

Quiltopia: A Weekend of Quilting Events in Salem, Oregon

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Quiltopia is an annual quilt festival that will inspire you to learn the joys of using textiles in a traditional and/or contemporary art form. It will take place October 1-3 at several venues in Salem.

Greenbaum's Quilted Forest and the Help Autism Now Society (HANS) are the leading forces in creating this festival. It started as The Quilted Cottage Tour eleven years ago, a major fundraiser for HANS. The event was so successful that the organizers decided to create a festival that would incorporate other quilt related activities. Linda Lee, co-founder and Executive Director of HANS, says, "I could never imagine how important the Cottage Tour has been in helping raise funds and heightening the awareness of Autism in our community. We are excited about being an integral part of this festival and having an opportunity to touch more people."

The three-day festival includes a variety of activities, which includes the Quilted Forest Quilt Show at the Willamette Heritage Center. This event will educate the novice to the experienced quilter on the role quilting has played in our heritage and the enrichment of our lives. Sylvia Dorney, President of Greenbaum's Quilted Forest, envisions the festival becoming a major attraction for the Salem area. "I believe it can have over time an economic impact similar to the Sister's Quilt Show, and at the same time showcase the many historical treasures we have in Salem."

The following quilting events take place the weekend of October 1-3, 2010:

Quilt Show at the Mill (Willamette Heritage Center, Salem, OR)

Friday- Saturday, October 1-3, 10 am – 5 pm, Sunday Noon -5pm.

Tickets \$3.00 at door. Opportunity to show, sell, buy and view quilts and quilt tops. October 1 through October 3 vendors on site. **Carol Kurth** is the featured quilter. Come see her whimsical quilts.



Quilted Lectures/Demonstrations

Friday-Sunday, October 1-3, 10am – 4 pm. Keep checking. Signups on website start 9/1. **Karla Alexander** will teach methods to make the pictured quilt using her new rulers.



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Handweaver's Show and Sale at the Mill (Willamette Heritage Center)

Friday-Saturday, October 1-2, 10 am-5 pm, Free

Greenbaum's Quilted Forest – Come visit our award winning shop. We were chosen as one of the top 20 quilt shops in the US and Canada by *American Patchwork and Quilting*, a division of Better Homes & Gardens. We will be hanging the "Whirled Peas" Quilt Challenge on September 16th. It will be in the shop through Quiltopia, October 3rd.

Quilt Turning Willamette Heritage Center

Saturday, October 3. Free. Look for upcoming information at

<http://www.quiltedforest.com>

Deepwood

Saturday, October 2nd - Quilters' Tea

What's in a Name? Identifying and Documenting our Quilts

\$30 Reservations Required - limited seating 10:00 AM; 12:00AM; 2:00 PM

In addition to a sumptuous tea, guests will be treated to a presentation and display of New York Beauty quilts (also called Rocky Mountain Road quilts), and tour of an incredible 1894 Queen Ann Victorian home – filled with vintage quilts

Sunday, October 3rd – Quilt Documentation and Private Tea & Tour

\$15 Reservations Required – very limited availability; scheduled at ½ hour intervals

Have your quilt documented as part of the Oregon Quilt Project! Each session takes about 30 minutes. Following each session, quilt owner and two guests are invited in for private tea & scones and a tour of Deepwood and the vintage quilts on display in this historic home on the National Register of Historic Places. What a great way to have fun with a couple of quilt friends and support the work of the Oregon Quilt Project at the same time!

Quilt owners may request copies of documentation forms and photographs to be mailed under separate cover.

Special note: a portion of registration fees for both events will be donated to the Oregon Quilt Project

Bush House Vintage Quilt Show (at Bush House)

October 1-3, Noon-4 pm, Tickets \$3.00 pre-registration at Quilted Forest Website – \$4.00 at door. <http://www.quiltedforest.com>.

September 28-October 10. Featured artists Bonnie Hull and Kay Worthington will display their art quilts. <http://www.quiltedforest.com>

“Whirled Peas” at Greenbaum's Quilted Forest, September 16- October 3, Free

For more information on attending these events call Greenbaum’s Quilted Forest at 503-363-7973 or visit their web site <http://www.quiltedforest.com>.

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