

WHAT'S HOT AT HAT WORKS

Stockport's Hat Works museum is set to unveil the latest in its series of 'What's Hot' exhibitions.

These displays explore the best in contemporary millinery, ranging from Haute Couture designers to millinery students.

This new exhibition for 2007 entitled 'Lifelines', showcases the work of final year millinery students at Leeds College of Art and Design. As part of the research for these pieces the students explored the adornment of the head through the past and developed this through to a vision for the future.

They experimented with a wide range of materials used in millinery, both traditionally and within contemporary methods. Underlying this work was the concept of re-using or recycling whilst creating a statement piece of headwear.

All the projects are drawn from the lifelines theme and the display will feature a white veil, made by Elizabeth Pennock, a modern bridal piece made from recycled materials. Also on display will be creation by Harriet Steele, which uses leather from old coats and the old fashioned millinery technique of wire work to create an elegant contemporary piece.

The free exhibition is installed on the Gallery Floor of Hat Works and opened on Monday 8th January and will be on display until Sunday 15th April.

For more information call Hat Works on 0845 833 0975 or email bookings.hatworks@stockport.gov.uk

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(a) Pictured is the bridal piece by Elizabeth Pennock.

(b) Pictured is the recycled leather creation by Harriet Steele.