



“A Community of Quilts”

Old Aurora Colony Museum 37th Annual Quilt Show

October 16 - 25, 2009
10 am - 4 pm Daily

Demonstrations
Featured Quilter
Country Store
Merchant's Mall
Block Contest
Coffee Shop
Raffle Quilt
(Drawing at 4 pm Oct 25)

Adults \$6 Seniors/AAA \$5 Students \$2

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Aurora Colony Historical Society
Second and Liberty Streets
Aurora, Oregon

Fifteenth Annual Block Contest “Aurora Blue”

The Old Aurora Colony Museum houses all that remains of a way of life which began in Aurora in 1856. The Utopian society of Aurora, Oregon was established by Dr. William Keil, a strong, religious man, who organized his followers under the Golden Rule: “Every man and woman must be a brother or sister to every other man or woman in our family under the fatherhood of God – EVERYDAY.”

Our block contest theme for this year is, “Aurora Blue”.

Excerpt from 1986 thesis by Bonnie Parks

Blue paint was found on the baseboards of the Giesy-Kraus, Giesy, Keil and Becke houses. The Giesy-Kraus house had blue paint on the chair rail in the kitchen, parlor, upstairs hall, and north bedroom; the peg board in the kitchen; the fireplace surround and the mantelpiece, and the stair and stair railing. Visually, however, there is no one color which can be termed Aurora Blue. The blues identified span wide ranges of hues, values and chromas, from a rather light blue on the green side to a rich purple blue.

Guidelines

- Unfinished blocks should measure **12 ½” x 12 ½” to finish as a 12” square.**
- Please measure carefully.
- Blocks should be made using a block pattern of your choice.
- Blocks should be made in shades of blue with a white background.
- Blocks may be pieced or appliquéd. (if appliquéd, please cut away base fabric)
- Blocks should be made of pre-washed 100% cotton fabrics.

The blocks will be judged first on size, then workmanship, color and overall appearance. Prizes will be awarded to twenty blocks, which will be used to make up the 2010 raffle quilt. All blocks entered will be used to make quilted items to be sold by ACHS. The proceeds from those sales will benefit the Aurora Colony Historical Society and its programs.

To enter: Please enter completed blocks with your name, address, phone number, and the name of your block pattern safety pinned to the back. Blocks should arrive at the museum no later than Friday, Oct. 23, 2009. Judging will be held after 4:00pm that day. All blocks will be displayed during the quilt show. The twenty winners will be displayed Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009 at 11:00am at the Aurora Colony Museum. Blocks may be brought to the Aurora Colony Museum at the corner of Second and Liberty Streets in Aurora or sent to:

**Quilt Block Contest
Old Aurora Colony Museum
P.O. Box 202
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For more information about the quilt show or the block contest you may contact the Aurora Colony Museum at 503-678-5754 or email: info@auroracolony.org