

2009  
Empire  
QuiltFest  
October 17 and 18



**Shenendehowa High School East**  
970 Route 146  
Clifton Park, NY 12065

**Saturday, October 17, 2009 - 9 am to 4 pm**  
**Sunday October 18, 2009 - 10 am to 4 pm**  
Show set up on Friday, October 16th  
Admission: one-day \$6, two-day \$10,  
children under 12 \$3  
Group discounts available

Luncheon Lectures Saturday and Sunday

## Voyage of Discovery

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Join us in celebrating our craft; this show is not juried and is open to all New York quilters. Our aim is to strengthen and sustain quilt guilds and quilting for everyone. We are inclusive - no New York guild or person will be denied participation in this show. Further, we want to foster the fun that is quilting and encourage new quilters. Thanks to all those who have participated, entered, and attended our last four shows. Your continued support ensures the success of this show.

With this year's theme, "Voyage of Discovery," the Empire QuiltFest joins in the celebration of Henry Hudson historic voyage up the Hudson 400 years ago. This quadricentennial anniversary will be marked with many events highlighting the local area. Our show aims to show how quilting can be a "voyage" of self-discovery, how studying antique quilts can lend insight into the lives of those who came before us, and how learning about modern forms of quilting can teach us about ourselves and point to the future.

Each luncheon is \$20 per person; sandwich of your choice, chips, fruit salad, cookie, and beverage. Starts at noon.

### Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009

#### *New York Quilts through History*

These expert collectors will explore the history of New York quilts through a trunk show of their beautiful antique quilts. This presentation will feature quilts exhibiting the styles and fabrics of different time periods.

### Marilyn Bradley, Deb Grana, and Linda Miller

Each of these collectors expresses a deep interest and love of antique quilts. Their enthusiasm has resulted in extensive and impressive collections, items from which have been shown at the Vermont Quilt Festival in 2005 and 2007. They will also be contributing to the VQF's 2009 show.

For many years, Marilyn, Deb, and Linda have studied textile history to learn more about the quilts and those who made them, in addition to taking classes on how to date and appraise quilts. Such pursuits have resulted in expertise in the materials, techniques, and skills used by quiltmakers of the past to produce such beautiful results.

These collectors are also quilters and each is active in local area quilt study groups that research and document antique quilts. They each express a connection and appreciation to the legacies of the women whose stories are stitched into these quilts.

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### Sunday, Oct. 18, 2009

#### *Our Journey to Art Quilts*

This accomplished group of quilters will be showing both their earliest attempts at art quilts and their most recent creations. They will describe the course of their exploration: "It has been a bit of a bumpy journey but we hope it will encourage you to try your hand at venturing into art quilts."

### R.A.T.S. - Retired Art Teachers Sew

Around 1997, a group of art teachers who had recently retired and who knew each other during their teaching days, began meeting to engage in their shared interest in quilting. They began their exploration by learning all the techniques of quilting that they could handle and soon began excursions into the realm of Art Quilts. Initially, there were six members, but in 2001 Jeanette Pace died leaving five: Pat Clahasse, Libby Lee, Betty Koban, Betty Martin, and Edie Smith.

The R.A.T.S. meet each week at each other's houses for critiques and encouragement and sometimes gossip. They discuss ideas and techniques for art quilts and push each other to take the leap to try something different. They have had success in selling and showing their work, but these accomplishments do not measure success. Rather, they say, "our success is measured by the challenges we give each other to continue making artwork, because we can't come to a meeting without anything to show."

# Enter a Quilt

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This is not a juried show; all entries from New York State quilters are welcome. Organizers would like to extend the invitation and opportunity to have your quilt judged. An experienced and trained judge will honestly and constructively critique your quilt on its own merits. You will be given suggestions on how to improve what you have done and given a better understanding of how and why a quilt is considered a quality piece.

## *Quilt Registration*

The deadline for registration is Aug. 15, 2009. No exceptions. If your project is not finished at the time of registration, but you anticipate it will be for the show, we advise you to submit the forms. Additional forms are available on our website at [www.empirequiltfest.org](http://www.empirequiltfest.org). We will not accept entries after this date and only finished pieces will be shown. You must do the following by Aug. 15, 2009:

- Submit a separate form for EACH entry. Keep a copy for your records.
- Submit a photo for each entry. Photo will not be returned.
- Submit entry fees: \$12 judged quilt, \$5 non-judged quilt. Fees for theme quilts: \$12 judged quilt, \$0 (no fee) non-judged theme quilt (limit one per person). Theme quilts must comply with the show theme "Voyage of Discovery."
- Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with each entry.
- Submit all of above by Aug. 15, 2009 to: Empire QuiltFest, P.O. Box 554, Burnt Hills, NY 1201

## Special Exhibits

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Once again, Empire QuiltFest 2009 is happy to bring to the Capitol District a very special traveling quilt display: one of Hoffman Fabrics Challenge doll exhibits. The award-winning items in this exhibit illustrate innovative design, expert creative use of techniques, and quality workmanship.

## Refreshments

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Beverage and food service will be available throughout the day. Bagels, donuts, soups, sandwiches, wraps, fruits, and desserts are among the offerings planned as are coffee, tea, soda, water, juice, and other beverages.

## Directions and Parking

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Empire QuiltFest 2009 will be at the Shenendehowa High School East, on the Shenendehowa campus, 970 Route 146, Clifton Park, New York.

### *From the North:*

Take the Northway (Interstate 87) to Exit 9 West. Head west on Route 146. At third light, take a left onto Moe Road. The high school campus is the first right approximately ¼ mile down the road. The East Building is the first building on the left.

### *From the South:*

Take the Northway (Interstate 87) to Exit 9 West. Head west on Route 146. At third light, take a left onto Moe Road. The high school campus is the first right approximately ¼ mile down the road. The East Building is the first building on the left.

### *From the East:*

Head west on Route 146 in Clifton Park. At third light past the Northway overpass, take a left onto Moe Road. The high school campus is the first right approximately ¼ mile down the road. The East Building is the first building on the left.

### *From the West:*

Head east on Route 146. Turn right onto Moe Road. The high school campus is the first right approximately ¼ mile down the road. The East Building is the first building on the left.

## *Parking*

Parking is free and handicapped parking is available.

# Vendors

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## *Adirondack Quilts*

21 Cooper Street  
Glens Falls, NY 12801  
518-615-0134

## *Baskets, Boxes, Things North*

111 Lower Mine Rd  
Brewster, NY 10509

## *Calico Alley*

1310 Boston Post Rd  
Guilford, CT 06437  
203-458-6122

## *Wenda Coburn*

*Square-in-Square*  
www.wendacoburn.com

## *Corning Stitchworks*

15 West Market Street  
Corning, New York 14830  
607-377-5376

## *Cowles Quilting Machines Service, Inc.*

321 Swanton Road  
Highgate Commons  
St Albans, VT 0547  
(800) 717-2551

## *Dyeing 2 Sew*

P.O. Box 2358  
Scotia, NY 12303

## *The Fieldstone House*

1884 Wheat Hill Rd  
Sidney Center, NY 13839  
607-369-9177

## *Flying Geese Fabrics*

508 New Karner Rd  
Albany, NY 12205  
518-456-8885

## *Gloversville Sewing Center*

385 South Main St  
Gloversville, NY 12078  
518-725-4919

## *Kitty's Quilt Korner*

64 Standard St  
Newington, CT 06111  
860-666-4414

## *Log Cabin Fabrics*

702 Starr Rd  
Ravena, NY 12143  
518-767-9236

## *Patchwork Art*

186-13 Union Turnpike  
Fresh Meadows, NY 11366  
718-454-0249

## *Patti's Quilting & Fabrics*

485 Glen Street  
Glens Falls, NY 12801  
518-683-7107

## *Potpourri Pieces*

www.potpourripieces.com

## *QuiltBug Quilt Shop*

169 Main St, Box 273  
Esperance, NY 12066  
518-875-9400  
888-817-6577

## *Woodstock Quilt Supply*

79 Tinker Street  
Woodstock, NY 12498  
845-679-0733

# Participating Guilds

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We encourage you to go a meeting to join other people who share a love of fabric and quilting.

## *Athens/Hudson Valley Quilters*

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month  
at 7 pm at the Columbia-Greene Community  
College in Hudson, NY  
Contact MaryAnn Peters, 518-945-1243

## *Loving Hands in All Seasons*

Meets on the 2nd Friday of the month at 7 pm  
at the Florida Reformed Church in Minaville, NY  
Contact Judy Neznek 518-842-0951

## *Make It Sew*

Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month at  
6:30 pm at Log Cabin Fabrics in Ravena, NY  
Contact Judy Frangella 518-756-6940

## *QUILT North*

Meets on the 1st Monday of the month at 7 pm  
at the Shenendehowa United Methodist Church,  
Clifton Park, NY - www.quiltnorth.org  
Contact Ann Pastore 518-459-5291 or  
Martha Hadarics 518-877-5221

## *Schoharie Valley Piecemakers*

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at  
the Reformed Church in Schoharie, NY  
Contact Colleen DeMuth 518-872-2538

## *Sew Busy Quilt Guild*

Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:15 pm  
at the Gloversville YWCA in Gloversville NY  
www.geocities.com/sewbeezy/  
Contact Ceci VanDenburgh 518-736-1874

# Contact information

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