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Wendy Weiss  
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**Department of Textiles, Clothing and Design  
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Faculty in the Department of Textiles, Clothing and Design (TCD) believe the strength of our academic program lies in our ability to integrate scientific, aesthetic and historic foundations in the study of textiles as we engage students in intellectual and creative discovery. The major goals of our teaching, research/creative and outreach programs are to enable persons to participate constructively in the public and private domains.

**International Quilt Study Center**

Patricia Crews, Director  
Carolyn Ducey, Curator

**Robert Hillestad Textiles Gallery**

Wendy Weiss, Director

***Recent Highlights – 2004***

- Harriet McLeod and Leon Caldwell (Educational Psychology) were awarded a CEHS Teaching Initiative grant of \$10,000 for the Ghana Exchange Project to expand collaboration with the University of Winneba to include Textiles, Clothing and Design.
- The International Quilt Student Center, under the direction of Patricia Crews, received a Getty Foundation award of \$175,000 for a catalogue research and preparation project.
- The University of Nebraska Board of Regents approved the program statement for an International Quilt Study Center Building. Target completion date is August, 2006.
- *Ignite*, a woven basket form by Barbara Trout, was selected from an international field of entries for The Handweavers Guild of America *Small Expressions 2004* juried exhibition and received honorable mention at Convergence 2004 in Denver.
- Shirley Niemeyer and the Integrated Pest Management team developed a manual and conducted training in Nebraska schools addressing best practices for janitorial professionals related to indoor air quality issues.
- Nancy Miller and Diane Vigna organized educational seminars for the Nebraska Apparel Store Association and the Specialty Stores network as a continuing part of the Fund for Rural America grant.
- Vince Quevedo was selected to design a garment for the Bernina International Fashion Show which will open at the International Quilt Festival in Houston in October, 2004. This is the fourth time Vince has been selected for this honor.
- "Traveler's Field," a new textile, sound and movement installation by Wendy Weiss and Jay Kremer debuted at Sinclair Community College Art Gallery in Dayton, Ohio.
- Yiqi Yang leads a team of researchers developing textiles using biomass, primarily from Nebraska materials. A patent is currently pending for a new cellulose fiber from cornhusk for textile and other applications.
- Exhibitions by students, faculty and world renowned artists are featured in the *Robert Hillestad Textiles Gallery*.
- Michael James exhibited a collection of new work in February at the University Place Art Center in Lincoln and in March at Galerie Jonas, Petit-Cortailod Switzerland, where he was the keynote speaker at the Swiss National Quilt Guild's annual meeting.
- Rita Kean, Dean of Undergraduate Studies, organized a mid-semester check with all freshman to support their first year experience. UNL is the first major university to undertake an effort of this scope.

Total grant dollars requested from external agencies in 2004 was \$1,536,336.