



2022 Quilt Index End-Of-Year Summary of Activities

Once again, it has been a busy, busy year with additions of content (individual quilts, quilt documentation projects, exhibitions, and more), whole new projects initiated, an expanded social media presence, new staff joining us, numerous presentations given on the Quilt Index, and indications of numerous uses of the Quilt Index (citations in blogs and published articles, uses in workshops, and reports/testimonies received)

Below is just a snapshot and/or “by the numbers” of some of those activities

Quilts - <https://quiltindex.org/quilts/featured/>

- 87,941 total quilts are now in the Index
- 2945 new quilts were added in 2022 from 15 projects

Stories - <https://quiltindex.org/stories/all/>

- 60 total stories presented on the “Stories” pages
- 4 new transcribed audio interviews from Minnesota Quilt Stories, <https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=specialcolls&kid=19-114-3>

Artists - <https://quiltindex.org/artists/featured/>

- 2 new artist pages added

Collections - <https://quiltindex.org/collections/documentation-projects/>

- 50 projects total – includes U.S. state and regional, Canadian provincial, and South African Quilt Heritage
- 4 Legacy Projects - <https://quiltindex.org/collections/legacy-projects/>

“In progress” activities – adding data to existing collections and adding whole new collections

- California Heritage Quilt Project, they are still documenting and have 500 interviews (shared with U of Berkley and IQM), ~3300 quilts, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=59-176-1>
- Lebanon County Quilt Documentation Project (PA), ~600 quilts
- Georgia Quilt Project, ~9500 quilts, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=60-180-1>
- Quilters Hall of Fame Collection (as part of Indiana Quilt Registry Project)
- American Quilt Study Group, (included creating tutorial for adding more *Uncoverings* and *Blanket Statements* to the QI), <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=35-93-1>
- Arizona Quilt Project; Migrant Quilt Project, <https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=specialcolls&kid=45-124-8>, added 8 new quilts
- DAR Museum, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=museums&kid=16-58-1>
- Illinois Quilt Research Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=5-61-3>
- International Quilt Museum, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=museums&kid=36-50-1>
- Louisiana Quilt Documentation Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=9-66-1>
- MASS Quilts – Massachusetts Quilt Documentation Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=11-67-1>
- Michigan Quilt Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=12-51-1>

- Minnesota Quilt Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=19-68-1>
- NAMES, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=42-43-1>
- National Quilt Museum, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=museums&kid=10-70-1>
- New Hampshire Quilt Documentation Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=56-166-1>
- New York State Quilt Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=49-143-1>
- Oregon Quilt Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=40-73-1>
- Quilts and Health, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=41-76-1>
- Quilts and Human Rights, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=45-77-1>
- Quilts of Tennessee, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=22-83-1>
- Western Pennsylvania Quilt Documentation Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=30-85-1>
- Wisconsin Quilt History Project, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=15-87-1>
- Women of Color Quilters Network, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=docprojects&kid=50-146-1>

Entirely new projects initiated

- Pubic Submission, <https://quiltindex.org/add-quilts/submit-form/> including The Quilt Index Guide to Documenting Quilts, https://kora.quiltindex.org/files/51-150-1/Quilt_Index_Guide_To_Documenting_Quilts.pdf and Preparing Your Images for the Quilt Index, https://kora.quiltindex.org/files/51-150-1/Quilt_Index-Image_Prep.pdf . This not only makes adding quilts accessible to everyone, this is a major step towards long-term Quilt Index sustainability
- Salsler Family Foundation Matching Grant Challenge – this is a major step towards long-term Quilt Index sustainability
- Black Diaspora Quilt History Project (BDQHP) – a two-year project funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities. This will enable us to add Black Diaspora Quilt History Collections of 14 U.S. museums and archives, 3 South African quilt collections, 1 African American quilt documentation project, additional records of two African American quilt organizations (Women of Color Quilters Network and the Great Lakes African American Quilt Network), the digital legacy of 5 individual artists, and the records of scholarly studies of Liberian, Egyptian, and Siddi quilts. In addition, it provides support to add galleries, essays, exhibitions, and lesson plans.

New additions in active discussion

- Historic Arkansas Museum
- Delaware Folklife Project, ~1840 quilts
- Teal Quilt Project
- South African Quilt and Related Textiles

Notes on other QI elements

Museums

- 187 museums have their own pages (must have 2 quilts for a page)
- 230 in QI, more that can't be identified because the project withheld owner information. Welcome any help to add and/or identify museum collections
- Can be found on their documentation project pages or under the Collections>Museums tab
- Under the Museums tab they can be sorted by Title, State, or Size of Collection allowing the largest collections to rise to the top
- New museums recently added
Mattatuck Museum, CT, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=museums&kid=17-56-25>, 33 quilts
Blue Ball Barn, Alapocas State Park, ED, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=museums&kid=51-150-14>, 4 quilts

Ephemera

- Added Quilt History Bibliography (21 pp pdf), <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=publications&kid=12-91-1019>

- Completed Detroit News Quilt History Project, <https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=specialcolls&kid=12-91-666>, 2376 newspaper clippings from 1928-1970
- Florence LaGanke Harris, aka Nancy Page, <https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=specialcolls&kid=12-91-838>, 71 quilts, 299 patterns, and newspaper clippings. With Merikay Waldvogel to highlight Page's QHF induction.
- The Quilter's Journal, <https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=specialcolls&kid=25-131-44>, not a new collection but it got re-entered from the old QI
- Womenfolk, <https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=specialcolls&kid=51-149-3>, Judy Anne Breneman's history essays archived from her website – note the links to quilts and similar topics in Uncoverings, Quilter's Journal, etc.

Social Media

- Began general postings at least once a week to
 - Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/quiltindex>
 - Instagram, <https://twitter.com/quiltindex>
 - Twitter, <https://www.instagram.com/quiltindex/>
- Worked with Mary Fons on ways to include the Quilt Index in her Quilt Nerd presentations, <https://www.maryfons.com/quilt-nerd/>
- Began additional weekly posting resources related to the BDQHP

Resources (exhibits, galleries, essays)

- Mary Gasperik Quilters Hall of Fame Induction Exhibit, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=exhibits&kid=18-121-722>, including a video
- Ubuntutu: Life Legacies of Love and Action, <https://quiltindex.org/view/?type=exhibits&kid=50-147-2>

Back end

- Improving user interface on quilt display pages, ex.
 - Old – <https://quiltindex.org//view/?type=fullrec&kid=13-9-30>
 - New - <https://quiltindex.org//view/?type=fullrec&kid=5-2-353>
- Added new KORA users, intercept illegitimate users
- Made Quilt_Index-Image_Prep.pdf for FAQ page, <https://quiltindex.org/about/faq/>
- Made tutorial for adding audio interviews to the QI
- Fielded over 50 contacts via email including requests for use of images, adding quilts or ephemera, updates or information on records, help with pattern identification, quilt dating, care and display or how to do quilt history,

Projects to pursue (“the wish list”)

- **Documentation projects**

United States

- Alabama Quilt Search Project
- Alaska Quilt Survey
- Arkansas Regional Survey and Arkansas Quilter's Guild
- Colorado Historical Documentation
- Boise Basin Quilters Guild Registry (ID)
- Maine Quilt Heritage
- Maryland Association for Family and Community Education Quilt Documentation Project
- Mississippi Heritage Quilt Search
- Missouri Heritage Quilt Project, Quilts of Missouri, Cass County Quilt Project
- Montana Historic Quilt Project
- Nevada State Heritage Quilt Project

- New Mexico Heritage Quilt Search, New Mexico Quilt Documentation Project, New Mexico Survey of Hispanic Quiltmaking
- North Dakota Quilt Research Project
- Ohio Quilt Research Project
- Oklahoma Folklife Center Family Quilts Survey, Oklahoma Quilt Research Project
- Pennsylvania [remaining counties, Adams, Berks, Chester, Crawford, Cumberland, Franklin, Lancaster, Monroe, Schuylkill, Union, York and Goschenhoppen Quilt Round-Up]
- South Dakota Quilt Documentation Project
- Utah Quilt Heritage Corporation
- Vermont Quilt Search
- Virginia Quilt Research Project
- Quilt Heritage of Washington State.

International

- Australian National Quilt Register
- British Columbia Heritage Quilt Project
- Eastern Ontario Quilt Documentation Project
- Hamilton Area Quilt Documentation Project
- Quebec Quilt Registry
- The Quilter's Guild Heritage Search (Great Britain).
- **Major museum quilt collections**
- **Native American Quilt History Project (a la the Black Diaspora Quilt History Project)**
- **Records of quilts sold at auction houses**
- **Linking data to online newspaper records, genealogy databases, fabric collections**
- **Linking data to Quilters SOS**