Celebrating the Quilts of Gee's Bend with public events and concurrent exhibitions

Swarthmore College / September 6–October 28, 2018

Exhibitions

**Piece Together: The Quilts of Mary Lee Bendolph**
List Gallery
Lang Performing Arts Center

**Public Events**

**Panel Discussion, Film Screening, and Opening Reception for Piece Together: The Quilts of Mary Lee Bendolph**
Thursday, September 20, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Lang Performing Arts Center Cinema
Introductory remarks by Andrea Packard, List Gallery Director
Screening of *While I yet Live*, a short documentary by Maris Curran
Panelists:
- Rubin Bendolph Jr., curator of Bendolph family quilts
- Essie Bendolph Pettway, quilter
- Maris Curran, film director
- Hannah W. Blunt, Associate Curator, Mount Holyoke College Art Museum

**Gee's Bend: Personal Narratives and Artistic Legacies**
Friday, September 21, 10:00 a.m.–Noon
Scheuer Room, Kohlberg Hall
Moderator: Andrea Packard, List Gallery Director
Panelists:
- Gee's Bend residents and members of Mary Lee Bendolph's family including Essie Bendolph Pettway and Rubin Bendolph Jr.
- Yixuan Maisie Luo '19 and Catherine Williams '19, Swarthmore College Humanities Grant recipients who conducted oral history interviews in Gee's Bend
- Ellen M. Alvord, Weatherbie Curator of Education and Academic Programs, Mount Holyoke College Art Museum

**Quilting and Conversation**
Friday, September 21, 1:30-4:00 p.m.
McCabe Library Atrium
An informal public gathering with quilters and other residents from Gee's Bend
Demonstrations and refreshments provided

**Public Reception and Curators' Talk for Piece Together: The Quilts of Mary Lee Bendolph and Responses to Gee's Bend**
Tuesday, October 23, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
McCabe Library Atrium

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