An artistic celebration of the influence of Scots and their culture around the world.

Communities from twenty-five nations joining together to tell their stories.

The perfect exhibition for Scotland’s *Year of Homecoming* 2014!

The Scottish Diaspora Tapestry

Scotland’s global legacy as it has never been seen before, stitched by Diaspora communities in 25 countries across the world!

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Welcoming the World

The Scottish Diaspora Tapestry is an inspiring ambitious community arts project organised by Prestoungrange Arts Festival, the team behind the famous Prestonpans Tapestry.

Since 2012 we have been contacting communities with Scottish roots right across the world, offering an irresistible invitation: why not tell Scotland your story!

Since then a vast team of international volunteers has been busy researching, reporting, and stitching their links to Scotland. No other visual arts project has ever attempted to connect the Scottish Diaspora in this way!

Creating the Tapestry

With communities far and wide sending us their stories, our artist Andrew Crummy prepared panel designs for their verification. With details agreed, the stitching commenced!

The completed Tapestry records stories from twenty-five different countries, spanning the centuries and reflecting the breadth and influence of Scotland’s diaspora legacy.

Thousands of hours’ work, millions of stitches by hundreds of volunteer hands, will now come together to form a major exhibition touring Scotland in 2014.

Where to see The Scottish Diaspora Tapestry in SCOTLAND’S YEAR OF HOMECOMING 2014

31st May - 8th June
WORLD PREMIERE - Three Harbours Arts Festival
Prestonpans Community Centre, East Lothian

23rd June - 23rd July
MacRobert Centre, Stirling University

6th August - 31st August
St Mary’s Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh

6th September - 22nd September
Anchor Mill, Paisley

27th September - 25th October
Inverness Museum & Art Gallery and St Fergus Gallery, Wick

Homecoming Year

The project has been designed to coincide with Scotland’s Year of Homecoming 2014. The completed Tapestry will launch in its hometown of Prestonpans in East Lothian. Thereafter it will be on display at venues across Scotland.

Homecoming 2014 is Scotland’s invitation to the people of the Diaspora to return and rediscover their roots. Make the Tapestry an important part of that journey, wherever you come from.

Homeland Communities

The Tapestry connects nations across the world, weaving them together with the common thread of Scottish cultural and historical influence. Discover how you fit into this global community.

Throughout the year, and beyond, the Tapestry will seek to display its relevant parts not only at major exhibitions but also in Scottish communities directly associated with the Diaspora communities who stitched them. Look out for more details on our website.

Beyond 2014

The story does not end there! In 2015 we are offering the communities who have stitched the Tapestry the chance to exhibit it, and thereafter it will tour far and wide. And we know there always are more stories to tell...