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summer. The kites shown here will be flown over Winooski River Saturday.

HIGHLIGHTS

Kites Over the River

"My work has changed," says Katherine Pond, known previously for her sculpture in front of the Fletcher Free Library and large metal pieces on display at Vermont galleries. "This summer I have been designing, building and flying kites."

The artist will fly her kites, made of nylon ordinarily used for spinnaker sails, over the Winooski River Saturday between 11 and 12 during the Winooski Renaissance Festival.

"My interest in kites began this winter while I lived in Paris. Many European artists are making and flying kites," she said. "It's a real performance art form."

She worked for a month to get her design to fly, finally adapting a Thai Serpent kite. "It gave me the most space for graphics. The longest kite is 50 feet including the tail and most have three tails," she said. "The colors are very vibrant, red, purple, white and blue, exciting when you see them in the air."

