



Camarillo Quilters Association

Quilting in Ventura County since 1980

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Quilters-

I hope you are continuing to have a lovely holiday season. While it has no doubt been different from previous years, I trust that you did what you could to make it a meaningful time.

Charles Darwin is quoted as saying, "It is not the strongest of the species that survive, or the most intelligent, but the ones most responsive to change." Quilting gives one great practice for dealing with change. In quilting we can follow a pattern, or we can learn to adapt when needed.

Quilters are creative and adaptable. Sometimes you start a project, and it becomes something totally different. We have certain patterns or rules when we start, but when that doesn't seem to work, we change a rule or two. And that is much, much better than giving up in frustration!

If a block doesn't come out quite right – you could pick it apart and resew it, or you could incorporate that element into your design. Perhaps the blocks become wonky, or smaller than the original pattern directed. Or they are given an extra border. Or you add more of that color than originally planned. Or you use a fabric pen to change the design. Or you quilt the heck out of it to make it flat! We adapt and change our original ideas and make it work for us!

These skills transfer well to everyday life. This year has proved to be challenging for many folks. One could react by insisting the world return to "normal" immediately, or we can adapt to current situations, and make the best of it. I think the latter is the choice to make.

We are fortunate to have a hobby (skill, craft, art) that can be done alone and at home. Many of us have much fabric and many patterns on hand, so we don't need to go shopping. We can use our creativity and experience to make useful and artful items that we and others love. And we can reach out to one another via phone and Zoom to share ideas and have personal contact.

Let us step into 2021 with these optimistic thoughts in our minds and look forward to an adaptive year together! Happy New Year quilters!



Barbara Witman,
CQA, Co-president



MEMBER NEWS



CAMARILLO QUILTERS ASSOCIATION IS INVITING YOU!

The Guild meets the second Tuesday of every month, except in August.

Join our CQA monthly Zoom Meeting: If you have not done this before, you must have a computer, laptop, tablet, or phone with a camera to participate fully. Download the Zoom app onto the device you want to use by going to [Zoom.com](https://zoom.com).

Then, on Tuesday morning, open the app to join the meeting:

OR

If you simply want to listen to the meeting, without video, you can do so by dialing the following number on any phone: 1-669-900-6833



Reminder: Current Board in Office thru May 2021

Please consider taking a position on the CQA Board or being part of the nominating committee. A nominating committee will be formed this month. For general information click on the link for CQA Board [Job Descriptions and Standing Rules](#). Please contact Barbara Witman if you are interested in participating.



FAVORITE TOOLS



Appliquick Tools



Hope you were inspired by Kathy K. Wylie, last month's presenter and purchased a set of Appliquick Tools. Need some tutorials:

Kathy K. Wylie written tutorial:

<https://kathykwylie.com/2016/09/the-apliquick-method-for-turned-edge-applique/>

or catch Rosa Rojas Appliquick tool creator on [The Quilt Show](#)

(Interview starts at the 23:36 min. mark & tutorial starts at the 24:00 min. mark)



MEMBER NEWS



CQA Officers for 2020-2021:

Co-Presidents	Jonal Beck/Barbara Witman
Vice-President	Joey Strait
Secretary	Sue Wilson
Treasurer	Judy Hively

Standing Committee Leaders 2020-2021:

Block of the Month	Marita Clark
Comfort Givers	Sandy Puchlovic
Communications	Cynthia Arnold
Facilities	Judy Cannon
Historian	Jane Aiello
Library	Linda Wilkinson
Member Hospitality	Sandy Cornelius
Membership	Pat Hibner
Newsletter	Jodie Solorio
Seaside Quilt Festival	Sandra Hiebert-Darata
Quilt Show	
Small Groups	Lynne Woods
Speaker Contracts	Maribeth Benedict
Speaker Hospitality	Laura Divine
Travel	Donna Clark
Ways & Means	Kathy Adams
Website	Jennifer Rapacki
Workshops	Andrea Ramirez

Next CQA Board of Directors Meeting:
January 11, 2021 @ 9:30am via Zoom.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Sheryl Montanez- Dinuba

2021 CQA WORKSHOPS

- January - [Colleen Granger](#): "Rings of Change"
- February - [Laura Fraga](#): "Dear Jane" Aficionado
- March - [Anne Shaw](#): "Line Shape and Design of Quilts"

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Watch for the new block of the month on the [CQA website](#). The pattern and directions are there.

It is a good way to practice piecing and making fabric choices without committing to a huge project. Hopefully, we can meet together sometime in 2021 and go back to our previous custom of sharing and drawing for the blocks.

-Marita

All blocks are 12 inches finished.

As you make your blocks, email a photo to Jennifer, our Webmistress, who will post the progress on a BOM Gallery page.

Click here to go to the BOM page:

<https://camarilloquilters.com/blocks/>

If you have any questions, contact Marita Clark at maritaneedscoffee@yahoo.com

Happy New Year!



For last year's words belong to last year's language
And next year's words await another voice.
And to make an end is to make a beginning.
-T.S. Eliot





MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to our 2020 UFO QUILT CHALLENGE Winners!

During our December meeting Maribeth drew names and announced our UFO Challenge winners: Jan Hunter (\$50), Pamuela Hodson (\$25) & Cynthia Arnold (\$25).



2021 CHALLENGE 10 UFO'S N 11 MONTHS

New Year, New Rules! All virtual, No sign ups, and No fees to enter.

- Starts in January and ends in November, with drawing in December.
- Send me a picture via email or text each month of a completed UFO.
- One photo per month for 11 months and you are a winner of a raffle ticket and a chance to win.
- Prize money: One \$50 prize and Two \$25 prizes!

⚠️ You can miss 1 month, but only 1 month. ⚠️ When you miss 2 months, your name will be taken out of the raffle!

If you have completed 10 monthly UFO's, you are in the drawing.

Winners name will be drawn during **our December 14th, 2021** meeting.

Sorry, your name can only be drawn once, if drawn again, I will redraw.

This is a Win-Win. You complete your own UFO's and you might win \$\$\$ too.

Remember to send me 1 picture of an UFO per month for at least 10 months.

Maribeth Benedict email: meriquilter@yahoo or text: (805) 216-8475

Thanks,

Maribeth Benedict

meriquilter@yahoo.com



Want to see more
completed UFO's go
to our CQA
Facebook page!



Cindy was one of
the UFO raffle
winners!!

Enjoy all of her
completed
UFO's!

"Lots of sewing
during COVID."

-Cindy Arnold





Close up
of above
quilt.



Completed quilt from Jenny Carr Kinney's "Re-piece 1880's workshop."





2021 SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

January **Colleen Granger**
12th Lecture "Playing with Precuts"
13th Workshop "Rings and Change"

February **Laura Fraga**
9th Lecture "Dear Jane Quilts"
10th Workshop TBD

March **Ann Shaw**
9th Lecture "Line, Shape and Design in Quilts"
10th Workshop "Foliage or Flowers of the Gorge"

April **Mathew Boudreaux**
13th Lecture TBD
14th Workshop "Lone Star"

May **Minki Kim**
11th Lecture TBD
12th Workshop "Wool Felt Applique"

July **Kathy McNeil**
13th Lecture "Razzle Dazzle Your Quilt"
14th Workshop "Razzle Dazzle Borders"

September **Dora Cary**
14th Lecture TBD
15th Workshop TBD

October **Sandra Johnson**
12th Lecture "Denim Quilts"
13th Workshop "Sashiko"

November **Nancy Prince**
9th Lecture "Trunk Show"
10th Workshop "Thread Painting"

*** June, August and December: No speakers or classes



SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

“Rings of Change”: Pieces of the rings are cut using a template. Once the rings are constructed and pressed you get to play at the design wall. Be sure to use your phone to take pictures as you move the rings from place to place.



Colleen Granger

January 13th WORKSHOP

Colleen Granger

“Rings of Change”: Can be customized to your liking. Pick fabrics that you like, need 18 - fat 1/8 yards (9" x 20"). This project can also be done using a 2 1/2" strip pack (see orange quilt below). The silk quilt has 4 groupings of 7 each colorways to create the ombre effect.

Website: www.sewlittletimequilting.com

To sign up: Call/Text **Andrea Ramirez** (805) 368-6467 or email

baja2sun@yahoo.com

Fee: \$25, Supply list will be sent to you.

Location: Your Home Via Zoom

Time: Starts 9:30am



***If this is too overwhelming, there are also laser cut kits available in either American Made Brand fabrics (shown with the 4-patch background) or laser cut batik kits featuring Hoffman fabrics (shown with the black background).



SCHOOLHOUSE QUILTERS

Old Blocks, New Pieces

Submitted by Jane Aiello

CQA's small group, the Schoolhouse Quilters, follows the same goals as that of the American Quilt Study Group (AQSG) <https://americanquiltstudygroup.org>. AQSG's aim is to preserve the story of quilt making – past, present, and future - with opportunities for study, research, and publication. AQSG is one of the oldest and largest organizations dedicated to quilt related studies with membership reaching across the US and abroad. And CQA is one of only a few quilt guilds that has consistently maintained an organization membership!



Before the 2020's spring stay-at-home mandate, the Schoolhouse Quilters were reviewing the 9-part documentary series Why Quilts Matter, History, Art & Politics <https://www.whyquiltsmatter.org/welcome/>. This series by the Kentucky Quilt Project looks at the unique position of quilts in American culture. Also, at that time, our small group was eagerly anticipating the preparation of the educational display in CQA's Ruby Jubilee Quilt Show.



With this documentary series along with inspiration from the books of Mary Kerr <https://www.marywkerr.com>, the legacy quilts of Paul D. Pilgrim <http://www.hansenmuseum.org/Traveling%20Exhibits/2015quilts/quilts.html> and with a nod to the short story "Smashing the Dresden Plates" by Janet Catherine Berlo, our group decided to challenge ourselves by using vintage/antique Dresden blocks.

This was to be our way of honoring the makers of these iconic blocks by turning their efforts into new quilted pieces. The Schoolhouse Quilters' educational challenge display, with the working title of Old Blocks, New Pieces, like many of your quilts, lost its opportunity to go on display.

Here we would like to share a few of the entries



SCHOOLHOUSE QUILTERS

Presents:
OLD BLOCKS,
NEW PIECES



"Dresden Made Modern" By Lynne Woods



*"Dresden Plate
Reimagined"
By Linda Wilkinson*



"Love is in the Air"
by Mary Ellen Hammel



"Grandma's Plates"
by Kim Froedge



"Untitled"

by Jo Ellen Heil



"The Value of Dresden Plates" by Jane Aiello

When I Am an Old Woman by Alice Evanick

When I am an old woman, I shall dress in
dungarees and sweatshirt,
And my boondocker shoes,
And my husband's baseball cap
And I shall go for walks early in the morning.

I shall check the empty parking lots
And the fast-food drive-ups
And the phone booths
To find the pennies which careless people drop,
And take them home to fill my penny pitcher.

I shall pick up the litter, and put it in its place,
And yell at the litterbugs.

I shall go to the accordion festivals with my husband,
And dance only the polkas.
And to all of the quilt festivals with my daughters,
And go to Disneyland any time anybody wants to go.

I shall play golf every day,
And bowl three times a week.
But first, I will change the odor of bowling alleys
From "stale beer and cigarettes"
To "fresh-baked bread."

I shall buy the best of the fabrics in the quilt shops,
And tiny needles,
And rotary cutters,
And every conceivable color of thread,
And make quilts for my children and grandchildren,
And my friends' grandchildren.

I shall go to flea markets
And garages sales
And estate sales
And buy anything that says, "Take me home."
I shall eat toasted peanut-butter-and-jelly sandwiches,
And corn soup,
And raisins in my oatmeal,
And fresh spinach every day,
And be the healthiest woman in town.

And if I am the last person to leave Olympia,
I shall turn off the lights.

*Submitted by
Barbara Witman
taken from QNM
Dec 95, p. 27*

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Park on East Side of Lot



**CAMARILLO QUILTERS
ASSOCIATION**

<http://www.camarilloquilters.org/>

**Pleasant Valley Community
Center**

1605 E Burnley Dr. Camarillo, CA
93010

DARK in August

Doors open at 8:45 a.m.

Meeting starts promptly at 9:30 am

Cell Phone Quiet Zone - No Perfume Zone