

# MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE of ART and DESIGN

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### MCAD Gallery Presents "Soft Power" Spotighting Regional Fiber and Textile Artists

**March 2022** – Presented in conjunction with the MCAD MFA Program, *Soft Power* spotlights fifteen faculty members from colleges and universities across Minnesota and adjacent states who work primarily with fibers or textiles. With an emphasis on experimentation with wide-ranging materials and forms, the artworks selected for the exhibition highlight the complex relationship between objects, space, and human perception.

#### Soft Power: Regional Faculty Exploring Fiber Arts

MCAD Concourse Gallery

March 11–April 16, 2022

Reception: Friday, March 25, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Participants:

- [Allison Baker](#), Hamline University
- [Isabel Barbuzza](#), University of Iowa
- [Jamie Bertsch](#), University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- [Rachel Breen](#), Anoka Ramsey Community College
- [Shan Bryan-Hanson](#), St. Norbert College
- [Melissa Dorn](#), Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design
- [Alondra Garza](#) '21 MFA, Augsburg University and MCAD
- [Alison Gates](#), University of Wisconsin, Green Bay
- [Tracy Krumm](#), Maine College of Art and Metro State University
- [Rachel Merrill](#), Grand View University
- [Liz Miller](#), Mankato State University
- [Teresa Paschke](#) '85, Iowa State University

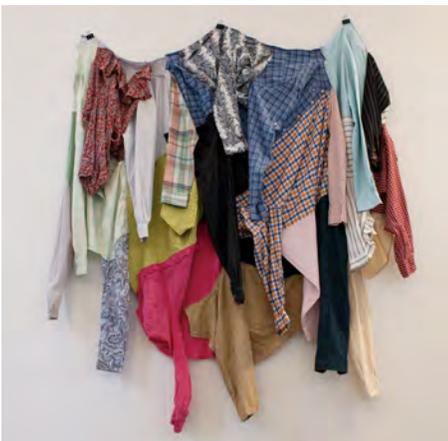
- [Erica Spitzer Rasmussen](#), Metro State University
- [Eun-Kyung Suh](#), University of Minnesota Duluth
- [Laura Wennstrom](#), Anoka Ramsey Community College and Bethel University

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**SELECTED PRESS IMAGES:**



Allison Baker  
*Viral Load*  
Steel, paper pulp, soft sculpture  
2019



Rachel Breen  
*Clothing for the Commons: Collective Garment #1*  
Used shirts and thread  
2021



Melissa Dorn  
*Untitled*  
Mop, foam, wood  
2021



Alison Gates  
*Hollyhocks: Ambition*  
Embroidery on printed cotton designed by H. Klebesadel  
2019



Liz Miller  
*Architectural Hyperbole 05*

Assorted rope, zip ties, and other mixed media on metal and plastic armature

2021

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