

Dear Friends,

We write to invite you to make a contribution in support of the *Wille Sundqvist and Bill Coperthwaite Slöjd Fellowship Fund* via PayPal or check.....or carve a spoon for the on-line auction coming up in September!

The Fellowship was established in 2015 to honor the legacy of these two extraordinary individuals, their long friendship and their lifetime efforts to inspire others around the world to make things by hand, live simply and build a global community of handcraft. Bill Coperthwaite died in 2013 at age 83 and Wille Sundqvist died this past June at age 82.



Bill Coperthwaite



Wille Sundqvist

The *Wille Sundqvist and Bill Coperthwaite Slöjd Fellowship* serves to continue their legacies and is awarded annually to one or more craftspeople to further deepen the meaning, skills, and connections among those passionate about simple living and handmade objects. Each Fellowship award currently provides \$2,500 in financial support to green woodworkers and other craftspeople to travel from their home country and share their thinking about handcraft, showcase their skills and design work, further their own research, and deepen the international community of handcraft.

Seven individuals have been awarded the Fellowship, since it was established. The first went to Beth Moen from Siljansnäs, Sweden. Other recipients are JoJo Wood of Edale, U.K.; Peter Follansbee of Kingston, MA, USA; Jarrod Dahl of Ashland, WI, USA; Jane Mickelborough of Pempoulrot, France; Dave Fisher of Greenville, PA, USA; and Robin Wood of Edale, U.K.



Beth Moen



Fellowship recipients (clockwise from left rear): JoJo Wood, Jane Mickelborough, Dave Fisher, Peter Follansbee, Robin Wood, Jarrod Dahl. (photo by Marie Pelletier)

Each of these fine individuals are extraordinary craftspeople in the own right, but also share their skills widely, serve as mentors, make connections around the world and encourage others to see traditions of handcraft as a way to build community across diverse cultural and geographic boundaries.

Funding for each Fellowship comes from a dedicated endowment fund held at the North House Folk School. North House is the non-profit organizational partner for the Fellowship and donations to this fund are considered charitable contributions.

Our goal is to build the Fellowship Fund to \$75,000 to ensure at least one annual award. We hope you will consider a contribution to honor Wille and Bill and help us continue these awards long into the future!

Please make your contribution to the *Wille Sundqvist and Bill Coperthwaite Slöjd Fellowship Fund* (via check noting "Slöjd Fellowship Fund") and send to:

North House Folk School
P.O. Box 759
500 W. Highway 61
Grand Marias, MN 55604, USA

.....or you can make an on-line contribution via paypal.me/Slojdfellowship

Also, craftspeople and other Slöjders from around the world are invited to **make a spoon** in honor of Wille and Bill and contribute it to North House (same address as above) in time for their on-line auction to be held early this September. All proceeds from the sale of spoons will be added to *Slöjd Fellowship Fund*.

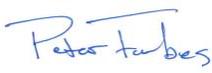
Questions can be directed to Peter Lamb at PeterLamb@kneetoknee.com or to Jögge Sundqvist at jogge@surolle.se or to Tom Morse at North House Folk School at tmorse@northhouse.org

Thanks for all the help you can give!

With gratitude,



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