

La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum – March 2011

703 South 2nd St., PO Box 1270, La Conner, WA 98257

General Admission \$5 (members free) Open Wed-Sun 11-5pm

Call or check our website for complete details: 360-466-4288 or www.laconnerquilts.com

Current Exhibits: Jan 12-Mar 27 “**Four Embroiderers**” with Textile Artists & Embroiderers: Marjorie Bachert, Maura Donegan, Lisa M Harkins, & Sandra L Little. Their work includes hand and free machine embroidery elements but more than just embroidery, their work also includes mixed media elements with the artists adding silk paper, beading, cast paper, wire, buttons, and fibers to embellish their works of art. All four are graduate students of Gail Harker Creative Studies. Our 1st Floor will feature a special exhibit of antique Crazy Quilts from our permanent collection. \$5 admission (free for members)

Call for Entries: 2011 Quilt Festival. We invite you to enter our first International Juried & Judged Show, sponsored by the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, to be held September 30-October 1, & 2, 2011. We are looking for pieces in the following categories: Traditional, Non-Traditional, Wearable Art, and Eco-Green. Winning entries will be featured in a special exhibit at the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum titled “AWE: Award Winning Entries” from October 5 - December 30, 2011. Deadline for entry is June 15, 2011. Please check our website to download an entry form for our 2011 Quilt Fest. www.laconnerquilts.com

La Conner in Bloom: a Tulip Festival Challenge - April 2011.

Do the tulips and other flora of the Northwest inspire you? Here’s your chance to create a quilt or fiber art piece AND benefit the Museum! We invite you to create and contribute a small piece that will hang on the first floor from April 1-30, 2011. The pieces will be priced at \$200 or less and 100% of proceeds from the sales of these works will go towards the Capital Campaign. This event will be promoted in the official *Skagit Valley Tulip Festival Guide*. Please keep the piece at or below dimensions of 24” x 30” and add a 2” hanging sleeve when appropriate. Affix a label on back showing your name and the title. We encourage you to be creative and experiment with a variety of fabrics, fibers, and textiles. You can help us quilt, knit, weave, stitch, cut, dye, and embellish our way to our grant match! Call 360-466-4288 if you have any questions.

Artists and Their Creative Lives, Sunday, March 13, 2011; 2-4pm a Panel discussion with the Four Embroiderers: Marjorie Bachert, Maura Donegan, Lisa M Harkins, and Sandra L Little. The discussion will be moderated by Anita Luvera Mayer. Gain insight as to why an artist chooses their particular career path. Find out how each artist works--from idea through completed piece and all the steps between. What are the inspirations behind their work? There will also be a time for questions from the audience. Refreshments will be served. Cost \$15, (\$10 for members) includes admission to Museum exhibits.

Bringing a Historic Peruvian Textile tradition to Contemporary American Décor. Tuesday, March 29th 6:30-9 pm. Artist discussion and trunk show sale with Melanie Ebertz, Founder of ArtAndes (artandes.com.) Melanie will bring a ‘Traveling Textile Trunk Show Tour’ to the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum. She is a designer of hand-woven rugs, expertly woven in Ayacucho, Peru. She has been working in the Andes since the mid-eighties and has developed relationships with a small group of weavers who proudly produce some of the highest quality tapestry weavings found in South America. Melanie also leads unique journeys through Peru and is a founding member of Fundación Comunidad, a non-profit education and nutrition program in the Andes. Cost \$15, (\$10 for members) includes admission to Museum exhibits Call 360-466-4288 to reserve your spot.