

*Chiara and the thread of light. The oral transmission of art by the weaves of byssus.*

**Spazio San Pancrazio – piazza Arsenale 1**

**Citadel of Museums - Cagliari**

**Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

**They can't be sold nor bought. They are extraordinary works of art rich in twists that shine like gold. Ever heard of the byssus yarn?** In order to discover the secrets of a one-of-a-kind art, Sardinian Museums Organization director Giovanna Damiana, on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., at the Spazio San Pancrazio in the Citadel of Museums in Cagliari, will present the temporary exhibition under the name of "*Chiara and the thread of light. The oral transmission of art by the weaves of byssus*". The director of the National Pinacoteca of Cagliari, Marcella Serreli, will meet with Chiara Vigo, the last expert in marine byssus that still works in the traditional way. The artist, after having desalinated the "beard" of Pinna Nobilis, the largest bivalve in the Mediterranean, brushed it, dyed and threaded it, and the linen material was then handmade into a rare beauty of great value.