



Shepherd and Shepherdess, n.d.  
Probably Middlebury, Vermont  
Garthwaite Family Collection

# The Vermont Sampler Initiative announces

## *Sampler and Embroidery ID Days*

**November 15-16, 2024**

Holy Family St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
Essex Junction, Vermont

*Do you own an antique sampler or embroidery made before 1900? If yes, please share your piece of history with us.*

Embroidered **samplers, maps and pictures** were an essential component of a girl's education and give insight about their lives, their families, and their communities. Your heirloom will add to our understanding of the history of women and girls in Vermont and beyond.

*The Vermont Sampler Initiative* is working to identify, photograph, and document all American made schoolgirl embroideries made before 1900 that are now in public and private collections in Vermont.

The images and information we collect will be included in the on-line national Sampler Archive database ([samplerarchive.org](http://samplerarchive.org)) and be available to historians throughout the world.



Emily Caroline Starr, c. 1828 Age 13  
Burlington, Vermont  
Garthwaite Family Collection

### Hours

Friday, November 15, 2024      10:00 – 4:00 By appointment only  
Saturday, November 16, 2024    9:30 – 2:30 By appointment or walk in

**To make an appointment**

Or

**Choose our new E-mail registration option**

Contact: [Samplersvt@gmail.com](mailto:Samplersvt@gmail.com)

