

ARTISTS in ACTION Harrogate

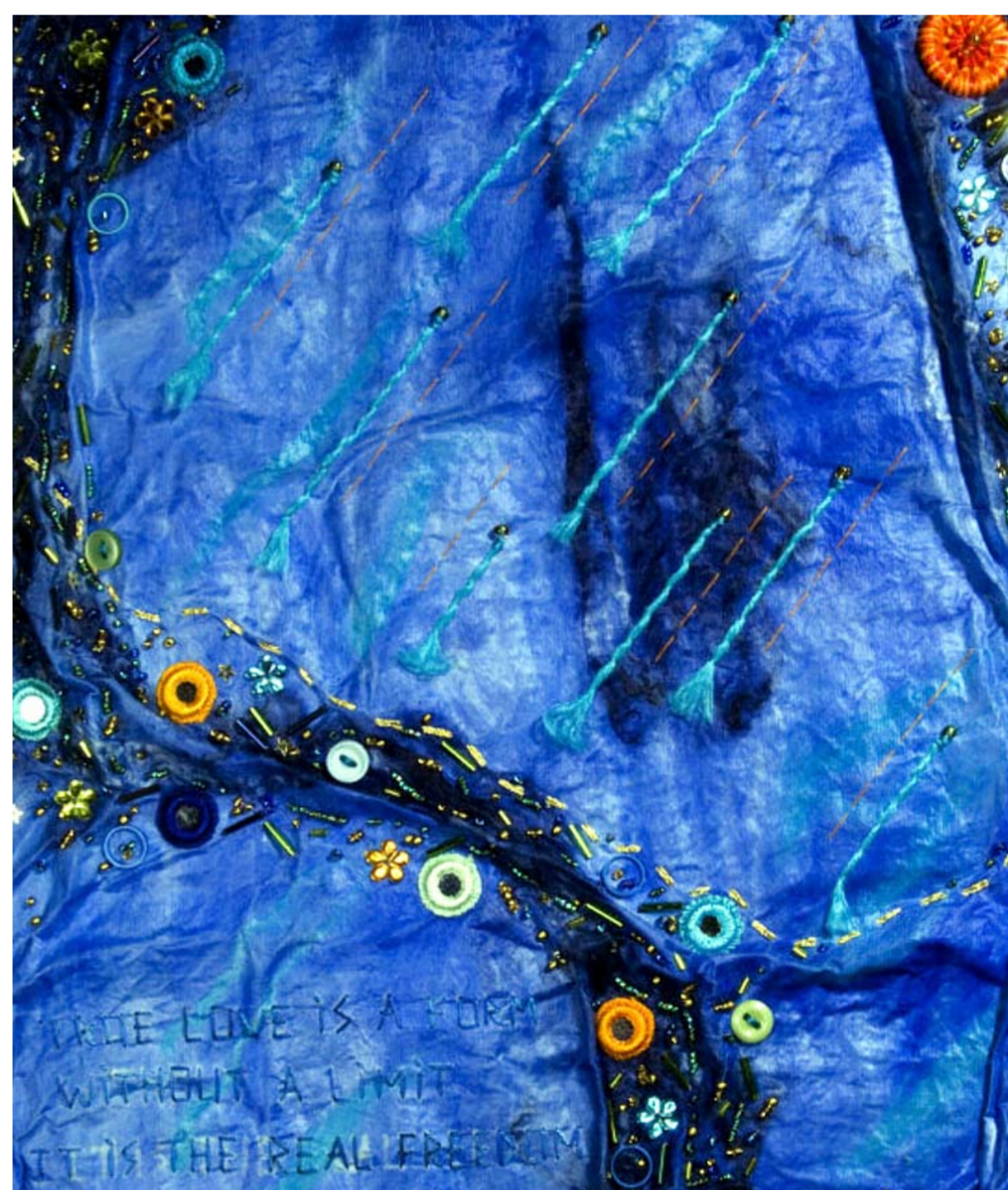
Catherina Petit-van Hoey

Catherina has practised textile arts and crafts for almost 30 years and spends most of her time working as a freelance textile artist.

She is a member of various art and textile related groups, like the Herts Visual Arts Textile Group, Easter Region Textile Forum and the Embroiderers' Guild, and so regularly exhibits her work.

Preferring to use techniques which best suit a particular piece rather than specialising too much in the use of a certain method, Catherina will use a wide variety of stitch and fabric manipulation techniques. *"I like to play with pure, bright colours as they not only express my joy for life, but every colour is a real source of energy. Sometimes though I work in simple white and gold to give expression to a stiller, more inward energy."*

Most of her work is inspired by poetry, philosophy and insights gathered through more than 30 years of meditation practise, and for which she often incorporates text in one form or another and frequent use of symbolic imagery.



Catherina's work ranges from installations, 3D objects, framed and mounted 2D work, to applied art forms such as bags, cushions, book covers, etc. with work in private collections in the UK, the Netherlands, France and the USA.

Catherina undertakes commissions for public and private collections and gives tailor-made workshops on request.

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