

Doors will open at 6:15 p.m. for viewing of quilt displays

"New England's Early Quilts and the Labor of Quilting."

Lecturer Lynne Z. Bassett, a costume and textile historian, will provide a broad introduction to quiltmaking in the colonial and Early Republic eras that will trace women's inspirations for their designs, as well as the impact of the Industrial Revolution on guilt production. She will also use women's diaries to study the labor of quilting, how common cooperative labor was in quiltmaking, and how romantic nostalgia colored the historical understanding of quilts and the labor of quilting for 150 years.

Presenter Theresa Perreault is the Mass. coordinator for the Quilts of Valor Foundation. She will give a brief introduction to the foundation and its work.

There will also be time for a Show & Tell following the presentation

(preregistration required to exhibit: call Barbara Beaulieau 413-267-4044 or email, barbeau29@verizon.net)

> Refreshments provided by the Quaboag Valley Quilters

> > Free Admission Donations graciously accepted







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