



**Title:** PASSAGE

**Artist:** Donald Sunshine and JoAnna Sunshine

It is intended that this installation, as a destination, will provide a joyful experience leading to a special place.

**Artist Biography:** DONALD SUNSHINE FAIA, Professor Emeritus of Architecture, Virginia Tech, is an award-winning architect, author and artist. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, past president of the Virginia Society American Institute of Architects, and Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Arizona. In addition to the many buildings he has designed, and his six books, his architecture and art has been widely exhibited. Prior exhibits include Chicago's Art Institute and the Museum of Science and Industry, as well as exhibits in Virginia, Florida, and Hawaii. "My architecture, sketching, painting, sculpture and writing are interrelated and a life's pursuit, as well as a way of seeing, and a means of commentary."

JOANNA SUNSHINE - Bypassing traditional weaving, she is passionate about experimentation and discovery. She not only uses fiber in her art, but also uses handmade papers, objects from nature, and found objects. She seeks to transform unlikely materials into art. Her work has been influenced by John Cage's Chance Operations, Leonardo Fibonacci's mathematical progressions, Bauhaus artist Anni Albers, and the large scale, awe inspiring pieces of Magdalena Abakanowicz.

Their work has been selected for numerous juried exhibits including The Virginia Museum of Fine Art, The Chrysler Museum, University of Illinois, Savannah College of Art and Design, and the Art Galleries of Virginia Tech. Sunshine says, “For me the satisfaction of the work results from the doing . . . the interest is in the search and experimentation of technique, media, and spatial elements, spontaneity, investigation, intuition, surprise, learning, and doing . . . always doing.”

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The Sunshines visiting with a couple of VT students enjoying Passages.

