# Threads of Democracy

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# Community Quilt Project

Scan this QR Code for more information about the Community Quilt Project.

Whe you submit your Quilt Square, please fill out the online form on our website so we can document your Quilt Square Design.

Your Quilt Square Design Choices should reflect any of the following:

- What does being an American mean to you, your family, and/or your community?
- What does the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence mean to you, your family, and/or your community?
- What does democracy mean to you, your family, and/or your community?

Submit your Quilt Squares by March 31, 2027 to the Wood County District Public Library main desk area.

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The Threads of Democracy project celebrates the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and aims to inspire community members of all ages to express their connection to America.

The project is centered around the book *Betsy Ross and the Making of America* by historian Marla R. Miller. Her research interests lie in women in textiles during the 18th century, and her book on Betsy Ross plays a central role in this project.

**September 29 | 7-8 p.m.**

**Threads of Democracy Kickoff Event**
Guest speaker: Todd Kleismet, Ohio 250
Wood County District Public Library Atrium

**October 28 | 6:30-8 p.m.**

**Author Talk with Marla R. Miller**
Wood County District Public Library Atrium

**December 12 | 1-4 p.m.**

**Heritage Holiday Festival**
Flag and Quilt Crafts
Carter Historic Farm

**January 26 | 4-5:30 p.m.**

**Book Discussion: Textiles and Memory**
Led by: Michelle Sweetser, Head Librarian
BGSU Center for Archival Collections
Wood County Committee on Aging

**February 9 | 4:30-6 p.m.**

**Book Discussion: Black History Month**
Led by: Dr. Kelli Barnes, Historian and material culture scholar
Wood County District Public Library

**March 30 | 5-6:30 p.m.**

**Book Discussion: Revolutionary Women and the Making of America**
Led by: Andrea Freimuth, Bluffton University
BGSU Jerome Library, Pallister Room

## Community Quilt Assembly

**April 8 | 3 to 7 p.m.**
Wood County Committee on Aging
**April 17 | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**
Wood County District Public Library

**April 19 | 12 to 4 p.m.**
Wood County Committee on Aging
**April 24 | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**
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