

Basic Detail Report



**...she loved animals said she wanted to
take care of them when she grew up...
(...when they grow up...)**

Date

2017

Primary Maker

Ebony Patterson

Medium

Hand-cut jacquard woven photo tapestry with beads, appliques, broaches, glitter, trim, fabric flowers, unicorn heads, fabric wallpaper, and candy

Description

A circular woven and embellished tapestry, tacked to a wall over a background of pink polka-dot fabric. Included on the wall are two three-dimensional unicorn heads; directly under the tapestry on the floor is 20-30 pounds of individually-wrapped candy pieces. To create the tapestry, the artist held a photoshoot with individuals and had their images printed onto a jacquard woven tapestry through Walmart. She then modified the tapestry by cutting holes, sewing on ribbons and tassels, and adding jewelry and glitter. The tapestry is heavily reinforced with clear glue to maintain its shape. The candy is replacable and is not original to the first installation. In the imagery, Patterson subtly memorializes the death of innocents who were killed in her birthplace of Kingston, Jamaica, as well as her current home in Chicago. The tapestry's holes signify gunshots.

Dimensions

8 × 8.75 ft. (243.8 × 266.7 cm)