



## THE TEXTILE MUSEUM

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### **ENJOY A SPECIAL EXCURSION TO THE HOME OF TEXTILE DESIGNER JACK LENOR LARSEN**

**WHAT:** Excursion to LongHouse Reserve in East Hampton, NY

Join fellow textile enthusiasts for a day-long excursion to LongHouse Reserve, home of renowned textile designer Jack Lenor Larsen. In 2005, Larsen was awarded the The Textile Museum's inaugural George Hewitt Myers Award for lifetime achievement in the textile arts. His home, located in East Hampton, NY, is inspired by the famous Japanese shrine at Ise and exemplifies living with art in all its forms. During the visit, enjoy 16 acres of beautifully landscaped gardens with plant collections and outdoor sculpture as well as a tour of LongHouse lead by Larsen himself. Don't miss an opportunity to visit this spectacular location at its loveliest!

Fee: \$160/Textile Museum members; \$195/non-members (includes a one-year Textile Museum membership). Advance registration required; space is limited. Call (202) 667-0441, ext. 64. *Tour fee includes transportation between midtown Manhattan and East Hampton by motor coach, lunch, refreshments, driver gratuity and admission. Transportation to and from Manhattan and any lodging that may be necessary are not included.*

**WHEN:** Saturday, June 14, 8:30 am – 6:30 pm

**ABOUT THE TEXTILE MUSEUM:** Founded in 1925 by George Hewitt Myers, The Textile Museum is an international center for the exhibition, study, collection and preservation of the textile arts. The Museum explores the role that textiles play in the daily and ceremonial life of individuals the world over. Special attention is given to textiles of the Near East, Asia, Africa and the indigenous cultures of the Americas. The Museum also presents exhibitions of historical and contemporary quilts, and fiber art. With a collection of more than 18,000 textiles and rugs and an unparalleled library, The Textile Museum is a unique and valuable resource for people locally, nationally and internationally.

The Textile Museum is located at 2320 'S' Street, NW in Washington, DC. The Museum is open Monday - Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Sunday 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Admission is free; suggested donation is \$5.00. For further information, call 202-667-0441 or visit [www.textilemuseum.org](http://www.textilemuseum.org).

In fall 2009, The Textile Museum will open an expansion space, dedicated to rotating exhibition and public programs, at 421 7<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, in Washington's Penn Quarter neighborhood. For more information about this exciting initiative, please visit [www.textilemuseum.org/expansion.htm](http://www.textilemuseum.org/expansion.htm)

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