

A Stitch In History

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The Oxbow Quilt

This quilt tells the story of this semester's experience at The Oxbow School. To me, one of the most important aspects of Oxbow is the amazing people I have met here. I asked each of my peers to donate an item of clothing to the quilt so the final product is a group self-portrait in a medium whose history is entrenched in community. Each item of clothing holds so many stories about the wearer. I personally have many stories related to items of clothing, like the skirt I wore on my first day of high school or the shirt I was wearing when I had my first kiss. Many of the clothing items even commemorate a specific event, like a school play or sporting event.

This quilt's pattern is formed by geometric patterns found on the Oxbow campus: the shape of the windows, stairs, dining hall, and many other locations. By bringing together patterns I see every day and the stories of my classmates, I hope to convey a good deal of the story of my Oxbow experience.

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