

San Francisco Quilters Guild - March 2015

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## President's Message

The have a fabulous quilt guild. There are a large number of activities in which to participate, yearly events and a variety of great speakers. Every once in a while, I'm tired on meeting night and the speaker doesn't specialize in my preferred area of quilting. Particularly as your President, it's kind of tacky to not show up. Inevitably, the speaker is entertaining and I learn something new. I leave glad I came. I'm actually grateful for everyone who has an interest in quilting different from my own.

Our February speaker, Ben Venom, comes to quilting from an artist's perspective and had to learn the sewing/quilting skills before discovering we even had "rules." I learned there are successful ways to incorporate fabrics I haven't been using, that all quilts don't need to be bed blankets, and he is introducing a whole new audience to quilts. Thank you, Ben.

I was also impressed by Roderick's presentation. He comes to quilting from the perspective of history and has found the beauty in (how do I say this politely?) quilts that have never entered a show let alone won a

ribbon. His latest book has been published and he is the featured author at Book Passage at the Ferry Building the last Wednesday in March. We have all of our quilting predecessors to thank for moving this "craft" to our own level of skill, expertise, and artistic sensibilities that we enjoy today. Thank you, Roderick.

Many quilters think quilts should have a more prominent role as an artistic expression and are working to have them included/featured in art shows. Personally, I don't prefer making "art quilts" although I find many of them beautiful. I like taking pictures of quilts at shows so I can enjoy quilts I like without having to make each of them. So, I invite you to appreciate the speaker and the diversity of speakers we offer at each of our meetings, get inspired by the quilts in our upcoming show, and continue your own creative expression as a quilter. Thank you to our quilt-show chairwomen, Kenan and Lee.

May you also find inspiration and joy at our quilt show and at our Guild meetings.

Jane Strem, SFQG President 2014-2015

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## Speakers of the Month

## March 17th: Jenny Bowker: "Pack and Follow ~ Travel and Quilting"

Since 1997, Jenny Bowker has focused on melding her fine art work with her textile work; she is interested in the way pattern comes into many parts of our lives and she often includes some geometrical piecing in her



work for two reasons: it keeps her technically on her toes, and, it provides a key for traditional quilters to link to her work. Jenny's presentation is of her life as both a quilter and as a diplomat's wife, showing how her travels, mostly in Arab and Islamic countries, have influenced her work. Originally hailing from Australia, locally you may find Jenny teaching through Empty Spools Seminars in Asilomar—

currently where she is scheduled to teach March 22–27. <a href="www.jennybowker.com/quilts">www.jennybowker.com/quilts</a> For information on her Asilomar class, go to <a href="www.emptyspoolsseminars.com/2015session3">www.emptyspoolsseminars.com/2015session3</a>.







### April 21st: Lynne Pillus: "My Journey to the Mechanical Quilt—Why Mechanics?

 $\mathcal{A}$  quilter for almost thirty years, Lynne started as many of us have—the old fashioned way—with templates and a needle and thread. Her first quilts were very traditional and as time went on Lynne started searching



for her own voice. While on a farm tour put on by CSU-Chico, Lynne took a photo of a piece of farm equipment, printed it out, and wondered if it was possible to reproduce that feeling of depth and motion in fabric, to make a quilt . . . It was. And that was the start of the Mechanical Quilt.

Join Lynne as she takes us on her journey to making mechanical quilts—and join our Sewcial workshop on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> to make your own mechanical quilt with Lynne. www.mechanicalquilt.com



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### Secret Pals Gift Ideas

submitted by Cher delaMere, Librarian

We subscribe to five quilting magazines—Quilters Newsletter Magazine, McCall's Quilting, Quilting Arts, American Quilter, and Quiltmaker—and all have variations on "Staff Picks" sections with great gift ideas and newest products available. The products include new tools both small and large, new lines of fabric, books plus digital-format instructional items, and unique items such as quilt-themed wrapping paper.

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### Embroiderers' Guild of America

submitted by Christine Anderson

Monday April 13 7:30 P.M. Drastic Downsizing-Stash Monster Sale



St. John's UCC, 501 Laguna Honda Blvd. Find charted designs, books, fabrics, threads, stitching hoops, wood floor or table-folding stand with clamp, painted kimono canvas, even formerly dreaded UnFinished Objects, as those who found donations here as the opportunity to tame their individual stash of needlework supplies. Skill levels change and thus beginner techniques are outdated for some, while relaxing alternatives to those with stressful employment. This is the start of our new membership year (annual dues are \$68). We welcome you to enjoy the enthusiasm of some who have found ways to master their Ph.D. (project half done). Come up with new things to do with old supplies. Info (415) 668-3224 or sf.egal3@gmail.com

## March Board Meeting

This month's meeting will be held March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M., at Ortega branch library, 3223 Ortega Street. All members are welcome and invited to join; committee chairs please submit email reports if not attending.



### Library News

submitted by Cher delaMere, Librarian

In reading our quilting magazines, certain new resources jump out. The International Quilt Study Center and Museum has created the website <u>worldquilts.quiltstudy.org</u> in which their large international collection is arranged thematically as opposed to style and chronology. The four broad social themes are business, creativity, identity, and engagement. The big question is: how do quilts fit into peoples' lives? The visual access to the quilts includes zoom, so details may be seen. Delicate quilts that might never be displayed are included. See article in *Quilters Newsletter Magazine*, February–March 2015 (p. 34).

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## Community Outreach

submitted by Adrienne Hickman

Pillowcase Project • The quilt show is upon us, and I assume that everyone is busy getting their quilts

ready. If you would like to take a little break after you submit your quilt I will have pillowcase kits at the Community Outreach table at the March meeting. They are quick and easy; nothing to think about. I delivered our final batch of completed pillowcases to UCSF Benioff Pediatric ICU in February for their new facility. I haven't heard from any patients, but the nurses love them. Please pick up a kit!

#### Dimensions for Quilts

preemie quilts: 24" x 24" to 30" x 30" baby quilts: 36" x 36" to 36" x 45"

twin-size quilts: 60" x 80"

Remember that you do not have to complete it before the April meeting, but I would like them back by the May meeting.

Colling All Longorn Quilters (and anyone who can quilt a twin-size quilt on their home machine) Community Outreach has a number of twin-size quilts that need quilting. Epiphany House is ready and waiting for them. They asked for twenty-four; we have delivered five and have three more finished quilts ready to deliver. We also have three tops that are already paired with batting and backs. The quilting doesn't have to be fancy—a computer-generated pattern is fine. But they need to be quilted. If you have a longarm machine, would you be willing to quilt one of SFQG's outreach quilts as a donation? Quilters who use their home machines to quilt large quilts are also encouraged to volunteer. Please talk to me at the meeting or email me at adriennel 52@earthlink.net. We can give you a tax form for the donation.

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## QUILT San Francisco: 2015

Friday, March  $20^{\text{th}}$  10 to 7 • Saturday, March  $21^{\text{SI}}$  10 to 4 The Event Center @ St. Mary's Cathedral • 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

admission: two-day pass \$12

Thank you, Thank you, Thank You! Even though I write this before the quilt show has taken place, I am certain that I can report that it was a huge success. You will hear about that later. Just for now, accept Lee's and my heartfelt thanks for your efforts in making the quilt show a success.

We will have a follow-up meeting, hopefully the second weekend in April. More after we confirm the date. Thank you to our community partners: QuiltWorks and Knight's Catering.

Thank you to our quilting judges—Dixie McBride, Kitty Oliver, Elizabeth Marrs, and Diane Hock—who evaluated our quilts and chose the ribbon winners for our show.



Most of all: Thank you to all of you! Without the Guild and without YOU we wouldn't have a show. So, thank you for entering your quilts and sharing your time and expertise to make this happen. There is still time to volunteer—just sign up at the Guild meeting.

So, finish your quilts, sew on your sleeves and labels, and drop them off at a satellite house because judging is the day after the Guild meeting. Quilt Show San Francisco:

2015 is here and we have a fabulous show. We should all be very proud of the work that will be on display.

submitted by Kenan Shapero

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# QUILT San Francisco: 2015: Two More Things . . .

### Volunteers Still Needed

Sign up at the March 17th meeting, or contact Cher @ (415) 596-1242.

### Planning Meeting

There is only ONE more planning meetings before the show, on March 7th; at 10 A.M. at Police Academy.

## Satellite Houses: Quilt Show Entry Drop-Off

Who: Everyone with quilt-show entries.

When: The weekend *before* the quilt show, Friday March 13th, Saturday March 14th, and Sunday March 15th.

Why: So your entry can be cataloged, sorted, judged (if you desire), and be ready for show set-up.

No provisions have been made for drop-off on judging day, set-up day, or on show days.

Where: See below.

#### Florence Morris

2023 35th Avenue; (Sunset) SF (415) 681-6362. All days, any time.

#### Cathy Miranker

2334 Lake Street; (Richmond) SF (415) 200-8078 All days, after 11:30 A.M.

#### Sue Fox

2525 8th St. #13C; Berkeley (510) 849-0908 or foxdreams@earthlink.net Saturday, Sunday, 1-3

#### Diane Torres

2580 Summit Drive; Burlingame (650) 344-7481. All days, 10-6

#### Gail Angiulo

13 Alta Vista Avenue; Mill Valley (415) 383-8137 Friday, Sunday: all day; Saturday: morning only.

#### Sue Deal

718 B Street; Petaluma (707) 762-4148 or (707) 364-1396. All days, 1-6

#### Roberta Walker

170 Oak Park Dr.; (Inner Sunset) SF (415) 661-6285. All days, any time okay.



free house pattern at pb.tex.com

Reminder: A 4-inch sleeve must be sewn to the top edge of all quilts. Fill out an ID Label (available on the website under Quilt Show 'Info here') and baste it to the lower left corner of the quilt back. Bring your Claim Form with your entries. Please call the Satellite House in advance to let them know you are coming. Questions: contact Gloria Miller, gloriamillersf@gmail.com or (415) 387-6508.

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### Quiltaway 2016 · February 25th-28th

Be sure to save these dates! We've lined up fabulous instructors for Quiltaway 2016! Read all about our teachers—Jean Wells, Laura Nownes, Karla Alexander, and Denise Oyama Miller—and their workshops, on the Guild website. And watch for more details in the coming weeks.

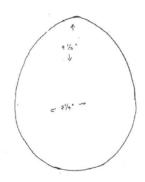


### Block of the Month: Easter Egg

Will be drawn at April 2015 meeting

Cut white or white-on-white 12.5" square. From pieced or plain fabric, cut egg: 9.5" tall x 7.25" wide, or enlarge template, or contact Sheila to get a full-size template. Fuse or appliqué to white background. Decorate before or after attaching to background. Questions? contact Sheila Salomon (415) 566-8326 or email SheilaSalomon@comcast.net

9.5" tall x 7.25" wide egg ->



### Events Calendar

submitted by Martha Schwarz

March 3-April 25...... Pointless Sisters Art Quilt Group's "The Hole Shebang and More" The Rincon Regional Library in Santa Rosa at 6959 Montecito Blvd is hosting this exhibit, which features quilts created in response to the word "holes", a variety of art and traditional quilts, and small fiber-art objects created by members of the Pointless Sisters group. cwhirsch@sonic.net March 7-April 26..... Embellish Your World San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles. 520 S. First Street, San Jose. info@sjquiltmuseum.org San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles. 520 S. First Street, San Jose. info@sjquiltmuseum.org March 14-15.....Santa Clara Valley Quilt Association "40 Years of Quilted Memories" Quilt Show Bay Area Modern Quilt Guild Exhibit, hundreds of quilts, vendors, opportunity baskets, quilts from the San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, Special Collections; Featured artist: Sue Frame. Quilts, quilt appraisals, and much more. Admission \$12; Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara. Fairfield Senior Center, 1200 Civic Drive, Fairfield. Info: www.northwindquiltersguild.com March 25, 6 p.m. Roderick Kiracofe Speaks at Book Passage Book Passage, 1 Ferry Building, San Francisco. Roderick Kiracofe, a recent speaker at our Guild, is launching his new book, Unconventional & Unexpected: American Quilts Below the Radar 1950-2000. The San Francisco Quilters Guild is co-sponsoring this event. Come hear him speak at 6 P.M. Honey Run Quilters (Chico) is sponsoring three separate workshops taught by Sue Spargo. See article below. March 28-29.....Wish Upon a Star Foothill Quilters Guild proudly presents their 33rd annual quilt show at Fairgrounds, 1273 High St, Auburn Admission \$7. free parking, country store, vendor hall, café, and more. www.foothillquilters.org Presented by Guild of Quilters of Contra Costa County, will show at Center Concord, 298 Clayton Rd, Concord. Info: www.gqccc.org April 14-16 ......Adventures in Design, with Joen Wolfrom Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild is sponsoring a three-day workshop with Joen Wolfrom in Gualala. Cost is \$275 for nonmembers. More information on PPQG website or from Kalynn Oleson at (707) 884-1448. Fifteen shops to visit in this annual Shop Hop. A Quilted Heart, Cloth Carousel,

QUILT RUSH Cornerstone Quilt Shoppe, Country Sewing Center, Debbie's Quilt Shop, Fabric Garden, Morning Star Quilts, Quilt Corral, Quilters' Corner, Quilters Quarters,

Sew So Shop, Sugar Pine Quilt Shop, The Rabbit Hole, Thistle Dew Quilt Shoppe, Whistle Stop Quilt & Sew. All shops are open 9 A.M.-7 P.M. Wed-Sat and 10 A.M.-4 P.M. Sun. www.quiltrush.org

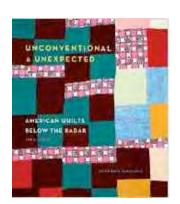
through April 24...... Primal Green II: Our Environment through Quilt Artists Vision and Voice San Francisco Main Library, 5th floor, Wallace Stegner Environmental Center. 100 Larkin St., San Francisco Quilts by members of Contemporary Quilt and Fiber Artists. www.cqfa.org/shows

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## Call for Quirky Quilts

submitted by Carol Damm

Do you have a quilt that is quirky, unconventional, or "breaks the rules"? Roderick Kiracofe would like you to bring it to his book talk on March 25th at Book Passage at the Ferry Building at 6 P.M. He will talk about his new book, Unconventional & Unexpected: American Quilts Below the Radar 1950-2000. Our Guild is cosponsoring this event. Book Passage gave us a free ad for our quilt show in their recent newsletter that went to 40,000 households in the greater Bay Area. Come hear Mr. Kiracofe speak even if you don't have a quirky quilt to share.





## Sue Spargo Offering Workshops in Chico

If you are interested in taking a short drive and a one- or two-day workshop from Sue Spargo, there are three on offer: Workshop 1, Small Chick Play, is offered March 27<sup>th</sup>–28<sup>th</sup>; Workshop 2, Vase of Flowers, March 29<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup>; Workshop 3, Circle Play Zippered Sac, is March 31<sup>st</sup>. For more information and to sign up, contact Honey Run Quilters, (530) 342-5464; honeyrunguilters@gmail.com.



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### Northern California Quilt Council

The purpose of Northern California Quilt Council (NCQC) is to facilitate communication among quilt groups, shop owners, teachers, judges, museums, and vendors. NCQC maintains a master calendar of quilting events occurring in the Northern California area. As a service to our affiliates and the community, NCQC provides lists of teachers, judges, guilds, shops, conferences, museums, and other organizations that promote quilting.

The NCQC does not endorse any individual. For more information, contact the individual or business directly to request their résumés and references. The next meeting, Meet the Teachers, is scheduled for April 15 @ 10 A.M., at the Pleasant Hill Community Center (320 Civic Drive; Pleasant Hill). www.ncqc.net

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### The Sewcial Scene

Sewcials are an important part of SFQG. Here's where we learn new techniques, and relearn those old techniques, share our creativity with each other, and just have fun. A supply list will be provided when you sign up (full supply list at Guild meeting or on website). In addition to the supply list for each Sewcial, please bring: extension cord, cutting board, rotary cutter, sewing machine, rulers, fabric, etc. Arrive about fifteen minutes before the start of the workshop (9:45 a.m.) to set up and get directions so that we can begin on time. Remember, there are no refunds for cancellations. For the comfort of all, please attend Sewcials "fragrance-free." Feel free to bring your lunch or there are several places to eat within walking distance. Please pay fees when you sign up in advance for Sewcials. For more info contact Kellie Neal @ Kellie@tkneal.com. All Sewcials are held at the San Francisco Police Academy unless noted.

#### Directions to the Police Academy:

SF Police Academy 350 Amber Drive (near Duncan and Safeway). Muni bus #52; if by car, free parking.

Join us for a fun Sewcial as Lynne demonstrates her raw-edge method of making her fabulous mechanical quilts—a great gift for someone special, and a terrific technique if you are



new to art quilts. Class includes your choice of Lynne's patterns (included in class fee); the class will also touch on making a pattern from your own photo. Fee of \$60 must be paid with sign-up no later than March 25th; supply list is on Guild website. Select your \$12 pattern at: www.mechanicalquilt.com/shop/patterns/; and please notify Kellie which pattern you've chosen by March 25th, so it will be ready for you at the workshop.



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### San Francisco Quilters Guild Meeting Information

- ≫ Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month (except the November and December meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday) at 7:15 P.M. at the Chinese 7th Day Adventist Church, 7777 Geary Blvd. Doors open @ 6:30 P.M.
- > Guests pay \$5 admission, and all are welcome.
- × Please bring: library books; name tag; sew and tell; secret-pal gift; friendship blocks, block of the month.
- X Board meetings are usually held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M.
- X Sewcials are generally held the Saturday following the Guild meeting, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. at Police Academy.

### \* Newsletter Submissions

The deadline for newsletter submissions is the first Tuesday of the month of publication. All submissions mustbe pre-edited or camera ready. Please email news to Ginger Ashworth, sfqc.editor.gingerashworth@gmail.com. For advertising, email file, then send check to SFQG, P.O. Box 27002, SF 94127. We accept advertising relevant to our membership. For members the 1/8 page rate is \$20/month, the 1/4 page rate is \$40. For nonmembers, \$25 and \$45 respectively. A three-month run is encouraged.

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