

# ANCESTORS' KNOWLEDGE CONTINUES

“The knowledge of weaving techniques, basket designs and local plants is preserved for the next generations. The plant fibers are still harvested: red cedar, tule (reeds), cattail, sedge grasses, dogbane, and other grasses and reeds. Strong twined baskets are important in food gathering and storage. Coiled baskets, using split cedar roots, are designed for berry and fruit harvest. Some are tightly coiled and used for cooking. Weavers know that dogbane and cedar repel insects. The weavers are artists, and the utilitarian baskets reflect designs with figures and motifs inspired by their environment.”

## CO-CURATING ARTIST

Pat Courtney Gold is a Wasco Native and internationally exhibited master weaver.

