Google Weaving Stop-Time is a collective hand weaving project created by Emelie Röndahl for the 4th Istanbul Design Biennial, organised by the Istanbul Foundation for Culture and Arts and curated by Jan Boelen under the theme “A School of Schools”. The project has brought together weavers from all over the world who have responded to a social media invitation to weave.

The weavings are all based on images from a google search for “textile labor Turkey”. An image has been selected by each artist and transformed into time consuming hand woven textiles. The ghiordes knot used in each weaving has been used in traditional textiles for ages in Sweden and Turkey (among many other places).

Google Weaving Stop-Time is an overwhelming material encounter that presents a very physical image of textile labor, tradition, tacit knowledge and hand craft. It hopes to evoke questions regarding how much we let Google influence our everyday life and our perception of the world.

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