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THE LAUNDRY EVANGELIST WILL DISH THE DIRT & SHARE LOADS OF TIPS AT THE NEW JERSEY HOME & GARDEN SHOW IN EDISON FEBRUARY 24-26

Patric Richardson, aka The Laundry Guy, will show how to have fun and clean apparel, home textiles with natural materials

Edison, N.J., January 23, 2023—Catch the [Laundry Evangelist](#), Patric Richardson, aka The Laundry Guy on Discovery+, at the 33rd annual [New Jersey Home & Garden Show](#) at the New Jersey Convention Center, Edison, February 24-26. He will answer questions about removing stains and washing delicate textiles--even decorating a laundry room--as he does live every Thursday at 2:30 pm EST on [Facebook](#).

The early proponent and leader of the natural laundry cleaning material trend decries dry cleaning—“No exceptions,” even cashmere sweaters and tailored suits—and commercial laundry products except for color catchers you buy at the grocery store. “They absorb dye, so it doesn’t run and are also great for ‘catching’ diet coke, coffee or hot chocolate. The sheets also grab minerals from hard water that can discolor textiles. Some 85 percent of the water in the country is hard.”

Known for conducting Laundry Camp where attendees learn how to care for apparel and home textiles at his store--Mona Williams in the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn.--Richardson will address how to best use natural cleaning products such as oxygen bleach, vinegar and water, vodka and ammonia. He will share tips for removing liquid foundation from a white cotton blouse and odor from textiles and give you a play-by-play on how to clean rugs—oriental, wool or acrylic—in the snow.

A former employee of high-end retailers Neiman Marcus and Nordstrom and author of the book “Laundry Love, Finding Joy in a Common Chore,” Richardson suggests that as some new clothes start their washing journey, you may want to hand wash them the first few times. “And if I have only one thing, I always wash it by hand. It’s a waste to run a load.” He also advises how to use washer/dryers.

And decorating the laundry room? “Make it a joyful she or he-space. Start by hanging a disco ball. Toss the bare basement bulb in favor of a \$15 fixture with LED bulbs meant for workspaces. Add a rug and a chair. Hide some candy. I bet family won’t follow you to your special place,” says Richardson.

Visitors to the New Jersey Home & Garden Show will also see ideas and products from more than 100 remodelers, contractors, interior designers, landscapers and kitchen & bath designers – most of them locally owned businesses. Handcrafted work of artisans will be for sale in the Marketplace area. Special activities for children include make-and-take crafts, balloon animals and old-fashioned games like bean bag and ring tosses, tic-tac-toe, and a mini fishing pond.

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Website: Visit <https://www.newjerseyhomeshow.com>

Where: New Jersey Convention Center, 97 Sunfield Avenue, Edison, NJ 08837

Hours: Fri. Feb. 24, 3 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Sat. Feb. 25 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sun., Feb. 26, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tickets: \$10 for everyone 16 and older. Children 15 and under free.

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