

Submission Guidelines

THE TEXTILE MUSEUM JOURNAL

The Textile Museum Journal *promotes high-quality academic research on the textile arts and serves as an interface between different branches of academia and textile scholars worldwide. It is devoted to the presentation of scholarly articles concerning the cultural, technical, historical, and aesthetic significance of textiles. International in scope, the journal emphasizes the geographic areas represented in The Textile Museum Collection. These textiles are drawn primarily from Asian, African, and Indigenous American cultures.*

We invite authors to submit manuscripts based on original research of a documentary, analytical, or interpretive nature. Acceptance of manuscripts for publication is based upon double-blind peer review. Articles should be both scholarly and accessible to a broad readership.

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Submission Guidelines for *THE TEXTILE MUSEUM JOURNAL*

1. Submission Requirements for Abstracts:

- a) A single Microsoft Word document detailing **author(s) name, institutional affiliation(s), mailing address(es), telephone number(s), email address(es), and short biography** (100 words) of author(s).
- b) A single Microsoft Word document with the **title of your manuscript** and an **abstract**.
 - a. Submissions must be in English.
 - b. Abstracts should be no longer than 250 words.
 - c. Your manuscript should be formatted in 12-pt Times New Roman typeface and should be double-spaced.
- c) A single Microsoft Word document with **sample images (photographs, drawings, diagrams, maps, etc.)** and accompanying caption(s).
 - a. Document should contain no more than 5 images.

2. Submission Requirements for Manuscripts to be Reviewed:

- a) Please submit the below **(3) documents** sent together as email attachments to tmjournal@gwu.edu
- b) A single Microsoft Word document detailing **author name(s), institutional affiliation(s), mailing address(es), telephone number(s), email address(es), and short biography** (100 words) of author(s).
- c) A single Microsoft Word document that combines your **manuscript text** along with any accompanying **endnotes** and **bibliography**.
 - On the first page of the document, please include the title of your manuscript and an abstract (no longer than 250 words). Do not include author's name, affiliation, or location anywhere in the manuscript.
 - Manuscripts should not exceed 10,000 words (including endnotes, captions, and bibliography).
 - Submissions must be in English.
 - Text and endnotes should conform to *The Chicago Manual of Style*, 16th edition.
 - Your manuscript should be formatted in 12-pt Times New Roman typeface and should be double-spaced. Endnotes and bibliography should also be double-spaced.
 - Please **do not embed** endnotes in the manuscript, but use superscript for the endnote numbers in the text and place endnote text at the end of the manuscript before the bibliography.
 - Bibliographic entries should conform to author/date system (see **Author Style Guide in <https://museum.gwu.edu/submit-research>**).
 - Please number your pages in the lower right-hand corner.
 - The document margins should be set at 1 inch. Do not justify the right margin.
 - For matters of spelling, punctuation, and hyphenation, please use Webster's *Third New International Dictionary*.
 - We encourage the use of major (A) and second-level (B) subheadings where appropriate. Please avoid C subheadings if possible.
- d) A single Microsoft Word document that combines **all photographs, drawings, diagrams, maps, etc.** referenced in your manuscript with their accompanying **captions**.
 - These illustrative materials should be pasted/inserted into the document with captions beneath.

- Your captions should be formatted in 12-pt Times New Roman typeface and double-spaced.
 - All illustrative materials should be numbered and designated as "figures" (fig.). These figure numbers should be referenced in the text of your manuscript.
 - Please number your pages in the lower right-hand corner.
 - Please do not include more than 25 figures for the print edition (including images, diagrams, maps, etc.) The digital edition of the journal may include more figures than the print edition. A good rule to follow that helps with a good distribution of images in the manuscript is to use **one image for every 400-500 words**.
- e) Do not include author's name, affiliation, or location anywhere in the manuscript or illustration document.
- f) This document is used during peer-review, editing, copyediting, and design phases of the journal and is helpful for editors and designers to see the cropping and orientation of the images.

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- a) Please follow the guidelines above under **2. Submission Requirements for Manuscripts**.
- b) Research Notes should not exceed 3,000 words (including endnotes, captions, and bibliography) and 7 images.

4. Submission Requirements for Accepted Manuscripts:

- a) Manuscripts accepted for publication must be revised following the suggestions of peer reviewers.
- b) It is the author's responsibility to obtain permissions to use copyrighted illustrations and to provide the appropriate credit-line information. For more information, please see our **Guide for Image Permission and Preparation** below.
- c) Please refer to this document and **Author Style Guide** (<https://museum.gwu.edu/submit-research>) for preparation of your manuscript for the volume.
- d) **Please include the following when submitting your revised, accepted manuscript:**
- A single Microsoft Word document that combines your **manuscript text** along with any **endnotes and bibliography**.
 - Please follow the guidelines above (Section 2c) for formatting your manuscript.
 - Make sure that your endnotes **are not embedded** in the manuscript.
 - A single Microsoft Word document that combines **all photographs, drawings, diagrams, maps etc.** referenced in your manuscript with accompanying **captions**. Please follow the guidelines above in Section 2d.
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 - If EPS file is not practical, please have the visual data send in 400 dpi jpeg files
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 - A table with a caption to the side should have a maximum width of 5.3 inches
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 - A table can have a maximum of approx. 35 lines to prevent spill to other pages

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- Authors are responsible for the accuracy of their transliterations. Foreign terms and phrases must be italicized upon their first usage and diacritics included. Please see the **Author Style Guide** for more information on when to italicize foreign words.
- Foreign names and titles must be fully transliterated when cited in the endnotes and in bibliography. For C14 dates, please cite the calibration table used.
- If manuscripts use words in foreign languages where the orthography is variable or controversial (e.g., Quechua), authors should specify which system of transliteration is used.
- Exceptions include foreign words that have entered the English language. Please use *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* as the resource. These should be treated as English words, that is, not italicized and without diacritics.

- For the transliteration of Arabic, Persian and Ottoman Turkish, please use *International Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* guide: <https://www.cambridge.org/core/services/aop-file-manager/file/57d83390f6ea5a022234b400/TransChart.pdf>
- Authors should use *pinyin* in transcribing Mandarin Chinese.

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- *The Textile Museum Journal* is a journal distributed digitally with a print-on-demand option by subscription or by museum membership worldwide.
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- Do not obtain permission grants that required payment of renewal fees, restrict use to a specific time period, or place restrictions on access to the material.

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Please start requesting your images and permissions immediately. Permissions grants may take up to 6 weeks.

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 - a. For specific guidelines for permission letters and forms, see below.
2. You may also consider using image providers and agencies, such as Art Resource, to obtain high-quality images in the public-domain as well. Please pay close attention to conditions for use and publication when ordering these images.
 - a. The College Art Association has combined a helpful list of image banks and an overview of rights and permissions requirements: http://www.collegeart.org/ip/ip_image
 - b. A list of useful providers for: 1) obtaining images for academic publishing and; 2) obtaining rights for images under copyright are provided on page 3.

3. Authors must provide a **credit line** for images. Required credit lines may be defined by the institution when permissions are granted. If no credit line is designated by the institution, please use the following format: "Courtesy of [Institution]".

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4. For more on copyright vs. public domain please see: <http://libguides.gwu.edu/copyright>

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- Los Angeles County Museum of Art: <http://collections.lacma.org/>
- Wellcome Collection: <http://wellcomeimages.org/>
- George Washington University Museum and The Textile Museum: <https://museum.gwu.edu/collections>
- The Metropolitan Museum of Art: <https://archive.org/details/metropolitanmuseumofart-gallery&tab=about>
- Rhode Island School of Design: [https://risdmuseum.org/art-design/collection free.](https://risdmuseum.org/art-design/collection-free)
- The New York Public Library Digital Collections: <http://digitalcollections.nypl.org/>
- National Archives (NARA): <https://www.archives.gov/research>
- Smithsonian Institution Archives: <https://siarchives.si.edu/services/photograph-and-image-collections>
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- Copyright Clearance Center (CCC): <http://www.copyright.com/>
- Scala Picture Archive: <http://www.scalarchives.com/web/index.asp>

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Note: This letter requests both reproducible art (the high-resolution file) and the permission of the copyright holder to reproduce the work depicted. Adjust the letter as needed if requesting only one or the other.

Frequently, the art and permission will come from separate entities, such as a museum or archive (for an image of an object in their collections) and an artist or estate (for the permission).

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request a high-resolution image—preferably a tiff file of 8 x 10 inches (300-600 dpi or preferably higher)—of the following work in your collection:

[Insert name of artist, name of work, date, medium, dimensions, institution name, and accession number]

A [photocopy/scan] of this work is attached. I would appreciate your confirmation of the title, date, medium, and acquisition number given above.

I am also requesting from you written permission to reprint this image as one of the illustrations to my essay, [insert “Title of essay”], which will appear in *The Textile Museum Journal*, no. [insert issue #] (YEAR), a scholarly journal published by the George Washington University Museum and The Textile Museum. Access to the journal is by subscription or museum membership. The journal is distributed in both digital editions and in a print-on-demand edition.

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Please indicate if you are not the copyright holder, or if additional permission is needed for world rights from another source, please indicate so.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Themed Proposal Guidelines for *THE TEXTILE MUSEUM JOURNAL*

We welcome proposals for themed issue topics that are devoted to the presentation of scholarly, but also exciting and intellectually adventurous articles concerning the cultural, technical, historical, and aesthetic significance of textiles. The preferred themes are trans-regional and transcultural, covering a wide span of time and area.

Submission Requirements for Themed Proposal:

- a) A single Microsoft Word document compiling the titles and abstracts (250 words each) for each article that you are planning to include with (2) sample images.
 - Illustrations should be pasted/inserted directly into the document with captions beneath. Captions should not be double-spaced.
- b) A single 1-2 page Microsoft Word document outlining your proposal for the volume and the contribution you think it will make to existing scholarship.
 - On the first page of the document, please include a proposed title for your themed issue.
 - Your manuscript should be formatted in 12-pt Times New Roman typeface and should be double-spaced.
 - Do not include author's name, affiliation, or location anywhere in the manuscript.
 - The document margins should be set at 1 inch. Do not justify the right margin.
- c) A single Microsoft Word document compiling bios (100-word) of each contributing author.

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Please see the [Author Style Guide \(https://museum.gwu.edu/submit-research\)](https://museum.gwu.edu/submit-research) for preparation of each manuscript for the themed issue.**

Book Review Guidelines for *THE TEXTILE MUSEUM JOURNAL*

We invite authors to submit reviews of recently published books based on careful synthesis of the book's main topics and argument in a manner that is accessible to a broad readership. Reviews accepted for publication will not only summarize the content, but also explore the book's argument(s) from a scholarly perspective and explain its relevance to the field. Reviews should enlighten readers and should not include any vague criticisms or critical remarks that are not objective. Books subject to review must cover the geographic areas listed above.

Submission Requirements for Book Reviews:

- a) A single Microsoft Word document detailing **author(s) name, institutional affiliation(s), mailing address(s), telephone number(s), and email address(es)**.
- b) A single Microsoft Word document that includes your review with the title and publication information of the book reviewed.
 - Reviews should not exceed 300 words.
 - Submissions must be in English.
 - Reviews should be formatted in 12-pt Times New Roman typeface and should be double-spaced.
 - The document margins should be set at 1 inch. Do not justify the right margin.
 - For matters of spelling, punctuation, and hyphenation, please use *Webster's Third New International Dictionary*.

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