

# **Press Release**

## **Auburn: Community Center Gallery**

### **Rachel Barnes**

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The City of Auburn and the Auburn Arts Commission are pleased to present the work of Rachel Barnes at the Community Center Gallery, on view September 4<sup>th</sup> – November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Rachel Barnes is a fiber artist based in the greater Seattle area who creates rug installations for walls with eye-catching bright colors and varied pile heights to add interest. She not only presents art pieces but provides an experience. The tactile nature of her work is one that the audience will experience dimension while viewing, but also be drawn in and want to touch the soft, fluffy texture and have a multi-sense encounter with the work. Intrigued by expressing complex and entertaining ideas through color and texture, She has been inspired to create collections addressing symbols in dreams, other colorful imaginary worlds, and lexical gaps in English that are succinctly explained in other languages. Her goal as an artist is to bring color and texture into the fabric of everyday life to encourage creativity, bridge gaps, and bring people together through the messiness of it all.



“Mamihlapinatapei,” Rachel Barnes, 2023

**Community Center Gallery, Auburn Community & Event Center**, 910 Ninth Street SE, Auburn, WA 98002

The gallery is viewable Mon-Fri 7-8 and Sat 8-4.

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This art installation is coordinated through the City of Auburn, Parks, Arts & Recreation Department and with the support of the Auburn Arts Commission.

**Questions?** Contact Allison Hyde, Arts Program Supervisor or [ahyde@auburnwa.gov](mailto:ahyde@auburnwa.gov).

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