

Museum Happenings

Delicate Stitchers Quilt Guild's 23rd Annual Themed Quilt Show

by Moab Museum staff

The Moab Museum is pleased to showcase the annual Delicate Stitchers Quilt Show beginning Saturday, July 6th. This year is the Quilt Guild's twenty-third Annual Themed Challenge Show and the twenty-third year at the Moab Museum. This year's theme, *Seasons*, gives quilters the interpretive challenge of either calendar seasons or personal seasons. A variety of techniques and styles have been incorporated this year, including machine and hand-quilting as well as hand-embroidery, painting, and appliqué which display the artistic personalities of each of the participants.

This year, the Quilt Guild's Challenge Show presents 29 individual pieces from 12 different artists, including 5 "encore" quilts, which have been shown in previous years but fit into this year's theme.

Art Walk: Friday, August 2nd

Viewers are invited to vote for their favorite quilts and visit with quilters themselves during the Moab Arts "Art Walk" on Friday, August 2nd from 5-8 p.m., the FREE opening of the Quilt Show. August's Art Walk also provides an opportunity for visitors to share their own "seasonal" stories with Annie Dalton, the current Community Artist in the Parks at the National Park Service's Southeast Utah Group. Dalton is gathering stories related to native plants, their uses, and any seasonal traditions community members engage in as part of her creative work within the parks. If you have any stories to share, pull up a chair and join Dalton at the Museum during Art Walk to record a story.

The Quilt Show will be on display through Saturday, August 17th, just prior to the Moab Museum's exhibition installation closure during the last two weeks of August. To find the Quilt Guild's work following the show, quilters will again present their work in 2026 at the biannual Quilting in the Red Rocks Show.

Pioneer Day: Wednesday, July 24th

Pioneer Day, Wednesday, July 24th from 7-9 p.m. also presents a wonderful summer evening to view the quilt show, snag some free ice cream, and enjoy lawn games, local music, and time with your neighbors and community at the Moab Museum. Join the staff and trustees for our Annual Ice Cream Social!



The Circle Game quilt, by Peggy Hardy, will be on display at the Moab Museum as part of the Delicate Stitchers Quilt Guild's 23rd annual themed quilt challenge.

Art for the Parks: Linocutting with Local Artist Riley Lubich

Also this month: A Friends of Arches and Canyonlands National Parks (FOACP) linocutting workshop with local artist Riley Lubich takes place at the Moab Museum on July 2nd, 16th, and 30th from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Immerse yourself in the art of linocutting under the guidance of renowned local artist Riley Lubich. This hands-on workshop offers a unique opportunity to explore the intricate process of linocutting, from design to printing. Perfect for all ages and skill levels, whether you are a beginner or an experienced artist. All materials will be provided, and Lubich will be there to assist you every step of the way. Register for the event and learn more at FOACP.org



Hours:
9am-5pm
Thursday-Saturday

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Intern Curates New Exhibit at Grand County Public Library



Visitors to the Grand County Public Library should keep an eye out for crinoids, cycads, and *Camarasaurus*, thanks to Museum intern Christopher Moreira. A new display in the library's exhibit cases was installed in mid-May 2024 by Moreira, a student at the Student Career and Success Center.



Public Program Manager, Mary Langworthy.

Moreira recently completed an internship with the Moab Museum, during which time he researched a selection of fossils from the Collection and selected several to display to help tell the story of how life on Earth has evolved.



The exhibit that Moreira curated, entitled "Life Over Time," displays a broad array of fossils of many different ages, inviting viewers to see a tremendous variety of life forms from Earth's past in one exhibit. Moab Museum Public Programs Manager Mary Langworthy said that Moreira is "passionate about paleontology, with an inquisitive mind and enthusiasm for research."

Throughout the internship, Moreira enjoyed learning about the "fascinating and unique animals that have lived on this earth before us," including researching what they ate, and how they were adapted to their specific ecosystems. Moreira reflected that the internship experience "confirmed my love for paleontology and helped me be hands-on with fossil of animals I am very interested in."



Chris Moriera

The exhibit will be on display for about a year. Grand County Public Library, 257 E. Center St, Moab. Hours: 9am - 8pm

And be sure to mention you read about it in *Moab Happenings*.



Exhibition at Dead Horse Point State Park Visitor Center

Spirit and Grit: Ranching in Canyonlands

Explore the story of settlers who pieced together a hardscrabble living in early Moab, from the 1870s onward, in this temporary exhibit at the Dead Horse State Park Visitor Center. Visitors to *Spirit and Grit* experience a window into the lives of some of these early settlers through this immersive satellite exhibit.

Spirit and Grit, an extension of stories told at the Moab Museum, was curated by the Moab Museum's Curatorial and Collections Manager, in collaboration with the Moab Museum of Film and Western Heritage (MMFWH), and with assistance from longtime Moabite and local historian Mark Beeson. Featuring historic photographs, objects, stories, and a life-sized cow camp, the exhibition paints a vibrant portrait of ranch life in the area of canyonlands at the turn of the twentieth century.



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