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Nos Da, Good Night!

A Panoply of Historic Welsh Quilts

10 March - 10 November

The **Welsh Quilt Centre's final ever exhibition** has just opened. The show is a beautiful retrospective of the Centre's exhibitions over the last 10 years. The whole spectrum of Welsh quilts is on show, making this unmissable for lovers of textiles, art, history and Welsh culture.

Many facets of Welsh quilting are on display from the 19th century to the mid-20th century. Early utilitarian flannel quilts are hung alongside paisley, wholecloth and patchwork Welsh quilts, creating an absolute feast for the eyes! The wider influence of Welsh quilting is also touched upon, such as its effect upon Amish communities of Ohio and Pennsylvania. Our star guest exhibitor is also back, as Kaffe Fassett's dazzling quilts can be seen in the show. Kaffe is himself a fan of Welsh quilting and The Welsh Quilt Centre.

This will be the final chance for visitors to see Welsh quilts on display in Lampeter's historic town hall which was transformed from being an unloved, dilapidated building in the heart of Lampeter to a beautiful monument showcasing Jen Jones' Welsh quilt collection.

It is not an overstatement to say that Jen has single handedly saved the heritage of Welsh quilts through collecting these textiles since she arrived in Wales in the 1970s. At that point Welsh quilts were widely considered 'old bedding' and so were readily discarded and thrown away. Thankfully Jen recognised their value and began salvaging Welsh quilts. Come and see for yourself the beautiful result of her efforts as ***Nos Da, Good Night!*** shows the creme-de-la-crème of her personal quilt collection.

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