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ICOM Costume Chair,
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Dear ICOM Costume Friends and Members,

I hope you are all doing well and taking good care of yourself.

I am very happy to announce that the 2020 *WOMEN IN MOTION AWARD FOR PHOTOGRAPHY* has been given to SABINE WEISS. Born in 1924 in Switzerland, Sabine Weiss took to photography at an early age. After a three-year apprenticeship with Paul Boissonnas in Geneva, she became the assistant to Willy Maywald, a German photographer specializing in fashion and portraits in 1946. After marrying American painter Hugh Weiss in 1950, she launched her career as an independent photographer, and frequented the post-war arts world. She also worked on a long-term basis for the likes of *Vogue*, the *New York Times Magazine*, *Life*, *Newsweek*, *Point de Vue-Images du Monde*, *Paris Match*, *Esquire* and *Holiday*. Along with her assignments for French and international magazines, Sabine Weiss also worked until the 2000s for numerous institutions and brands, providing a variety of reportage, fashion shoots, advertising pictures, celebrity portraits and photographs of social issues.

Still active today, Sabine Weiss is a prolific artist ; at the age of 96, she has probably enjoyed the longest career of any photographer, having devoted nearly 80 years to her art.



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Queen Sirikit Museum of Textiles in Bangkok and the Faculty of Fine and Applied Arts at the Thammasat University (Thailand) is organizing an online international conference 'Inside-out, Outside-in: The Cross-cultural exchange in weaving practice and the new normal after COVID-19'.

From December 1, 2020 Until December 3, 2020, three main topics will be addressed during the 3 day conference: 1. Conversation in textiles, dress and related areas; 2. Cultural exchange in textiles, dress and related areas; 3. New Ways of teaching, learning and presenting textiles and dress.

You are invited to join the upcoming conference. Please register:

<http://www.qsmthailand.org/news/international-online-conference/>



Batik, Yogyakarta, QSMT, 2014.1.2©Queen Sirikit museum of Textiles, 2018

Please do not hesitate to contact the committee for sharing news, curiosities and announcements. Let's keep our spirits up and enjoy these challenging times as much as possible. You can follow the regular activities of the committee and its members and more news about the museums world dedicated to dress, fashion and textiles on our social networks (Linkedin Costume Group, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram Costume accounts). Not to forget Costume mini site: www.costume.mini.icom.museum

Kindly yours,

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