

## The 2012 Quilt Fest of New Jersey Takes Center Stage at the Garden State Exhibit Center March 1-4, 2012

**Mancuso Show Management** is pleased to announce the return of [The Quilt Fest of New Jersey](#) to **The Garden State Exhibit Center** in Somerset, New Jersey. The event opens **March 1 – 4, 2012**, for its eighth year of celebrating quilting. Serving greater central New Jersey, Pennsylvania, the New York metropolitan and southern New England areas, this spectacular event provides the stage for a unique collection of quilt, wearable and textile art, along with a fabulous Merchants Mall featuring merchandise for all your quilt making and sewing needs! Also available on the Quilt Fest agenda are inspiring workshops and lectures.



**The Quilt Fest of New Jersey VIII** features twelve special exhibitions plus the juried and judged “[Tri-State Quilt Competition](#)” highlighting a bounty of quilts created by residents of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. These talented regional quilt artists will display a stunning collection of artwork while competing for over \$6,000 in cash and prizes. Thanks to the generosity of the Quilt Fest’s sponsors, prizes have increased 50% for 2012!

In addition, attendees to this event will not want to miss the beautiful award winning quilts of the 2012 Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival on display. The amazing quilt, wearable and textile art on display will inspire and motivate creative ideas into motion.

Left: *Life, From the Ground Up* by Jessica Hudson

[Workshops](#) for beginners as well as for more advanced quilt artists, and a lecture will be offered throughout the festival. New for the 2012 Quilt Fest, will be 90-minute workshops in addition to half-day and full-day classes. Any quilt or textile art enthusiast who is interested in learning new techniques and enhancing their performance can learn from an exceptional faculty including Dierdra McElroy, Bobbie Bergquist, Barbara Dann, Diane Dennis, Lisa Reber and Janna Thomas. In addition, certified appraiser Phyllis Twigg Hatcher will be available to appraise both traditional and non-traditional quilts.

“The Quilt Fest is the perfect cure for cabin fever,” states David Mancuso, a partner in Mancuso Show Management based in New Hope, PA. “The early March dates bring people out to this easy to reach location.” “The Holiday Inn, located right across the street, also makes it a great weekend getaway.”

Above and Beyond Creative Sewing Center: Pfaff; American Sewing & Vacuum Center: Baby Lock – Janome; Olde City Quilts: Bernina; Pocono Sew & Vac: Brother – Elna – Handi Quilter; and Coats & Clark generously sponsor The Quilt Fest of New Jersey.

View and/or print the complete brochure from our website, [quiltfest.com](http://quiltfest.com) or to receive a brochure in the mail detailing The Quilt Fest of New Jersey please send \$3 (check payable to Mancuso Show Management) to: **QFNJ**, Dept. P, PO Box 667, New Hope, PA 18938.

When You Go...	
<b>What</b>	<a href="#">The Quilt Fest of New Jersey VIII</a>
<b>Where</b>	Garden State Exhibit Center Just off I-287, Exit #10 Somerset, New Jersey
<b>When</b>	March 1-4, 2012 Thursday-Friday-Saturday: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
<b>How Much</b>	\$12, includes re-admission. \$10, Sunday only. Under 16 free.