



**Weaving Guilds of Oregon (WeGO) Traveling Show:
Threads to New Worlds - A Collection of Fiber Arts
Opens October 4, 2013 at The Willamette Heritage Center**

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WHAT: *Threads to New Worlds - A Collection of Fiber Arts Special Exhibition*
WHEN: Thursday, October 4 through Tuesday, December 24, 2013
WHERE: 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem, OR 97301
COST: FREE with museum admission



"Threads to New Worlds - A Collection of Fiber Arts" is a year-long traveling exhibit sponsored by Weaving Guilds of Oregon (WeGO). This juried show contains 30 pieces, plus display pieces of fiber art, created by 24 artists. The show opens at the Willamette Heritage Center on Friday, October 4 during the annual Quiltopia and the Handweavers' Sale. The show closes on December 24, 2013.

Today's fiber artists continue to pursue the ancient art of weaving by making wool yarn into rugs, silk and the new synthetic fibers into scarves and garments, cotton and recycled fibers and items into wall hangings, and other items specially designed by the artists.

WeGO, formed as a statewide organization in 1982, currently has 700+ members. Its purpose is to share information and resources, educate, and promote fiber art throughout the state of Oregon. WeGo sponsors a traveling exhibit every three to five years. The Salem Fiberarts Guild, which calls the Center home, is a member of WeGO. For more information about the Salem Fiberarts Guild, please visit http://www.willametteheritage.org/fiber_arts.html.

For more information about the Willamette Heritage Center, please visit the Center's website at www.willametteheritage.org. For high resolution photos, please contact cclark@auramarketing.com.

The Willamette Heritage Center *at The Mill*, unification between Mission Mill Museum and Marion County Historical Society, is a stroll through the history of the Willamette Valley. Its 5-acre campus is home to the 1841 Jason Lee house (arguably the oldest wooden framed house in Oregon), 1841 Willamette Mission Parsonage, 1847 John Boon home, 1858 Pleasant Grove Church and the 1896 Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, named an *American Treasure* by the National Park Service. Since its founding in 1964 as a private non-profit association, Mission Mill Museum has established a reputation as a leader in the preservation and interpretation of Oregon's history. The museum's histories are shared with visitors through daily and group tours, speakers, living history, children's programs, hands-on activities, special events, the museum store and rental facilities. For more information call 503-585-7012 or visit www.willametteheritage.org.

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