

Trailing of the Sheep Festival



"To gather, present, and preserve the history and cultures of sheepherding in Idaho and the West"

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TRAILING OF THE SHEEP FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES SHEEP QUILT PROJECT

The Board of Directors of the Trailing of the Sheep Festival is pleased to announce plans for a Sheep Quilt Project for the Festival's 25th Anniversary. The Festival is soliciting squares from anyone who wishes to participate to be sewn together to make a quilt which will be raffled off at the Happy Trails Festival Closing Party on Sunday, October 10, 2021. This special, commemorative piece will help raise funds to produce the Festival. Depending on the number of squares received, multiple quilts may be created.

Description: Quilt squares can be made of any fabric and may be crocheted, knitted or felt. The theme is SHEEP and can include sheep ranching life, the Festival and sheep life.

Requirements:

1. All materials used must be prewashed to reduce shrinkage.
2. If not washable, identify square as such.
3. If made of any 'see through' materials (like crochet), please attach securely onto a fabric backing.
4. **Finished squares must be 12"x12" PLUS allow at least 1" for seams. Submit a 13" x 13" square with your image covering the full 12"x12" space.**
5. Include up to 50 words about you and your art and 20 words about your square. The Festival will be publishing the stories with the completed quilt.

Please contact Sheila Kelley via sheila@trailingofthesheep.org, by **October 15, 2020**, to let her know you intend to submit a square or with any questions. Squares, Bio and Square Stories need to be received by **December 31, 2020**. Also, please let her know if you are interested in creating a special Festival square.

Once the squares are received, they will be sewn together with a wool batting by Festival friends. The quilt(s) will be completed, on display and raffle tickets will go on sale July 1, 2021.

Details on the Festival will continue to be posted at www.trailingofthesheep.org.

More About the Festival

The Trailing of the Sheep Festival will celebrate its 25th year, October 6–10, 2021, in the picturesque Wood River Valley of Idaho. Each Fall, the popular Festival celebrates the 150+ year tradition of moving sheep ('trailing') from high mountain summer pastures down through the Valley to traditional winter grazing and lambing areas in the south. This annual migration is Idaho living history and a family-friendly festival (with estimated attendance of 25,000 people) that highlights the people, arts, cultures, and traditions of sheep ranching in Idaho and the West.