The “40 Days Around the World” project was presented at the US Capitol in Nashville, TN. The quilt was once again unveiled to an audience of about 70 people including dignitaries from Foreign Embassies, Congressmen, VSA Affiliates, and artists. Dr. Lauren Rudd spoke on behalf of MTSU. Thanks to Carol Swayze and EXL for providing funds for Lauren to be present at this event. An MTSU student, Hannah Holladay, from the ORCO Department was also present since she has served as an intern for VSA TN for a year.

At the end of the reception, the quilt was handed over to the US Department of State's Art in Embassies Program. As the last signature was put into place a member of the Department of State announced "With this signature, this becomes a part of US Cultural History that we will share with the world."