

**“Cheers!”**  
**Celebrating 21 Years**  
*The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival XXI Celebrates*  
**Twenty-One Years of Quilt, Wearable & Fiber Art**

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You are invited to join in celebrating 21 years of the [Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival](http://www.quiltfest.com) as it returns to the **Hampton Roads Convention Center** in the Greater Chesapeake Bay/Williamsburg, VA area, **February 25 – 28, 2010**. This ever-popular quilting arts event is not one to miss! Take part in sharing a love for quilting, creating and shopping all under one roof. The Merchants Mall features more than 250 vendor booths of quilting supplies, textiles, antique quilts, books, sewing related craft items, kits, sewing machines, clothing, and so much more! The Festival includes entries to the quilt and wearable art competitions as well as special exhibitions. In addition, workshops and lectures presented by well-known, talented instructors will also be available with conference registration, visit [www.quiltfest.com](http://www.quiltfest.com) for more info.

This year’s quilt competition themed “**Cheers!**” gives entrants an opportunity to demonstrate and celebrate! In 2010, **Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival** celebrates twenty-one years of quilt artists from around the country sending their quilts to Virginia. Entrants are asked to demonstrate how their quilting has come of age as the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival turns twenty-one. Also, while attending the event make sure you explore the [Wearable Art Competition](#). You will find on display unique full ensembles, vest, jacket & coat entries. The Quilt and Wearable Art Competitions will feature magnificent works by some of the nation’s finest quilt and fiber artists. Take part in judging by casting your vote for the Quilt and Wearable Art Viewer’s Choice Awards. Winners will be announced at [Show & Tell](#) on Saturday February 27.

		
<p><b>M-AQF 2009 1<sup>st</sup> Place Innovative</b>          Click by Jane Kennedy</p>	<p><b>M-AQF 2009 Best of Show</b>          Saffron Spring- OCD Meets SAD          by Barbara E. Lies</p>	<p><b>M-AQF 2009 1<sup>st</sup> Place Traditional</b>          Arabesque by Karen Kay Buckley</p>

Regardless if you are a beginner just starting out, or a seasoned veteran seeking new ideas, the **Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival XXI** features workshops & lectures that will satisfy all your quilting needs! Featured once again this year is [Quilt-O](#) (Quilter’s Bingo Trivia). Pat Yamin, who has participated since the first M-AQF, hosts this exciting event! Enjoy an escape from the sewing machine for an evening of fun, prizes and lots of laughter, scheduled for Friday, February 26 at 8 pm. The **Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers**, the **Golden Thimble Needlework Guilds** also return this year presenting Fiber and Needle Arts Demonstrations.

		
<p>It’s opening day at M-AQF ‘09!</p>	<p>A knowledgeable “White Glove” volunteer at M-AQF ‘09.</p>	<p>Enthusiastic opportunity quilt volunteers cheer on the crowds at M-AQF ‘09!</p>

Whether you are a quilt, wearable, fiber artist, or an enthusiastic home sewer you won't want to miss joining the **Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival** as it celebrates twenty one years as the largest quilt event on the Eastern Seaboard!

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<b>When You Go...</b>	
<b>What</b>	<a href="#"><u>Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival XXI</u></a>
<b>Where</b>	Hampton Roads Convention Center Just off I-64, Exit 263 – Hampton Virginia
<b>When</b>	<b>February 25 – 28, 2010</b> Thursday – Saturday: 10 am – 6 pm Sunday: 10 am – 4 pm
<b>How Much</b>	<b>\$14</b> admission (includes re-admit). <b>\$12</b> , Sunday Only. Under 16 free.