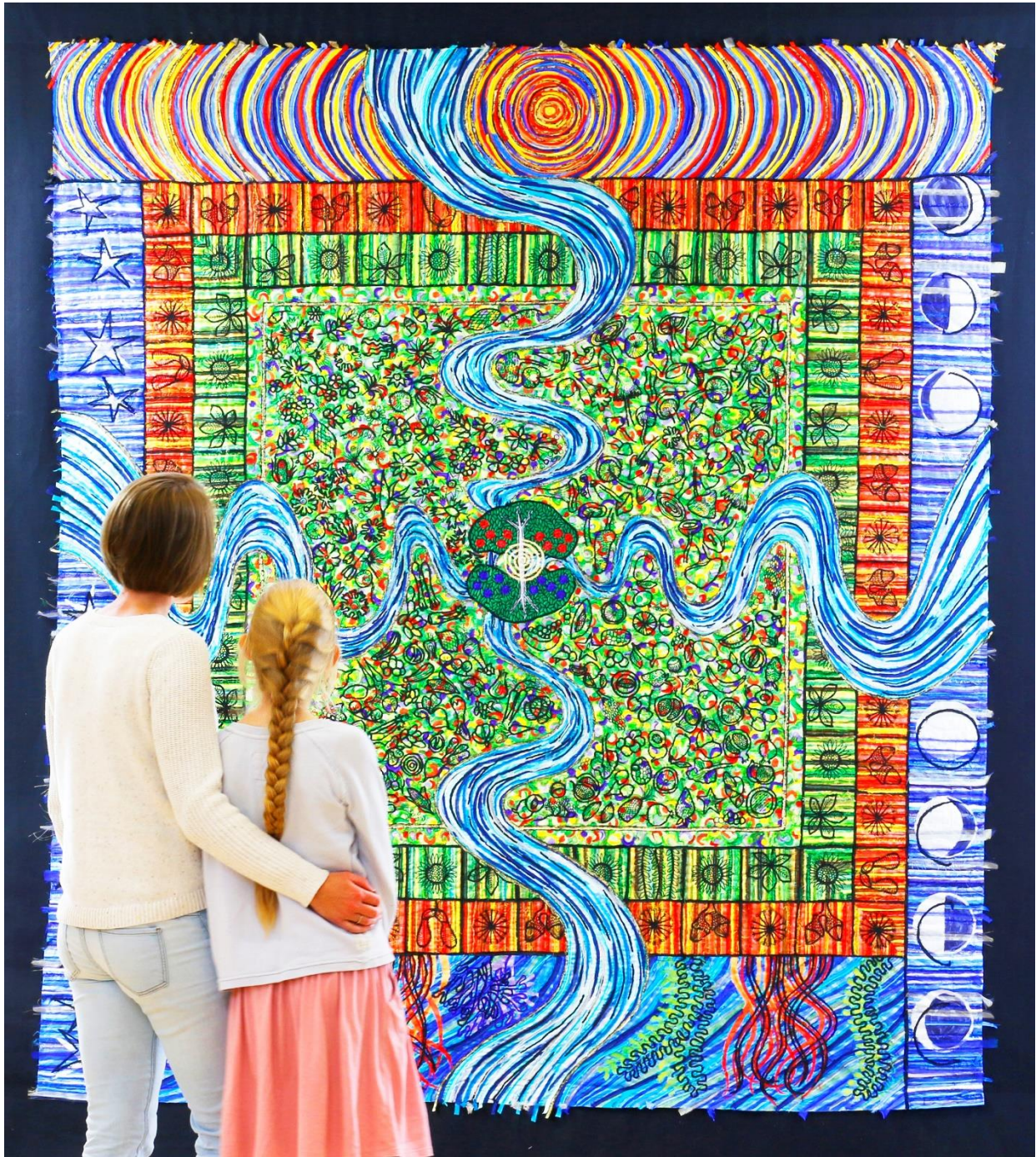


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Visit Lancaster Priory this autumn, and you'll be able to enjoy a spectacular art exhibition. 'Threads through Creation' is a stunning display of twelve huge embroidered panels that explore the story of creation.

Inspired by Genesis, the first book in the Bible, textile artist Jacqui Parkinson reimagines this ancient story in a vibrant combination of silks, hand-dyed materials, metallic leathers, gold leaf – with eight million stitches!

The panels, 2.5m high and as wide as 3.5m, vary in appearance from elemental pieces illustrating the first days of creation, to complex and lush work as we enter the Garden of Eden. Jacqui's work is eye-catching and attractive, highly accessible for viewers of all ages. Whilst the serious context of God's good earth and man's impact on it underlies the show, the panels are bold and exuberant, and full of quirky details that bring in a bit of fun.

Speaking about her working methods, she said: 'I start with antique bedsheets, which hold their own tales of life and death. Then I gradually build up my stories by quilting the sheets and painting them with fabric dyes. After that, I add layers of silk, which I stitch into place using thick black thread and a free motion sewing machine. This allows me to construct stitched 'drawings' line upon line.

'My aim is to capture the wonderful extravagance of the creation story - and to delight people who view the panels. Despite Adam and Eve's fall from grace, it remains a story of love and promise, something we can all do with these days.'

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