKMANSHIP AND FINISHING

- Is the yarn used appropriate to the item created?
- Are the needle size(s) and stitch(es) used appropriate to the item created?
- Is the item laundered and blocked as applicable?
- Is the workmanship and finishing of good and lasting quality?

USABILITY

- Will the item wear well?
- Are you sure of the item's fit for the size indicated?
- Are care instructions included?