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**NEVADA CITY, CALIFORNIA:**

**New Venue for Fine Art in  
Historic Sierra Gold Rush Town**

***Accepted to Attend Prestigious SOFA Expo, Chicago***

Stone sculptor John Mowen and photographer Steve Solinsky had long noted the need for a high profile art venue in Nevada City. In 2004 they combined their energy to co-create Mowen-Solinsky Gallery. Renovating the interior of an 1870's building presented both challenges and opportunities: the aesthetics were there, as was the need for hard work to transform the gallery space. Installing cherry wood floors, movable walls and opening all other barriers created a light and sophisticated venue for the 80+ national and regional artists who exhibit at Mowen-Solinsky Gallery. Over 2600 sq ft is dedicated to exhibiting fine contemporary art in diverse mediums: glass, painting, ceramics, pastels, jewelry, fine woodworking, photography, sculpture, mixed media and fiber are each thoroughly represented.

Mowen-Solinsky Gallery is located only a stone's throw from Sacramento or Lake Tahoe regions, in the heart of picturesque downtown Nevada City. This historic gold-rush town, already noted for historic ambiance, arts, fine dining and shopping, now has a focal gallery for fine arts.

Mowen-Solinsky Gallery has been accepted at the prestigious SOFA Expo in Chicago for Fall, 2005. The Gallery will represent at this important event sculptors John Mowen, Ernest Caballero, as well as fine furniture maker, Robert Erickson, in addition to other noteworthy sculptors.

Mowen-Solinsky Gallery is located at 225 Broad Street in Nevada City, California. For details, visit [www.mowensolinskygallery.com](http://www.mowensolinskygallery.com), or call 530.265.4682

**Exhibit details follow....**



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## UPCOMING EXHIBITS

**October 28-30, Chicago, Illinois**

**SOFA Expo:** The International Expositions of Sculpture Objects and Functional Art

Visit SOFAEXPO.com for full show information.

**November 18 - December 31 Nevada City, California**

**Mowen-Solinsky Gallery**

**Gerry Chase, Fiber Assemblages**

Reception with artist Friday November 18 from 6-9pm

### **Artist Background:**

Gerry Chase is a full-time artist, maintaining a studio in Nevada County. She is an active member of The Contemporary QuiltArt Assoc. and Northwest Designer Craftsmen. Awards include: Crafts National, Quilt National and Tactile Architecture IV '97. Her work has been profiled in numerous art publications, such as American Craft, Beautiful Things and Fine Art Quilts Work by Artists of the Contemporary QuiltArt Assoc. Additionally, Gerry Chase has participated in exhibitions throughout the United States for more than decade. Chase's work is included in permanent collections, among which are The Kamm Collection and The Brackensiek Collection—both of Los Angeles, California. Gerry Chase is represented by Mowen-Solinsky Gallery and Foster/White Gallery, Kirkland Washington.

### **Artist Statement:**

*“In my fiber assemblages I draw liberally from the conventions of the American quilting tradition....While my methods vary, I often create a “canvas” using fabric and thread as well as quilt construction techniques, and then apply acrylic paint or pastel directly to the unsized cloth. My love of the drawn line led me to discover that by combining an ink-filled tjantling tool and the absorbency of cotton sheeting, I could produce a line that was delicious to my sensibilities. And the experience had some element of thrill, something like the challenge of a musical performance where you get only one chance.”*

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