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THE GEORGE WASHINGTON
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THE TEXTILE MUSEUM

December 2025



This month wraps up our year-long celebration of The Textile Museum's centennial. Thank you to everyone who participated in our anniversary activities online and in person! We invite you to watch a [short video](#) looking back at highlights from this milestone year. Keep reading to learn about our final month of centennial programming, including The Textile Museum Journal Symposium.

There are three weeks left to see [Enduring Traditions: Celebrating the World of Textiles](#), our major exhibition exploring the cultural significance of royal robes, ceremonial carpets and other global treasures from The Textile Museum Collection. You can also pick up unique holiday gifts at our Artisans Gallery through December 20.

Program Highlights

Virtual Program

[The Textile Museum Journal Symposium](#)

Sat., Dec. 6, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Join us for an online symposium with contributing authors to volume 52 of The Textile Museum Journal. Slated for release this month, the latest volume commemorates the museum's centennial with new scholarship on The Textile Museum Collection.

Free, registration required



Virtual and In-Person Program

[Book Talk: Artisans by Design with Judy Frater](#)

Tuesday, December 9, 1 p.m.

In this discussion of her book *Artisans by Design: An Odyssey of Education for Textile Artisans in India*, former Textile Museum curator Judy Frater chronicles her journey in developing India's first design school for artisans.

Free, registration required



Virtual and In-Person Program

[Cotsen Textile Traces Talk: The Black Atlantic: Embroidery, Imperialism and Mobility in the Horn of Africa](#)



From Africa

Thursday, December 11, 1 p.m.



GW students share their research for

"The Black Atlantic" micro exhibition—now on view at the museum—which uses embroidered legging fragment from 1940s Ethiopia to explore the country's relationship with the rest of the African continent and the Western world.

Free, registration required

Annual Fund



Support the Museum

As The Textile Museum's centennial celebration comes to a close, you can be a champion for the next 100 years of textiles. [Make an Annual Fund](#) to help bring the world of textiles to a new generation.

Now on View

[Enduring Traditions: Celebrating the World of Textiles](#)

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Through December 20, 2025

[Source Material: Lessons in Responsible Fashion](#)

Through April 11, 2026

[Micro Exhibition: The Black Atlantic](#)

Through January 2026

[Capital Accommodations](#)

Through February 28, 2026

[From A to DC: Transportation in Washington](#)

Through February 28, 2026

[Textiles 101 Gallery](#)

Ongoing

[Treasures from the Albert H. Small Washingtoniana Collection](#)

Ongoing

[Book a tour](#) with one of our docents.

Upcoming Programs

Saturday, December 6, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

[The Textile Museum Journal Symposium](#) (Virtual)

Monday, December 8, 12 p.m.

[D.C. Mondays: George Washington and His World](#) (Virtual and In Person)

Tuesday, December 9, 1 p.m.

[Book Talk: Artisans by Design with Judy Frater](#) (Virtual and In Person)

Thursday, December 11, 1 p.m.

[Cotsen Textile Traces Talk: The Black Atlantic: Embroidery, Imperialism and Mobility in the Horn of Africa](#) (Virtual and In Person)

Friday, December 12, 1 p.m.

[Member Program: Collector Conversations: Bea Roberts](#) (Virtual)

[Visit our website](#) for video recordings of past programs.



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*Open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Holiday hours: Closed December 21 through January 5.*

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was one of the signature events of the centennial celebration. Photo by Abby Greenawalt.