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{yarn around town}

For the past few years, delightful textile decorations have been appearing throughout the Clintonville neighborhood of Columbus, Ohio. The practice, called yarn bombing, is a form of street craft vandalism that artists and crafts(wo)men have used to make political statements, call a different kind of attention to an object, or simply to bring a smile to their neighbors faces.

"Yarn bombing" ('yărn 'bŏm • ing) is a type of graffiti or street art that employs colorful displays of knitted or crocheted yarn rather than paint. It is also called wool bombing, yarn storming, guerrilla knitting, knitffiti, urban knitting, or graffiti knitting.

The origin "grandma graffiti" is frequently attributed to Magda Sayeg, a Texas shop owner, who in 2005, covered the doorknobs of her boutique with knitwear that spelled out the word "knitting". From there she began tagging stop signs and lamp posts and assembled a crew of likeminded craftspeople called Knitta Please. Groups began springing up throughout the country and around the world including the Ladies Fancywork Society in Denver, Colorado, the YarnCore Collective in Seattle, Washington, Masquerade in Stockholm, Sweden, Knit the City in London, England and a woman known as Bali, in Melbourne, Australia. Each group uses this handmade, labor-intensive, craft to wrap bike racks, snuggle fire hydrants, and cozy up bus stops throughout the urban landscape.

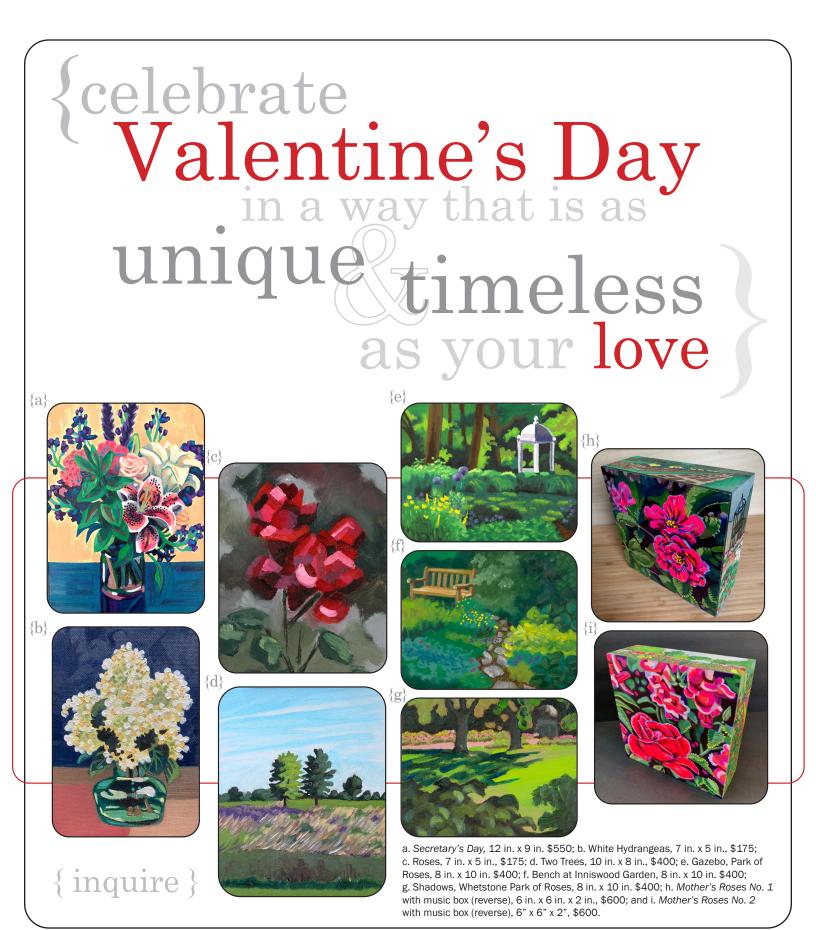
Meanwhile, back in Columbus, the Clintonville Yarn Bomber (CYB), has put enough of a stamp on her environs that the PBS television show *Columbus Neighborhoods* came calling. The program interviewed about her work and plans for future projects. The interview was conducted in shadow and using voice-scrambling technology. She does wants to remain anonymous afterall. The following pages illustrate some her work.





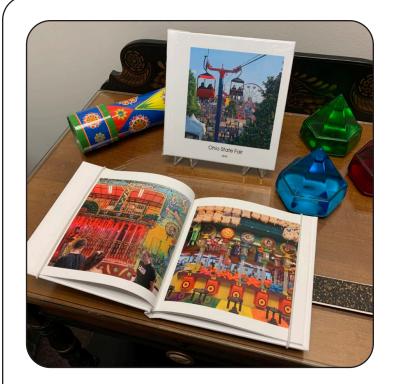


To learn more about the Clintonville Yarn Bomber, click here to watch the Columbus neighborhoods segment from PBS affiliate WOSU.



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{photography books}

Over the holidays I took some time to create three books of my recent photography projects.

Ohio State Fair 2019 showcases the annual event with a focus on the bright lights of the midway.

Wiring Diagram contains mobile photographs of the electrical and data connections within the building where I work which were created using Instagram.

Utility Poles, another Instagram project brings coordinate tags into focus. "As kids we used to pretend that we were spies and that these metal coordinate tags were spy codes tacked up throughout the neighborhood and only we could decipher their meaning."





{the avant-garde}

{all around the town}	{and beyond}
The Columbus Cultural Arts Center	The Akron Art Museum (http://www.akronartmuseum.org)
(http://www.culturalartscenteronline.org)	"Akron Art Mail", October 15, 2020 - February 21, 2021
"Sharone Putter & Philip Sorensen", March 5-April 17	The Museum of Fine Arts Boston (http://www.mfa.org)
"Bob Tavani: Up, Up, Up and Away", Ongoing	"Women Take the Floor", Through May 3, 2021
The Columbus Museum of Art (http://www.columbusmuseum.org) "Raggin' On: The Art of Aminah Robinson's House and Journals", Through October 3	ICA Boston (http://www.icaboston.org) "i'm yours: Encounters with Art in Our Times", Through May 23
"Greater Columbus: The 2020 Greater Columbus Arts Council Visual	The Cincinnati Art Museum (http://www.cincinnatiartmuseum.org)
Arts Awards Exhibition", Through April 25	"Frank Duveneck: American Master", Through March 28, 2021
"Tara Booth Columbus Comics Residency Exhibition" Through September 26 "Queer / Modern", Ongoing	Contemporary Arts Center (http://www.contemporaryartscenter.org) "Vhils: Haze", Through February 28, 2021
"Photography in Context: Two Works by Deana Lawson", Ongoing	The Cleveland Museum of Art (http://www.clevelandart.org) "Second Careers: Two Tributaries in African Art", Through March 14
OSI (http://www.cosi.org)	The Art Institute of Chicago (http://www.artic.edu)
"iCuba!", Ongoing	"Monet and Chicago", Through June 14
The Decorative Arts Center of Ohio (http://www.decartsohio.org/) "Russian Decorative Arts from the Tsars to the USSR", Through February 28	Dayton Art Institute (http://www.daytonartinstitute.org) "Archiving Eden: Dornith Doherty Photographs", Through March 7
Oublin Arts Council (http://www.dublinarts.org)	Detroit Institute of Art (http://www.dia.org)
"Emerging: an exhibition of student artwork", Through February 26	"Experience & Expression", January 30-October 3
The High Road Gallery and Studios (http://www.highroadgallery.com) "2021 Resident Artist Show", Ongoing	Indianapolis Museum of Art (http://www.imamuseum.org) "Don't Matter How Raggly the Flag, It Still Got to Tie Us Together", Through February 28
The King Arts Complex (https://kingartscomplex.com)	Los Angeles County Museum of Art (http://www.lacma.org)
"2021 M(art)in Unites Virtual Exhibition", Ongoing	"Learn: New Winter 2021 Education and Public Programs Guide"
McConnell Arts Center (http://www.mcconnellarts.org) The gallery is now open by appointment only "Art Unites Cbus Murals", Ongoing outdoor exhibit "From the Outside In", Through March 6	Minneapolis Institute of Art (http://www.artsmia.org) "In the Presence of Our Ancestors: Southern Perspectives in African American Art", Through December 5, 2021
Dhio Craft Museum (https://ohiocraft.org/)	Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC (http://www.metmuseum.org)
"Winter Artist Market", Through March 20	5th Ave: "A New Look at Old Masters", Ongoing
DSU Urban Arts Space (http://www.uas.osu.edu)	Museum of Modern Art, New York (http://www.moma.org)
Dnline art exhibits & engagement	"Engineer, Agitator, Constructor: The Artist Reinvented", Through April 2
"29th Annual Fergus Scholarship Award Exhibition", Though February 7	New Orleans Museum of Art (http://www.noma.org) "Roberto Lugo: Stunting Garniture Set", Through Aptil 18
The Riffe Gallery (http://www.oac.ohio.gov/Riffe-Gallery/Exhibitions)	Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh (http://www.cmoa.org)
"Build It: Artists Creating Community in Ohio", January 29-April 10	"States of Becoming", Through March 28
The Wexner Center (http://www.wexarts.org) "Climate Changing: On Artists, Institutions, and the Social Environment", January 30-May 10	The Warhol, Pittsburgh (http://www.warhol.org) "Tally Brown", Through October 4
{performing arts}	San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (http://www.sfmoma.org) "Local Artists Respond to 2020", Ongoing
CAPA (https://www.capa.com) VIRTUAL EVENTS	The Toledo Museum of Art (http://www.toledomuseum.org)
"Jim Brickman: Share the Love, Live, Virtually", February 12–14	"The Bauhaus Experiment: Art & Design from the Toledo Museum of
"A Romantic Night In: Dave Koz & Brian McKnight with special guest	Art", Through February 7
Sheléa", Saturday, February 13	The National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. (http://www.nga.gov)
CATCO (http://www.catco.org/) VIRTUAL EVENTS	"Degas at the Opéra Virtual Tour", Ongoing
"Short Plays Toward an Antiracist Tomorrow", On-Demand	"Raphael and His Circle Virtual Tour", Ongoing
"New Works Festival", January 30-February 13	The Smithsonian American Art Museum & The Renwick Gallery,
Columbus Symphony Orchestra (http://www.columbussymphony.com)	Washington, D.C. (https://americanart.si.edu/)
"Russian Winter Festival II: Prokofiev and Shostakovich", VIRTUAL EVENTS	"¡Printing the Revolution! The Rise and Impact of Chicano Graphics,
February 5	1965 to Now ", Ongoing

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