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**CARTER SMITH SHIBORI INSTALLATION AT FULLER CRAFT  
“SHIBORI TREASURES”  
JANUARY 20 – MAY 6, 2007**

**Brockton, MA** – This winter Fuller Craft Museum will be filled with fabric. Textile artist Carter Smith will drape the Museum’s Merton and Alma Tarlow Gallery with yards and yards of his hand dyed silk fabrics in a solo installation of his work titled *Shibori Treasures*. On exhibit January 20 – May 6, 2007, the installation will feature new designs made using the Japanese method of shibori—techniques for dyeing cloth by binding, stitching, folding, twisting, and compressing the fabric in order to create unique patterns and imagery.

Carter Smith is best known for his making his dyed shibori fabrics into beautiful and daring fashions. His clothing has been featured in numerous magazines and worn by famous women such as Aretha Franklin and Elizabeth Taylor. His work is carried by numerous boutiques and designers such as Halston and Christian Dior, and has been exhibited in galleries and museums in the United States and Japan. The installation at Fuller Craft Museum is a chance for Carter to make an entirely new creation, one that reflects the importance of material for the maker.

Smith says, “Over the past twenty years I have put aside pieces that were too powerful to cut and make into anything. These pieces have survived intact and this exhibition is made up of such treasures. Too amazing and powerful to make into any garments, they can only be expressed as they are. They needed the big space with tall ceilings that Fuller Craft Museum provides. This will be the first time these pieces are shown in this type of environment. The theme for me of this exhibition is how textiles transform into feelings or better yet how feelings transform into textiles.”

***Carter Smith Images***

For high-resolution images of Carter Smith’s work please contact Kristin Villiotte at 508.588.6000 x118 or [communications@fullercraft.org](mailto:communications@fullercraft.org).

Fuller Craft Museum is located at 455 Oak Street in Brockton, MA. The Museum is open daily, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$8 adults, \$5 seniors and students, Free for members and children under 18.

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### **About Fuller Craft Museum**

Fuller Craft Museum, New England's home for contemporary craft, is dedicated to the objects, ideas, and insight that inspire both patrons and artists to explore life through the art of contemporary craft. Craft is an art discipline that is both intriguing and accessible. Its roots are in the creation of functional objects, but today, craft has come to be more closely aligned with the inspired ideas of artists who work primarily with their hands in materials that are tactile and familiar. Fuller Craft offers a collection, exhibitions, demonstrations, workshops and special events where you can literally touch the materials and objects. Fuller Craft Museum is the most exciting place to be in the world of contemporary craft.