



WHAT: **Sheep to Shawl - Family Fun Festival!**
WHERE: The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem, OR, 97301
WHEN: Saturday, May 21, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
COST: **FREE**
INFO: 503-585-7012, <http://www.missionmill.org>

The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill is pleased to announce its next popular Family Fun Festival - Sheep to Shawl!

Bring your friends and family to The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill and explore Salem's rich heritage!

Wander through the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill and marvel at the complex machinery.

Enjoy sheep and sheep-shearing, cashmere goats, specialty Swedish sheep, Shetland sheep, a horse, alpacas, rabbits, and little baby lambs.

Taste a sample of freshly prepared Dutch Oven Cooking treats, while your children try on period costumes for a pioneer fashion show.

Don't miss the special appearance of A. C. Gilbert's Discovery Village's Bubble Girl. See a rope making machine in action and marvel at a full-size covered wagon from Yamhill County Historical Society.

Watch "What NOT to wear in 1840," a special presentation from 11:00 am and 2:00 pm.

Enjoy fascinating demonstrations of spinning, weaving, quilting, knitting, rug hooking and lace making by local fiber artists.

Learn from a blacksmith demonstration, listen and enjoy a wide variety of music from area performers.

Purchase a plant from the Salem Area Garden Cub plant sale.

Eat at the Mission Mill Café.

Purchase area vendor wares like hand-dyed yarns, or browse through the wonderful shops in the old warehouse building.

Check out the Sheep to Shawl coloring contest for children ages 4 through 12 and download an entry form online at <http://www.missionmill.org/calender.html>. All entries are due by 3:00 pm on Monday, May 23.

This event is generously sponsored by The Canoe Group and Mills Jacobson Halliday, P.C.

The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, a unification between Mission Mill Museum and Marion County Historical Society, is a stroll through the history of the Willamette Valley. Its 5-acre campus is home to the 1841 Jason Lee house (arguably the oldest wooden framed house in Oregon), 1841 Willamette Mission Parsonage, 1847 John Boon home, 1858 Pleasant Grove Church and the 1896 Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, named an *American Treasure* by the National Park Service. Since its founding in 1964 as a private non-profit association, Mission Mill Museum has established a reputation as a leader in the preservation and interpretation of Oregon's history. The museum's histories are shared with visitors

through daily and group tours, speakers, living history, children's programs, hands-on activities, special events, the museum store and rental facilities. For more information call 503-585-7012 or visit <http://www.missionmill.org>.

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