

Wool Skirts

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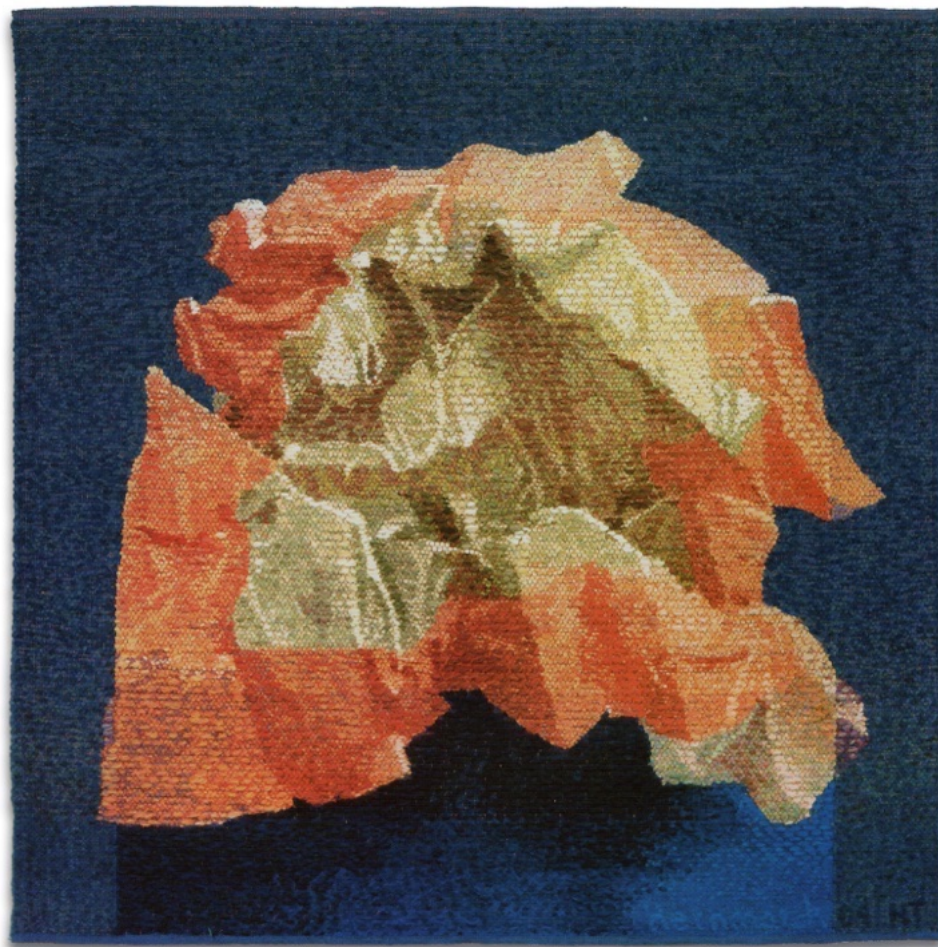
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Helena Hernmarck, *Crumpled Paper*, 2004. Wool, linen, cotton, 56 x 58 in.
Private Collection.





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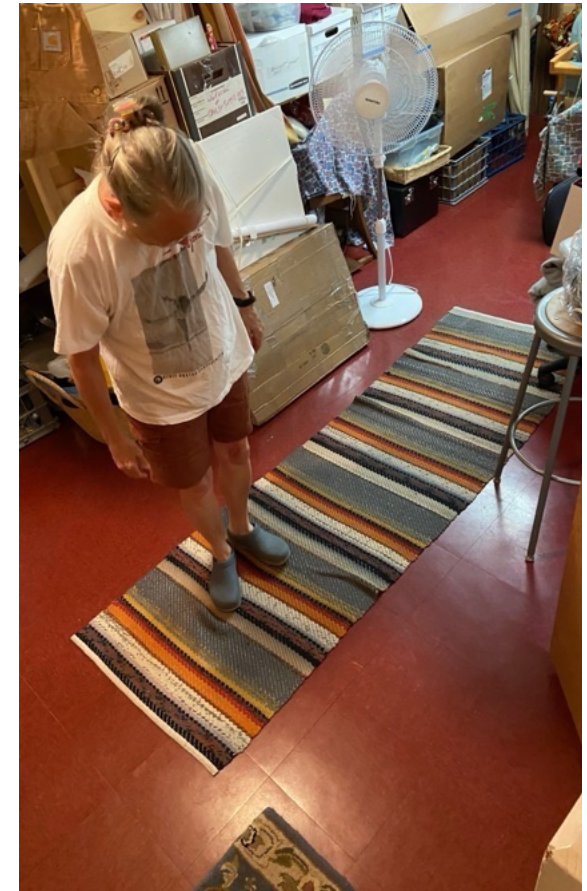
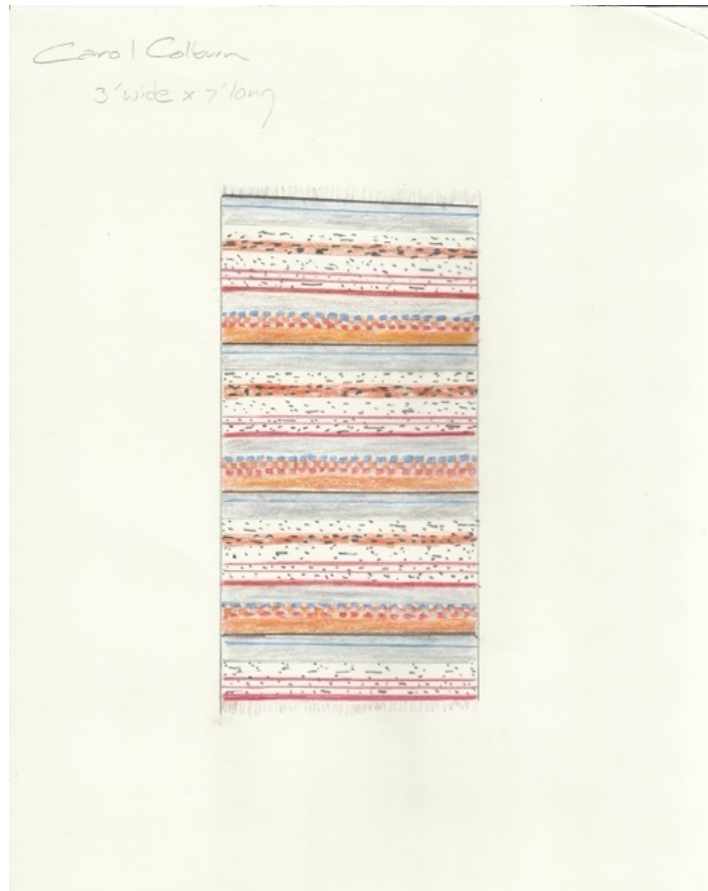


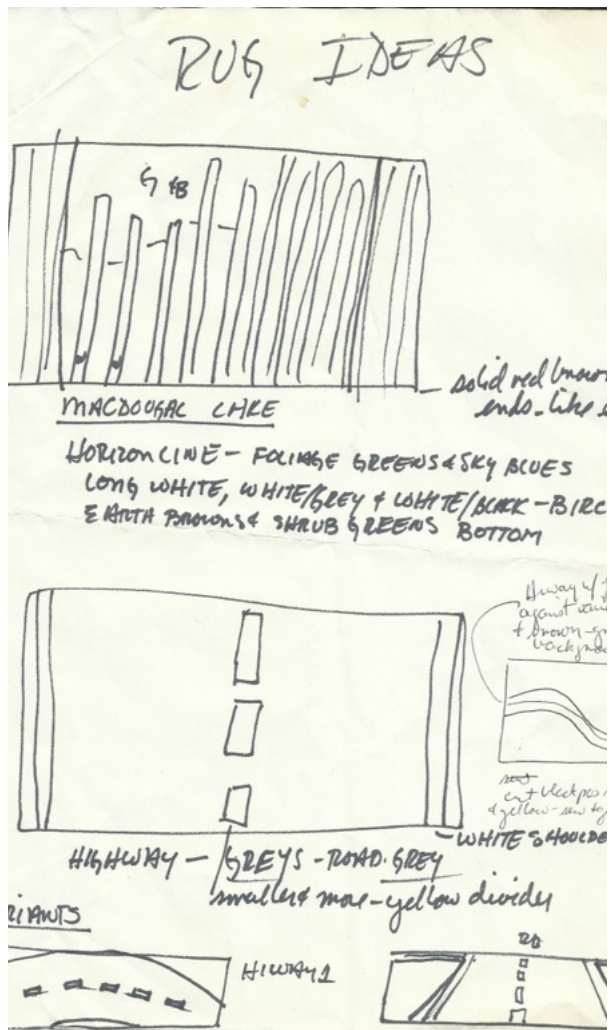












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SKIRT DESCRIPTION KEY

- Color
- Shape
- Pattern
- Weave structure
- Material

- Pleat
- Lining
- Waistband
- Pockets
- Closures
- Label? - brand, size, union, location made
- Handmade?
- kick pleat
- Alterations, repairs
- Condition
- Date
- Measure: waistline, length, hem circumference

- General impressions











discoveries

















future(s)



Wool Skirts

Lists

- Unlisted Items
- Last Import
- Deleted Items

Tags

- ☐ 1950s
- ☐ 1960s
- ☐ 1970s
- ☐ 1980s
- ☐ A-line
- ☐ Alfred Dunner
- ☐ Alison McCabe
- ☐ Altered
- ☐ Austin Hill
- ☐ Briggs New York
- ☐ Casual Corner
- ☐ Collectibles
- ☐ David Brooks Ltd
- ☐ Deconstructed
- ☐ Hole
- ☐ JH Collectibles
- ☐ Orange
- ☐ Pendleton
- ☐ Pink
- ☐ Pleated
- ☐ Red
- ☐ Sears
- ☐ Solid
- ☐ Straight



632 items in this view

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Metadata

Tags

- ☐ 1960s
- ☐ Pink
- ☐ Pleated
- ☐ Sears
- ☐ Solid

Add Tag to 1 Item

1 Photo



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1 Note



w: 23 in / l: 20 / hc: 56 A-line silhouette with wide, shallow box pleats. Label says Sears, girl...

wool skirts

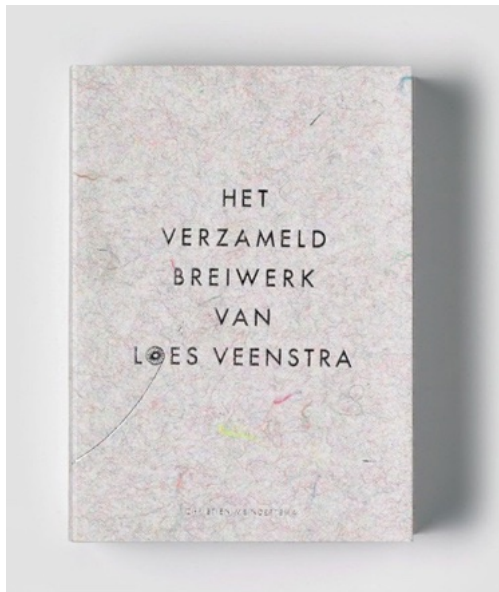
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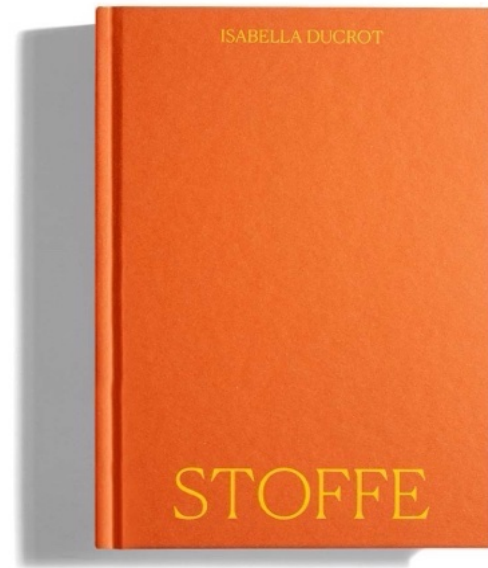
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Joseph Beuys, *Felt Suit*, 1970
left publicity photograph published by Edition Rene Block



Marie Watt, *Dwelling*, 2006
Photo: Kevin McConnell



Maira Kalman and Alex Kalman, *Sara Berman's Closet*, 2017
Photos: Katherine Finkelstein

place them on open shelving
hang them on a long rack
display them all in a room together
present them inside-out
a fashion show
a dance for each decade
a fictional story about each skirt
photograph them in different places
map where each skirt was made
make an audio documentary
record oral histories
weigh the mass
trace the holes
fill the holes
mend the holes
scan the fabric
paint the plaids
describe the wool
describe the weave structures
describe the patterns

consider partnerships
connect with the manufacturers
connect with scholars
connect with students
connect with stylists
connect with artists
connect with farms
ruminate on it
open it up
you don't have to take it all on yourself

disperse the collection
document the dispersal of the collection
collect this documentation
give to museums
give to fashion archives
give to study collections
have shopping days

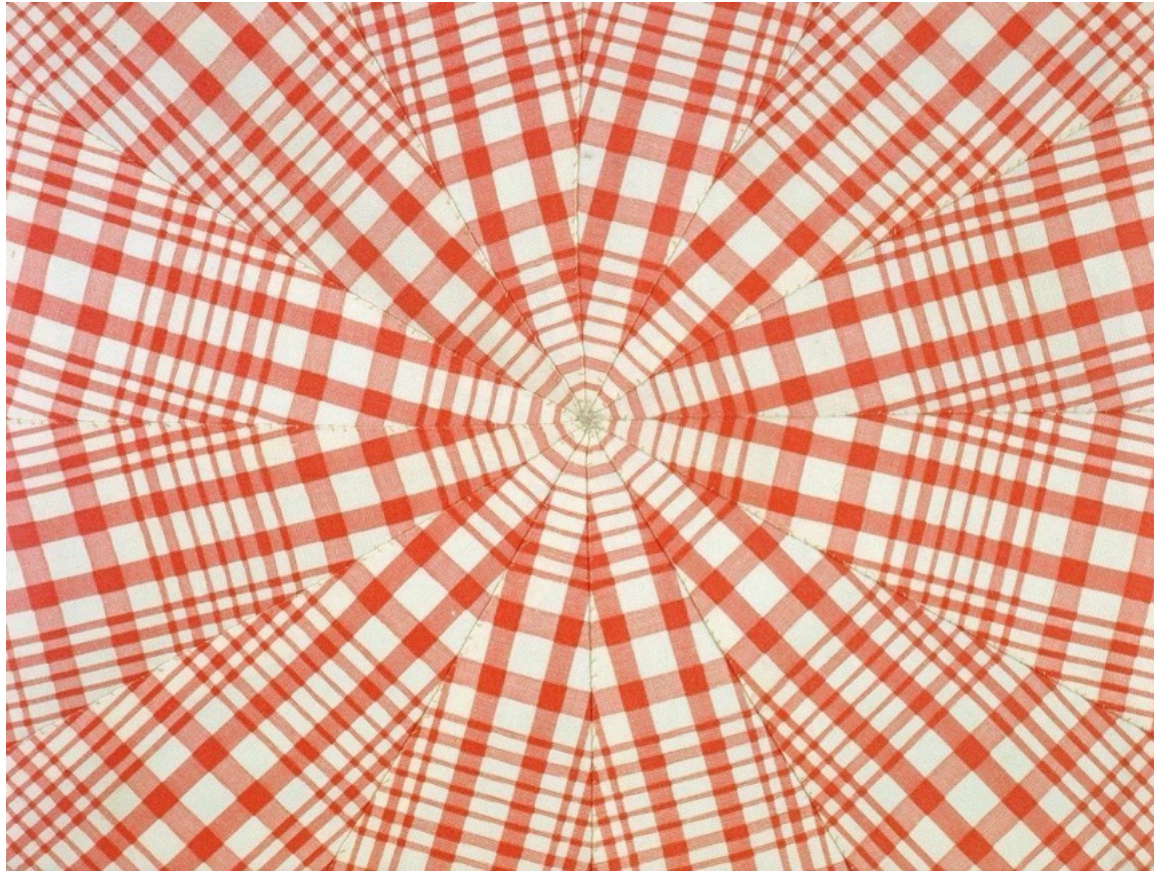
wear them
alter them
stitch them
piece them
quilt them
weave them into rag rugs
rework them
recycle them
compost them

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