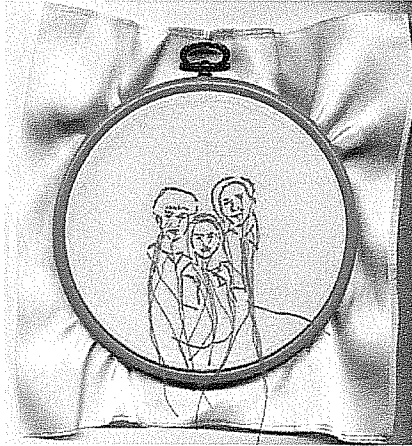


By A Thread Puts a Contemporary Spin on a Centuries-old Medium



Lisa Solomon - Wallet Size Me, 2004

Embroidery (wrong size showing) on satin, vintage embroidery hoop, 8 x 8 inches

By A Thread a group show at The San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA) is an exhibition of artwork by emerging and mid-career Bay Area artists who create unexpectedly nostalgic, and poetic works using thread as their primary medium.

By A Thread will be exhibited in the ICA's Main Gallery from **February 6 through May 15, 2010**. The show includes work from artists Jody Alexander, Susan Taber Avila, Diem Chau, Lauren DiCioccio, Robin Hill, Nina Katchadourian, Lisa Kokin, Beili Liu, Katie Lewis, Emil Lukas, Victoria May, Ali Naschke Messing, Lisa Solomon, Hadi Tabatabai, Nicola Vruwink, and Allison Watkins. An opening reception will be held at the ICA on **Friday, February 5 from 6pm to 8pm**. A panel discussion with the artists will take place at the ICA on **Thursday, February 11, from 7pm to 9pm**.

"By a Thread is not an exhibition about precise or technically proficient sewing, embroidery or any other form of needlework," says Cathy Kimball, ICA Executive Director. "Rather, it is an exhibition featuring contemporary art that uses thread as a medium to communicate the ideas, visions, and conceptual explorations of the participating artists. In many cases, the artists included in the exhibition have found that the ubiquitous and centuries-old process of stitching can be used in innovative ways to create something new," explains Kimball. Thus, the exhibition will feature the work of artists who give fresh consideration to the value and function of traditional handiwork. The show will include small two-dimensional pieces and large-scale installations, as well as a wide variety of sculptural works.

So if you live in the area this definitely seems worth checking out! You can see some of the artwork from the show on the [ICA By a Thread Flickr Page](#).

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