

Jhane Barnes

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Jhane Barnes bought her first loom in 1978 and quickly became known for her innovative textiles, leading to her entree into the contract textile market. Partnering with textile mills around the world, Jhane developed signature textile techniques, some using top-secret technologies, that she applied to menswear and contract interior textiles. Jhane began working with Anzea in 2009 when her contract woven textiles became distributed exclusively through Anzea. Jhane continues to do design work for Tandus Flooring and Bernhardt Furniture.

Jhane says, "The design process is more built around tools than around drawing. I have always liked using machines as design tools. For example, I enjoy designing woven fabrics, because I get to work in a logical way to set up a loom so that it weaves a design that I intend. Thus, I don't literally draw the design of the fabric; rather, I create the circumstances under which the design appears. This is an indirect way of designing, in which I have control over the design but do not literally use fine motor skills to draw it."

