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Our Prairie in Fibre opens at Affinity Gallery

The Saskatchewan Craft Council (SCC) is pleased to present "Our Prairie in Fibre" curated by Monika Kinner-Whalen. This exhibition contains a collection of fibre art created by women from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Leslie Potter, Exhibitions and Education Coordinator for the SCC says, "This is a heartfelt collection; each piece has a story about dreams or the power of the landscape. For example, "Coming to Canada" a piece by Linda McBain Cuyler depicts how immigrants arrive carrying their own dreams and hopes. This is accomplished with acrylic and machine stitching in a found suitcase."

Kinner-Whalen says, "I wanted to walk into a room where anyone who entered would be enveloped with the deep bond between the artist and their homeland...The bond between woman and her prairie became undeniable as an interlocking theme that connects all the pieces together."

The pieces in this exhibition range from wall art to home goods, sculptural to wearable, as well as a video installation. You will find weaving, knitting, garments, crochet, embroidery, quilting, felting and rug hooking.

Exhibition Dates: January 16 to February 21, 2015

Reception: Friday, January 16, 7 – 9 pm **Curator's Talk:** Thursday, February 5, 7 pm

Affinity Gallery, Saskatchewan Craft Council building, main floor 813 Broadway Avenue, Saskatoon SK S7N 1B5 Open to the public 10 am to 5 pm Monday to Saturday; open until 8:00 pm Thursdays

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Coming to Canada by Linda McBain Cuyler