

## **SDA SWATCH COLLECTIONS**

What is a swatch? A swatch is an individual sample of an artist's work that shows their style, techniques, and materials. Swatch collections are used to inspire and educate participants and viewers of exhibitions, local meetings and more; they demonstrate the variety of types of fiber and textile that incorporates surface design by members of the Surface Design Association.

Created by SDA members, our current Swatch Collections include over 250 sample textiles in three separate collections. Each collection contains unique samples. Swatches are 12" x 12" and reflect the full range of surface design techniques.

Members can view/download Swatch Collection PowerPoint Presentations by logging in HERE

## TO REQUEST A SWATCH COLLECTION

Regional groups and individuals can request one of the Collections to review, or to display at regional meetings or workshops. Samples can be hung, or circulated for in-depth scrutiny. Contact <a href="mailto:info@surfacedesign.org">info@surfacedesign.org</a>.

SDA will arrange for shipping a collection to you. The Collection can be kept until someone else requests it and the group will be responsible for return shipping costs.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

Protect the collection. Samples are not available to keep or sell. Swatch Collections belong to the SDA community and are archived. It is never permissible to take a sample from the Collection.

The person who requested the Collection is responsible for return shipping by Priority Mail using a large US Mail pre-paid box. (about \$20 within the US; Canadian and International rates will vary). Follow the return shipping instructions carefully.

## **ADDING SWATCHES**

Members can add swatches or groups can start their own new collection! Please note, new swatches should be 11.5" x 11.5", no more than 1/4" thick to ensure they fit comfortably inside the box used for mailing and storage. Each swatch should have bound or zigzagged edges and a card attached to the back listing the artist's name, city/state/country of residence, website/social media, processes/techniques employed and materials

If you have questions or would like to arrange shipping, contact us at at info@surfacedesign.org.