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European Textile Forum

7-13 September 2009, Eindhoven, Netherlands

Working in historical textile crafts can be a very lonely affair. To help remedy this, we are organising a get-together we named “European Textile Forum” for people working in historical textile crafts. The event will take place on 7-13 September 2009 in Eindhoven, Netherlands. The programme consists of three parts: An

archaeological spinning experiment in the morning; free time to demonstrate, try out and talk about textiles and textile techniques in the afternoon; as well as a series of short paper sessions in the evening hours. We would like to present current projects, reconstructions, technical problems or research work during those talks. Poster



presentations, including a “show-and-tell” of your current project in progress, are also very welcome.

We want to give fifty textile experts the opportunity to meet at the museum for one whole week, each with his or her project(s), and there is free time to work, chat, demonstrate and talk about textiles and textile crafts during the day. We have chosen dyeing, tablet weaving and spinning as main focus points of this first forum, but experts for all other textile techniques are more than welcome as well. The time frame for techniques is set from the Bronze Age to the early 16th century AD.

The museum is open to the public and we are inviting other weavers, spinners, dyers, etc. to come so they can

also sit, work and talk with both guests and participants. With this opportunity for everybody interested in textiles, we want to help establish a better communication between professionals and non-professionals like Living History enthusiasts - because we are sure that both sides will profit from a closer contact with each other. On the weekend there will be a small market for textiles, fibres and textile tools in the museum. With this market, we hope to supply craftspeople with tools and materials that can be hard to find.

For more information see <http://www.textilforum.org>.