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Special Quilt Show Coming to Brooklyn's Landmark Prospect Park

"Sewing the Threads of New York: The 400 Year Anniversary of Henry Hudson's Voyage"

November – December, 2009

This year, 2009, marks the 400th anniversary of Henry Hudson's arrival in New York harbor. To celebrate, the Lefferts Historic House in Prospect Park is dedicating its 18th Annual Quilt Show to the quadricentennial of Hudson's voyage: "**Sewing the Threads of New York: The 400 Year Anniversary of Henry Hudson's Voyage.**"

Quilts included in the exhibit (see attached "call for quilts") will draw inspiration from Hudson's journey across the sea, the river valley landscape, the people the voyagers encountered along the river and the changes that have occurred to the harbor and river over the last 400 years..

Quilts will first be on exhibit at the **Lefferts Historic House from November 1 - 29, 2009.**

Days & Hours: Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 12 – 5 p.m.

The show then moves to the **Prospect Park Audubon Center from December 5 - 27, 2009.**

Days & Hours: Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 12 – 4 p.m.

Background on the Lefferts Historic House: Built by a Dutch family in the 18th century farming village of Flatbush, Lefferts Historic House interprets the history of Brooklyn's environment from pre-Colonial times until the present, using its working garden, historic artifacts, and documents, as well as period rooms and exhibits. <http://www.prospectpark.org/lefferts>

Background on the Prospect Park Audubon Center: The Prospect Park Audubon Center at the Boathouse is a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to wildlife preservation and natural education. Surrounded by interpretive nature trails in acres of carefully restored natural habitat, the Audubon Center also houses the Park's Visitor Center. <http://www.prospectpark.org/audubon>

Directions: Lefferts Historic House is located at the Children's Corner, inside the Park's Willink entrance, at the intersection of Flatbush Avenue and Empire Boulevard. For the **Prospect Park Audubon Center**, enter the Park at Lincoln Road & Ocean Ave., Parkside & Ocean Aves., or Flatbush Ave. & Empire Blvd. (Willink entrance) and follow the directional signs. By train: Q, S, or B run to Prospect Park Station. By bus: B-16, B-41, B-43 and B-48 will bring you close to The Children's Corner.

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In partnership with the City of New York and the community, the Prospect Park Alliance restores, develops, and operates Prospect Park for the enjoyment of all by caring for the natural environment, preserving historic design, and serving the public through facilities and programs. Prospect Park's 585 acres of meadows, waterfalls, forest, lakes, and athletic facilities comprise a masterwork of urban green space.

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