## May 2023 Newsletter | Thoughts and Gratitude

From the bottom of my heart, I want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who made it out or sent messages of support for The Ten Collective exhibition at the Textile Museum in Almonte. The response was incredible, almost overwhelming. I heard from many of you that the week prior to the show we were the talk of the town. It was the event to go to! It was estimated that between 1600-1800 people came out to the exhibition. Wow! Again, a huge thank you to everyone.



Throughout the two-day exhibition I heard many positive comments regarding the location, and the artwork. It was a fantastic show, wasn't it? There is a special magic in that old mill building. Early Saturday morning before anyone else was there I had the opportunity to take a slow walk around the show. I had time to really examine everything, to absorb the vibe created. There was diversity in the artwork, and an exceptional variety of styles and expressions. It was perfect, all of artwork came together as one voice, and with the lighting arrangements as the final touch, the show was ready. Beautiful. Surely there was something for everyone to admire and take home adding a new piece or two to their own art collections. "Hang onto your hats" I thought, this is going to be a very exciting event. And I was NOT wrong.



This year I had help from my daughter Liisa. She proved to be an invaluable asset as we worked together greeting people and talking about my work. I owe her a huge thank you.

I must also mention and thank each group member for doing their bit in making the show happen. The blogs, the fabulous artwork and in spreading the "word" for the event. A lot of work, yes, but so rewarding in the end.



Further, a big thank you goes out to the person, our leader of the group who has the vision, the determination, fortitude, and drive in organizing our eclectic group of artists, Eileen Hennemann. She is amazing! The best without a doubt! It is truly rewarding to be a part of such a wonderful group of artists.

In the coming weeks there will be some new additions to my website. Stay tuned and I will keep you posted here:>

Don't forget to also check out <u>thetencollective.com</u>. There are updates happening such as new gallery images for each group member. There are also videos of the 2023 show uploaded and ready for your <u>viewing here:></u>

If you have any further requests or questions, please feel free to send me a note. If you would like a private viewing of an artwork at your home or a visit to my studio, I will be happy to oblige. We can work from there.



