

*Handwoven and Spin-Off Celebrate Spinning and Weaving Week*  
Handspun •Handwoven •Hometown  
The Downtown Scarf Project  
October 5-11



The community of Loveland is well known for its public arts programs. Most visible are the statues that adorn the city. Lesser known is the large concentration of handweavers and spinners who make beautiful cloth.

The Downtown Scarf Project: Handspun Handwoven Hometown is a celebration of the joy of homemade comfort—making yarn and cloth by hand. With the permission of the City of Loveland and the individual artists, handspinners and weavers in Loveland and surrounding communities will adorn sculptures in downtown Loveland on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> streets between North Railroad Avenue and North Washington Avenue during National Spinning and Weaving Week, October 4-10.

Homemade comforts are one of the simplest pleasures in life. In order to offer some small reassurance to families who find themselves without a place to call their own, the scarves will be donated to the Interfaith Hospitality Network's Angel House. In addition, there will be a Silent Auction of handmade scarves on October 9 in conjunction with Loveland's Night on the Town. Proceeds will be donated to Angel House.

In Loveland, homelessness is not readily apparent. Most families take refuge in the home of a relative or friend, stay in substandard motels, or sleep in their vehicles. Thanks to Interfaith Hospitality Network, a Family Promise program, Angel House and Angel Village can provide a chance for homeless families to get back on their feet and become self-sufficient once again.

The project is organized by Interweave and the Northern Colorado Weavers Guild with support from the Loveland Arts Commission. Interweave is located in downtown Loveland and is one of the nation's largest craft media companies with businesses in magazine and book publishing, interactive media, broadcast programming, and events for craft enthusiasts. The Northern Colorado Weavers Guild was founded in 1973, as a nonprofit educational organization devoted to sharing knowledge and skills in all aspects of the fiber arts. For more information, please contact Liz Gipson at 970-622-8284 or Pattie Graver at [pgraver@interweave.com](mailto:pgraver@interweave.com).