

La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum Current Exhibits:

July 1-September 27, 2009. La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum presents two new exhibits: “Contemporary Concepts: The Fiber Quest” with Fiber Optix, a Northwest textile artist group and “Color Me Wearable: Celebrating Individual Style” with works by the Fidalgo Island Quilters Wearable Art Divas. Reception to meet the Divas, Saturday, July 11, 11:00 am – 2 pm. Reception to meet Fiber Optix, Sunday, July 12, 1-4 pm. Also on display are quilts and textiles from our permanent collection. Admission \$5.00 per person, members and children under 12, free. Museum Hours: Wed-Sun, 11 pm-5 pm. La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, 703 South 2nd St., PO Box 1270, La Conner, WA 98257 Phone: 360-466-4288 website: www.laconnerquilts.com

Textile Enrichment Series at the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum in July:

The Power of Art and Stitch with Gail Harker. Wednesday, July 29, 2009; 1-3 pm. \$10.00, includes admission to Museum exhibits. Gail Harker, founder of the Gail Harker Creative Studies Center in Oak Harbor, will be speaking and presenting slides of her students work that show the colors, textures, patterns and designs of the unique work that they create. The Gail Harker Creative Studies Center has had nearly 1000 students from all parts of North America and Europe who have come to take Certificate and Diploma courses. The unexpected journey of the past 30 years has led Gail from Great Britain to the Northwest U.S.A. in 1994. Who would have thought that art, design and stitch could be such a compelling factor? Gail’s own study and teaching for London City and Guilds has led her on an unforgettable adventure of a lifetime. Come join us for an afternoon of inspiration. Museum Hours: Wed-Sun, 11 pm-5 pm. La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, 703 South 2nd St., PO Box 1270, La Conner, WA 98257 Phone: 360-466-4288 website: www.laconnerquilts.com

Call for Entries

Quilt Fest 2009, is being held October 2, 3, & 4 this year. We are looking for your award-winning quilts! You’re invited to show your quilt or garment that has won a blue ribbon (or red, white or honorable mention) in a major show such as AQS, IQA, APNQ, or any of the other major juried, judged shows, or a winner from a major contest or challenge such as (but not limited to) Hoffman Challenge, Sulky Challenge, or Bernina Fashion Show. *These award-winning quilts will be the main attraction of the Museum’s largest and most vital fundraising event of the year.* Forms may be downloaded at our website www.laconnerquilts.com Click on the Quilt Fest tab; the Call For Entries pdf is at the bottom of the page. Call 360-466-4288 for more information.

About La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum: Celebrating its eleventh anniversary this year, the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum is the only quilt museum in Washington State. The Museum is housed in the Gaches Mansion, which was built in 1891 and is listed as a National Historic Landmark. We are located at 703 South 2nd Street, La Conner, WA. Museum hours are Wednesday-Sunday, 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. Phone 360-466-4288; mail at PO Box 1270, La Conner, WA 98257-1270; email info@laconnerquilts.com; website www.laconnerquilts.com

Quilt Fest 2009, sponsored by La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, is scheduled for October 2, 3, & 4. The event takes place in three venues over three days: Maple Hall, the Civic Garden Club and the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum. Hours are 10am – 5pm daily. The Quilt Fest includes Workshops with teachers: Opal Cocke, Janet Foster, Judy Irish, Miwako Kimura, Anita Luvera Mayer, and Kazuko Yoshiura. Quilt Fest also features a Silent Auction, Specialty Vendors, and a Quilt Walk in local La Conner shops by members of the Contemporary QuiltArt Association. \$10 per person includes admission to all venues, including the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, located at 703 S. 2nd St., La Conner, WA 98257. Phone 360-466-4288; mail PO Box 1270, La Conner, WA 98257; info@laconnerquilts.com www.laconnerquilts.com

▪ Award-Winning Quilt Show:

Our show this year features quilts that have won awards at national & international shows or contests. Quilt exhibits and specialty vendors will be featured at Maple Hall, the Quilt & Textile Museum, and the Civic Garden Club.

▪ Silent Auction:

This enjoyable auction, held every day throughout Quilt Fest, offers quilting & other textile treasures and all sorts of goodies. Please join in the fun!

▪ Exhibits at La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum:

2nd floor -- “Play with Your Food: The Delicious Quilts of Sandy Bonsib,” by Washington textile artist & author, Sandy Bonsib

3rd floor – “As the Needle Turns: Nancy’s Needlers” students of Nancy Chong, Northwest quilters

▪ Textile Workshops:

Opal Cocke – “*Quilt Journaling*”

Janet Foster – “*Beading on Cloth*,” “*Cabochon on Cloth*,” and “*Spiral Crochet Bracelet*”

Judy Irish – “*Woven Quilt with Appliqué*,” “*A Bag of Tricks*”

Miwako Kimura – “*Sashiko Basic*” (with Kazuko Yoshiura), and “*Sashiko Advanced*”(with Kazuko Yoshiura), and “*Japanese Kamon Appliqué & Kamon Pattern Making*”

Anita Mayer -- “*Mud Pies for Adults*” and “*Scarves for All Seasons*”

Kazuko Yoshiura – “*Sashiko Basic*” (with Miwako Kimura), and “*Sashiko Advanced*” (with Miwako Kimura)

Call 360-466-4288 to register for these workshops.

▪ Quilt Walk:

Quilts by members of “Contemporary QuiltArt Association” throughout participating downtown La Conner shops, Sept. 1- October 4

The annual “**Quilt Fest 2009**” is La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum's major fundraiser, supporting the non-profit's operation and expenses throughout the year. As the only quilt museum in Washington, we fulfill the vital function of preserving and promoting the quilting and textile arts, from traditional to contemporary.