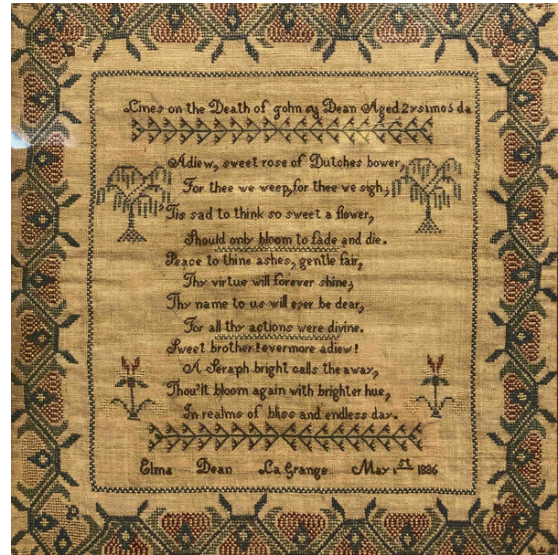


Dutchess County Sampler Initiative

in collaboration with the national
Sampler Archive Project

Announcing the *Dutchess County Sampler Initiative* - a county wide effort to locate, photograph, and document American samplers and related girlhood embroideries held in the public and private collections of Dutchess County, New York. Coordinators for this initiative are working with local museums, historical societies, historic homes, private collectors, and descendants, to identify antique schoolgirl samplers in their collections and document them for inclusion in the *Sampler Archive*, an online searchable database of American schoolgirl needlework (samplerarchive.org).



Elma Dean, 1836 La Grange, NY
Dutchess County Historical Society



Ann Townsend, 1807 Pleasant Valley, NY
Dutchess County Historical Society



Detail from Hannah Jane Martin, 1836 Poughkeepsie, NY
Private Dutchess County Collection

To join this initiative you can:

Donate: All \$ donations are used to offset the costs of professional photography and image management.

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Communicate: Is there a sampler collector in your life? Have you inherited an ancestor's sampler? Let us know!

Volunteer: We need volunteers to document samplers, in-person or online. Training & support provided.

Share: Bring your antique samplers to a Sampler Identification & Documentation Day (Sampler ID Day).

June 2 - 3, 2023, Starr Library, Rhinebeck

Sept. 8 - 9, 2023, Wallace Center, FDR Historic Site, Hyde Park

Fridays, 12:00 - 4:00 pm, by appointment only

Saturdays, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, appointments & walk-ins

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