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Textile Center's Slow Fashion Sale returns for the 3rd year, featuring homemade and upcycled garments donated by local textile artists

Thursday, July 9 – Saturday, July 11, 2026



(Minneapolis – Tuesday, June 30, 2026) – As fast fashion and online ordering become increasingly convenient, while slow fashion and ethical alternatives are not always accessible, Textile Center's **Slow Fashion Sale** offers an opportunity to shop more intentionally. The sale features homemade garments and accessories created with creativity and care. All items are donated by artists and makers from across the Twin Cities (this year, over 100!), and proceeds support Textile Center's fiber art programming for all.

How Slow Fashion Sale was born:

Over the years, a number of garments donated by local artists have made their way into Textile Center's hands, leading to occasional pop-up sales in our shop called *Fiber Finds*. We know how generous our textile community is, and we see that generosity reflected in the mountains of supply donations we receive during donation days for our Textile Garage Sales and The Stashery. **Beyond the sale of secondhand textile supplies, we recognized the need for an event focused specifically on handmade and upcycled garments.**

It can be difficult to let go of a piece that has had so much time and thought channeled into it. These garments may no longer fit their maker quite right, may have a slight flaw, or simply no longer match their style, causing them to sit in stashes and at the backs of closets. The Slow Fashion Sale helps get these pieces into the hands of fashion appreciators who will cherish them.

Donating these items to Textile Center's Slow Fashion Sale instead of a thrift store allows us to act as matchmakers, helping find new homes for knit sweaters, hand dyed shirts, handwoven vests, crocheted scarves, block-printed shirts, quilted jackets, and the various other treasures that arrive in our hands on Donation Day.



New this year:

The Slow Fashion Sale is growing! The demand was there, and this year we return for our third year, moving from a single classroom to an auditorium twice the size. Plus, we'll have two changing rooms (no more makeshift try-ons, unless desired!), and guest artist Abbie Kenyon will be popping up all weekend with onsite creative consultation and alteration services so you can customize your new threads.

At a time when environmental impact and material reuse are top of mind, the Slow Fashion Sale highlights a model of sustainability through a closed-loop system: unused or excess garments are recirculated into the hands of new owners, reducing waste and extending the life of each piece.

Event Details:

Thursday, July 9, 10 am – 7 pm

Friday, July 10, 10 am – 4 pm

Saturday, July 11, 10 am – 4 pm

While visiting Textile Center for the Slow Fashion Sale, be sure to stop by our [Artisan Shop](#), featuring work by more than 100 artists (most of them Minnesota-based!), and browse fiber art supplies in our secondhand materials shop, [The Stashery](#). You can also explore our free exhibitions, [Mni Sóta: Traditions & Innovations](#) and [TWO-SPIRIT Stories](#).

Traveling to the Event:

Textile Center is located in the Prospect Park neighborhood of Minneapolis at 3000 University Ave SE, just off the Prospect Park Green Line. For those driving, parking information is available on [Textile Center's website](#).

About Textile Center – A National Center for Fiber Art:

Textile Center is unique as a national center for fiber art, with a mission to honor textile traditions, promote excellence and innovation, nurture appreciation, and inspire widespread participation in fiber arts. The Center's resources include exceptional fiber art exhibitions, an artisan shop, a secondhand supplies shop, the region's only accessible professional-grade dye lab, a natural dye plant garden, and one of the nation's largest circulating textile libraries open to the public. Textile Center produces more than 200 classes a year for all ages and skill levels through its youth, adult, and outreach programs. A dynamic hub of fiber activity for more than 30 years, Textile Center brings people together in community to learn, create, share, and be inspired by fiber art. For more information, visit: textilecentermn.org.

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