The Quilt Alliance is a nonprofit organization founded in 1993 to support and develop projects to document, preserve, and share the history of quilts and quiltmakers. Quilt Alliance brings together groups and individuals from the creative, scholarly and business worlds of quiltmaking to advance the recognition of quilts and their makers.


Quilt Alliance Core projects include:

**Quilters’ S.O.S. – Save Our Stories**


Grassroots oral history project preserving the stories of today’s quiltmakers from all over the US and abroad. More than 1,000 interviews with today’s quiltmakers currently on the Alliance website and archived at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress.

**Go Tell It at the Quilt Show!**

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLbRL8gNfw9DBEAuPT2fLHaehysLU9veeW](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLbRL8gNfw9DBEAuPT2fLHaehysLU9veeW)

A new video oral history project designed to capture the stories of quilts where quiltmakers gather. The formula for Go Tell It! is simple: one person talking about one quilt in front of one video camera for three minutes. Unlike our Quilters’ S.O.S. – Save Our Stories project where the interviewee must be a quiltermaker, the Go Tell It! interviewee profile is much broader.

Quilt Alliance Partner projects include:

**The Quilt Index, [http://www.quiltindex.org/](http://www.quiltindex.org/)**

An online database of more than 64,000 quilt records bringing new access to detailed information and images of quilts from museums, historical societies, guilds, documentation projects and private collections.

Partners: MATRIX: Center for Digital Humanities and Social Sciences at Michigan State University and the Michigan State University Museum.

**Quilt Treasures, [http://www.allianceforamericanquilts.org/treasures/](http://www.allianceforamericanquilts.org/treasures/)**

Multi-media portraits profiling key quilt revival pioneers including quiltmakers,
historians, collectors, teachers, and business leaders.
MATRIX: Center for Digital Humanities and Social Sciences at Michigan State University and the Michigan State University Museum.

**Annual Quilt Contest**
Since 2006 quilters from the U.S. and abroad have donated more than 650 quilts for our annual contest and auction. All quilts tour nationally and are documented in *The Quilt Index* before being sold to the highest bidder via online auction. The 2015 QA contest is “*Animals We Love.*”
[http://www.allianceforamericanquilts.org/projects/galleries/Animals%20We%20Love/guidelines/](http://www.allianceforamericanquilts.org/projects/galleries/Animals%20We%20Love/guidelines/)

**Fundraising and Educational Events**
**Quilters Take Manhattan:**
The Quilt Alliance presents this annual fundraising & educational event in New York City’s Garment District each fall. The 5th annual QTM weekend takes place September 25-27, 2015 with our anchor event on Saturday, Sept. 26 at the Fashion Institute of Technology. Ricky Tims will headline the FIT event and attendees will also enjoy a lecture by modern quilter Victoria Findlay Wolfe, a Q.S.O.S. interview with quilt and fabric designer Edyta Sitar, and Go Tell It! interviews with art, traditional and modern quilters. Also at FIT, an exhibition of gorgeous quilts, vendors, make and take activities, and our own Quilt Match Manhattan design throw down. QTM attendees can also sign up for garment district tours, a Broadway outing, workshops at The City Quilter, and quilt presentations at a major museum throughout the weekend. Like the QTM Facebook page to stay up to date on details. Ticket sales launch Monday, March 16. [https://www.facebook.com/QuiltersTakeManhattan2014?ref=hl](https://www.facebook.com/QuiltersTakeManhattan2014?ref=hl)

**Not Fade Away: Sharing Quilt Stories in the Digital Age:** our biennial educational conference in Herndon, Virginia for all who care about documenting, preserving and sharing the stories of quilts and their makers. The 2nd Not Fade Away event will be held July 17-18, 2015 in conjunction with the Sacred Threads Exhibition and includes a keynote speech by Marin Hanson, curator at the International Quilt Study Center and Museum. Go Tell It at the Quilt Show! interviews with Sacred Threads artists and a curators’ panel discussion. Ticket sales launch March 23, 2015.

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