



## MAKING IT BETTER

*Folk Arts in Pennsylvania Today*

### Online Resources about artforms and artists

Under the theme **Shaping Community**:

#### **Diana Meng, Chinese Watercolor**

Information about Diana: <http://www.culturalpartnerships.org/fan/ChineseArtists/Meng.htm>

To watch a different artist demonstrating: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVAJfe3nTog>

#### **Antonella DiIanni, Italian Bobbin Lace Weaving**

Video of German Bobbin Lace Weaving. (The basics are the same, but the style is different):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5lZIPkx1dkk>

#### **The Grkmans, Slovenian Button Box Ensemble**

Their website: <http://www.grkmania.com/about.htm>

Grkmans on youtube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v98wbkWxaWU>

#### **George Orthey, Autoharps**

His website: <http://www.ortheyinstruments.com/>

Interview of George in his shop: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OIpmA2lPjFU>

#### **Paulett Simunich, Ukrainian Pysanky Eggs**

Video of another artist: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NuAG86mT9SM&feature=related>

Simple animated demo: <http://tostanoski.com/pysanky.html>

Under the theme **Living Creatively In Our World**

#### **Ken Ely, Stone Walls**

Beautiful film showing wall construction: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2HRoSA9YyO>

(Ken points out that this wall is, actually, not very well built. He recommends this video:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s\\_alpjnrI9o](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s_alpjnrI9o)

#### **Jymm Hoffman, Blacksmith**

Artist website: <http://www.hoffmansforge.com/>

Another artist video demo: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bnW0aypbdj8&feature=related>

#### **Tim Schloss, Taxidermy**

Artist website: <http://www.timschlosstaxidermy.com/>

Another taxidermist video demo:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3qC7hOOEX8&feature=related>

#### **Ross Shourds, Wood Decoys**

Artist website: <http://www.shourds-carvings.com/>

Video of Ross in early stage of carving: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vSw81R1dats>

#### **Pang Xiong Sirirathasuk Sikoun, Hmong Needlework**

Info about artist: [http://www.folkloreproject.org/folkarts/artists/sikoun\\_p/index.php](http://www.folkloreproject.org/folkarts/artists/sikoun_p/index.php)

## Under the theme **Practicing Spirituality:**

### **Jerry Jumba, Carpatho-Rusyn Chants**

Artist website: <http://www.ruskyjmuzykanty.com/band.html> - jerry

Artist on youtube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pE5eIpjX90M>

### **Susan Leviton, Jewish Paper Cutting**

Time lapse film of another artist's demo: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=byHa2cSz82Y&NR=1>

## Under the theme **Creating Social Change and Awareness:**

### **Frito Bastien, Haitian Painting**

Artist information: [http://www.folkloreproject.org/folkarts/artists/bastien\\_f/index.php](http://www.folkloreproject.org/folkarts/artists/bastien_f/index.php)

### **POSE II, Graffiti**

Artist website: <http://posetwo.com/>

### **Losang Samten, Tibetan Mandala**

Artist website: <http://www.losangsamten.com/>

Video of Samten: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KAxcS1DsuiM>

### **Spiral Q , Community Pageantry and Puppetry**

Ensemble website: <http://www.spiralq.org/>

Video of ensemble: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M0xLGLuMEys>

## Under the theme **Wellbeing and Health:**

### **Brujo de la Mancha, Aztec Instruments and Dance**

Artist website: <http://www.brujodelamancha.com/>

Video of artist, his performance starts at 4:45:

[http://www.loc.gov/today/cyberlc/feature\\_wdesc.php?rec=4620](http://www.loc.gov/today/cyberlc/feature_wdesc.php?rec=4620)

### **David Castano, Wood Carver**

Info on artist: [http://www.cameroncountychamber.org/David\\_Castano.htm](http://www.cameroncountychamber.org/David_Castano.htm)

### **Vera Nakonechny, Ukrainian Rushnyk**

Info on artist: <http://www.pcah.us/fellowships/> (then click on artist profiles)