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Press Release

Art From the Hart Gallery

Re: Teresa Hodgson Show

Teresa Hodgson's Quilts at the Art From the Hart

Teresa Hodgson will display her quilts at the **Art from the Hart** gallery at the Ferndale Repertory Theatre during the months of April and May. The opening is in conjunction with the Rep production of *Hair* at the Rep. A wine and hors d'oeuvre reception for the artist will be held from 6:30 P.M. until curtain time at 8 P.M. on Saturday, April 5th in gallery, located in the Box Office of the Ferndale Repertory Theatre, 447 Main Street in Ferndale.

Teresa says, "As an artist with an extensive background in fabric, painting, and printmaking, quilting has become my specialty. I am using cloth to inspire, inform, and create my work. My quilts are primarily free form in design, based on doodles, drawings, on prints, collage in many of its permutations, the designs I find in hand-made fabrics and in my own mind. My quilts employ a unique system of curved seam piecing which I developed.

As a young quilter, I envisioned designs that seemed impossible to construct. It took nearly twenty years for me to find a way to piece quilts without distortion of the design. No one should have to wait that long to figure out how to make her, or his, personal vision in quilting. That is why I became a teacher. I believe that anything one can draw on paper can be made with cloth.

My quilts have won a number of awards for design and color, and I've taught my methods in New Zealand and the western United States, including Alaska.

I have been teaching since 1997 and find that I consistently delight in helping other quilters discover new ways to express their personal vision through quilting. I continue to develop new classes using my methods of curved seam piecing and the special sewing challenges it presents. I teach a color class as well, utilizing color theory techniques learned while completing my Bachelor's Degree in Art at Sonoma State University."

Visit Teresa's web site, www.spiralt.com or the theatre's web site, www.ferndale-rep.org for more information.

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