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## Graceffa Quilt Displays at International Juried Show

An art quilt titled “Out on a Limb” by local interior decorator and quilt artist Barbara Graceffa has been accepted into an international juried art show at The Brush Gallery in Lowell. The theme of this annual art quilt exhibition is “Tree, Tree, Tree.”

Quilting for more than 40 years, this was Graceffa’s first entry in a juried show. “Although I have participated in many quilt shows over the years, this is the first show in which I needed to compete for inclusion, so I am very honored to have been chosen among talented quilters across the world. Moreover, I’m pleased that quilting has now been recognized as a fine art category.”



One of two dozen art quilts selected for the show, the background fabric of Graceffa’s piece is a hand-painted, marbled tree to which she machine appliquéd brightly colored batik circles to contrast with the tree’s spiky branches.

According to the gallery’s Executive Director James Dymont, “the jurors were extremely selective ... (and quilters like Barbara) should be very proud.”

The show runs from August 6 through September 17 with an artist reception on Saturday, August 13 from 2 to 4 PM at the gallery located at 256 Market Street at the Lowell National Historic Park.

The gallery is open Tuesdays through Sundays with free admission.