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2021 Attendee General Information

Greeting Quilter,

We are thrilled to have you join us for the **Garden of Quilts!** Classes are held September 15th–18th at the Ashton Gardens Visitors Center, outside in the Gardens and at the Museum of Natural Curiosity. Vendors, trunk shows, demonstrations, and a stunning outdoor exhibit of hundreds of beautiful quilts displayed among the flowers and trees will be September 17th-18th.

Below you will find an extensive offering of information we think you will find helpful. We know it is a lot, but it seems an event this big requires nothing less. So, at the very least please skim through and read the bold topic headings including the link for the Garden of Quilts Attendee Information booklet, so you know where you can find answers when you need them.

We can't wait for you to join us next week!

Dates:

September 15-18, 2021 (*Quilt Display in Gardens Sep. 17 & 18 only*)

Classes are September 15-18, 9am-12pm or 2pm-5pm. Please verify your class time and location on the [website](#).

September 16, 6pm-9pm The Doan Girls Triple Play Trunk Show and Meet the Maker Event

The Garden of Quilts public event hours are 9 am – 8 pm on Friday, September 17th, and 9 am – 6 pm on Saturday, September 18th. More details about event can be found here: ThanksgivingPoint.org/events/garden-of-quilts

Event Locations:

Ashton Gardens at Thanksgiving Point: 3900 N Garden Dr. Lehi, Utah 84043

Museum of Natural Curiosity at Thanksgiving Point: 3605 Garden Dr, Lehi, UT 84043

The Show Barn: 2975 N Thanksgiving Way, Lehi, UT 84043

For maps of both the property as well as classroom locations within venues please [CLICK HERE](#)

Public Parking:

Parking at all Thanksgiving Venues in designated lots is free of charge and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking on the streets is not permitted. Carpooling is always recommended and appreciated.

Badge Pick-up and Class Check-In Details:

If you are registered to take one or more classes during the Garden of Quilts you will need to check-in at the Class Check-In tent on the front lawn of the Ashton Garden Visitor Center ([see map](#)). There you will find information, maps, as well as check-in and receive a lanyard with your credential badge and a listing of the classes and events you have registered for.

Once you have checked in, depending on where your first class is located, you can head to your class in the Visitor Center or in the Museum of Natural Curiosity. While the distance is walkable, most guests find the distance enough that they prefer to drive—especially if you are carrying a machine or supplies.

At least 30 minutes before your class starts check-in at the Class Check-In tent. Please arrive at your classroom at least 10 minutes before class starts. You will be greeted by a volunteer that will check you in. If you purchased a kit, you will receive the kit in class.

[\(Here is a link to the Garden of Quilts Information Booklet\)](#)

Thank you for taking the time to read through all the information. We look forward to seeing you!

As always, please reach out if you have any questions.

The Garden of Quilts Team

Event Hours:

Wednesday

- 8 am: Class Check-in tent open. Doors open to classroom spaces in Ashton Gardens Visitor Center and Museum of Natural Curiosity.
- 9 am - Noon: Morning Class Sessions (*Registration required*)
- 9 am - 8 pm: Ashton Gardens regular hours (*no quilts or vendors, admission or membership required*)
- 2 pm - 5 pm: Afternoon class sessions (*Registration required*)
- 7 pm - 11 pm: Open Sew (*Registration required*)

Thursday

- 8 am: Class Check-in tent open. Doors open to classroom spaces in Ashton Gardens Visitor Center and Museum of Natural Curiosity.
- 9 am - Noon: Morning Class Sessions (*Registration required*)
- 2 pm - 5 pm: Afternoon class sessions (*Registration required*)
- *Ashton Gardens closed to public*
- 6 pm: Doors open to Show Barn for Meet the Maker Event (*Ticket Required*)
- 7 pm - 9 pm: Jenny Doan Triple Play trunk show event featuring Jenny, Natalie, and Misty (*Ticket Required*)

Friday

- 8 am: Class Check-in tent open. Doors open to classroom spaces in Ashton Gardens Visitor Center and Museum of Natural Curiosity.
- 9 am - Noon: Morning Class Sessions (*Registration required*)
- 9 am - 8 pm: Garden of Quilts in Ashton Gardens. Vendors, presentations, trunk shows, quilt exhibit (*Ticket Required, presentation schedules can be found [HERE](#) as well as at the Main Stage in the Gardens and at the Front Desk*)
- 2 pm - 5 pm: Afternoon class sessions (*Registration required*)
- 7 pm - 11 pm: Open Sew (*Registration Required*)

Saturday

- 8 am: Class Check-in tent open. Doors open to classroom spaces in Ashton Gardens Visitor Center and Museum of Natural Curiosity.
- 9 am - Noon: Morning Class Sessions (*Registration required*)
- 9 am - 6 pm: Garden of Quilts in Ashton Gardens. Vendors, presentations, trunk shows, quilt exhibit (*Ticket Required, presentation schedules can be found [HERE](#) as well as at the Main Stage in the Gardens and at the Front Desk*)
- 2 pm - 5 pm: Afternoon class sessions (*Registration required*)
- 7 pm - 11 pm: Open Sew (*Registration Required*)

General Information:

Restrooms

Restrooms are easily accessible and located in all venues and outdoors in the Ashton Gardens. Please refer to a map, follow signs, or ask a volunteer or team member for directions to the nearest facility.

Safety

At Thanksgiving Point we love our guests and want to ensure their safety. We have on site protective services and EMTs ready to attend to any concerns or mishaps. If there is an emergency contact 911, then, if possible, locate the nearest staff member to have them assist you. If you have lost or found an item—or person—please notify a Garden of Quilts staff member so that we can make a reconnection.

COVID-19

We know that COVID is on the mind of most of us these days. Thanksgiving Point is firmly committed to helping protect the health and safety of our members, guests, employees, and community. We take this commitment very seriously and will follow the recommendations of State and CDC experts if, and as, they evolve.

Our current policy is that first and foremost, we encourage anyone that can be vaccinated to do so.

Beyond that, at Thanksgiving Point our motto is, “We LOVE Masks!” (especially darling ones donated by Riley Black Designs and available at Check-in). We encourage appropriate distancing and mask wearing for all in all spaces but do allow those that have been vaccinated to choose to wear a mask or not. We have done our best to plan for distancing within our classroom spaces.

We understand that people have different circumstances and preferences leading to a different tolerance of risk. We leave those assessments to each individual and respect your decision implicitly. So please give some space, be safe, be respectful, be thoughtful, and do what feels right.

Vendors

We know you love your vendors. This year the Garden of Quilts vendors will be in two primary locations: The vendor tent at the base of the Grand Allee (the big hill when you first walk out of the building into the Gardens) as well as at the Waterfall Amphitheater. The hours for the vendor marketplace are from 9am-7pm on Friday 9/17, and 9am-6pm on Saturday 9/18.

The Ashton Gardens Gift Shop located just off the lobby, will also be open during event hours Wednesday through Saturday and is a great place to grab a quick soda, some aspirin, or a souvenir.

They will also carry a limited supply of basic sewing and quilting supplies in case you forgot something.

Dining

If you need lunch, dinner, or a quick snack we have you covered.

Trellis: Inside the Visitor Center is our Trellis Café—a local favorite for house made sandwiches, salads, pasta, and more. Hours are Monday- Friday: 11am-3pm, Saturday: 11am- 4pm. Reservations are not required but strongly recommended and can be made at the desk or by calling 801-768-4996. Trellis is also the location of our crowd-favorite Afternoon Tea. Advance reservations are required for the Tea. For more information about this visit our website [HERE](#).

Ashton Gardens Concessions: Concessions are located at the top of the Waterfall Amphitheater inside the Gardens (closed Thursday) and offer a variety of salads, cold and hot sandwiches, snacks, drinks and more...

Harvest Restaurant: Harvest Restaurant is on our Water Tower Campus [CLICK HERE FOR MAP](#) right next to the iconic Water Tower you can see from the interstate. It offers fine dining in a lovely, relaxed setting.

The Tower Deli: Next to Harvest this restaurant offers a wide variety of sandwiches, salads, soups, freshly made pastries, and so much more. If you want to lean into your wicked side head straight to the Ice Cream Shop and have a custom sundae for lunch.

Other options: The area surrounding Thanksgiving Point has dozens of other excellent dining establishments from national chains to local favorites. Guests are sure to find something to satisfy that craving—all within a 5-minute drive. Feel free to ask a volunteer or team member for their own favorite recommendations.

Golf Carts

Because of the unique nature of this event and the needs of our guests the Garden of Quilts does not rent out golf carts to individuals but rather employs our entire fleet of carts to run continual laps around two routes through the Gardens. Guests can jump on and off to assist them in getting from one location to the next. This model supports a safer experience for our guests and allows access to all attendees rather than just a few.

Wheelchairs & Motorized Scooters

For those guests that have more serious needs we have a limited number of manual wheelchairs or electric “Jazzy” style scooters. These can be rented from the Guest Services staff at the Gardens.

Purchasing Additional Classes or Tickets

Wishing you would have taken another class? We would be happy to assist you in making last minute registrations and ticket purchases so long as availability exists. Please inquire at the front desk and a member of our Guest Services Team will help you out.

Sewing Machines

Guests are encouraged to bring their own sewing machine. We do understand that many of our guests travel from other states and countries to attend the Garden of Quilts and traveling with a sewing machine can be cumbersome. To accommodate all our guests, we have partnered with our generous Machine Sponsor, Nuttall’s Sewing Center, to provide demo machines for you to use. While we do not offer machine reservations, we have done our very best to guestimate the perfect number of loaner machines for each classroom (based off previous events). We aim to accommodate those that need a machine and those who just cannot imagine leaving their familiar machine at home.

Machine/Parcel Check

Because the majority of guests prefer to bring their own machine, we want to make it as easy as possible to keep it safe while still enjoying the festival and Gardens without having to keep it with you. To accomplish this, we offer a machine and parcel check station in our Garden Path Greenhouse where you can safely stash anything you don’t want weighing you down. The service is free to guests and is in operation Wednesday through Saturday from 8am-6pm. Inquire at Guest Services for questions or directions or refer to [the map](#).

Climate/Weather

For those of you visiting the area for the first time, Lehi, Utah is located in a valley in the Wasatch Range of the Rocky Mountains and has an elevation of approximately 4600 feet above sea level. If this is substantially different than your home base you will want to be mindful to wear sun protection and drink lots of water as it is very dry here. Otherwise, we anticipate the weather in the Gardens will be divine. The forecast at this writing, predicts clear skies and afternoon highs in the high 70s and low 80s. PERFECTION! That said, the sun can shine hot and indoor air conditioning can run cool for some folks so plan accordingly and bring layers to keep comfy.

Most Important

Stay safe, have fun, soak it in, get inspired and make something—be it projects or memories—worth keeping. Thank you for taking the time to read through all the information. We look forward to seeing you!