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AQS Launches Fourth Show

The American Quilter's Society will add a new event to its annual lineup this spring. The AQS Quilt Show and Contest—Lancaster will be held March 24-27 at the Lancaster County Convention Center in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. More than \$44,000 in cash prizes will be awarded; a special category in the contest will be Grand Geometrics—Created the Amish Way. This show joins the AQS's April show in Paducah, Kentucky; its summer show in Knoxville, Tennessee; and its fall show in Des Moines, Iowa. americanquilter.com

Quilts Stolen From Exhibit

Three small art quilts were stolen July 31 from an exhibit at the Berea Arts Council's art gallery in Berea, Kentucky. Two quilts were made by Pat Cheshire Jennings, and the third was made by Dianne Stinebrickner. All three depict thread-painted birds and were part of the "Quilts with a Kick" exhibit. Attached to each was a label with the artist's information. Anyone with information about the crime should email info@bereaartscouncil.org or call the Berea Police Department at 859-986-8456.

Dallas Celebrates Quilts

The Quilter's Guild of Dallas's 2010 Quilt Celebration, "A Log Cabin Odyssey," will take place March 12-14 at the Dallas Market Hall, just northwest of downtown Dallas, Texas. Special exhibits will include work by the Dallas Area Fiber Artists group and a collection of 12"-square quilts made by the Twisted Stitchers group. Foundation-piecing expert Jane Hall will present a lecture on Friday, March 12, and following that, Charlotte Warr Anderson will present a personal, laugh-out-loud account of her 20-year adventure in the quilt world. quiltersguildofdallas.org

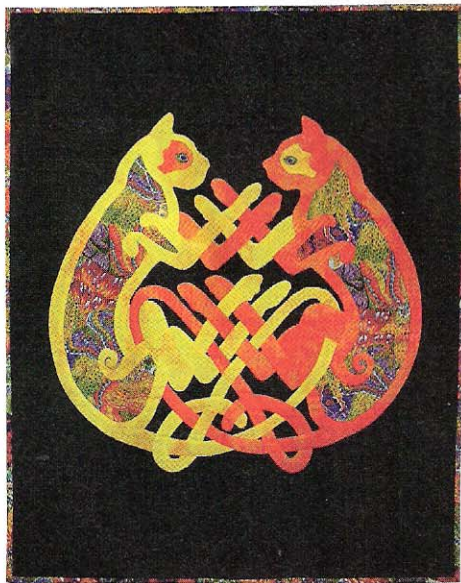


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FIBER FOR FELINES

Gallery's Exhibit and Events Benefit Cats

The Brush Art Gallery and Studios in Lowell, Massachusetts, held a special exhibit of cat-themed quilts last fall to benefit the Billerica Cat Care Coalition, a shelter for homeless and feral cats. "Herding Cats" was juried by Erica H. Adams, a faculty member of the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Massachusetts, and was on display September 24 through October 25. The Funds for Felines event, held Friday evening, October 2, included hors d'oeuvres and wine and an opportunity to meet the artists. Raffle prizes included veterinary services and gift baskets for cats and cat lovers. On Saturday, October 17, adoptable cats and kittens were at the gallery to meet prospective owners, and Girls Incorporated of Greater Lowell held the "Cakes for Cats" bake sale. billericacatcarecoalition.org, thebrush.org



TOP Drink of Water, 27" x 28", 2005, by Ann Fahl of Racine, Wisconsin.

ABOVE Celtic Cats, 29" x 24", 2004, by Jodi Scaltreto of Hillsborough, New Hampshire.