

Adopted on December 11, 2023

CAMARILLO QUILTER'S ASSOCIATION (CQA)
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES FOR November 14, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was conducted by CQA President, Barbara Witman and called to order at 9:30 AM in person at the Camarillo Community Center and on-line by Zoom.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME, REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome New Members and Visitors!

Reminders: Please...Silence Cell Phones, Fragrance Free, No Children. We are reminded to sign in at the Membership Table. This serves as a record and also a safety measure to assure we are all accounted in the event of an emergency.

Birthday Wishes: November Babies:

We all sang happy birthday.

Announcements:

QUILT SHOW: 2024—Cheryl Collart Chair

Sign up with Cheryl Collart to help plan the quilt show, which is April 19-20, 2024. Kathy Adams entertained us with a quilt show rendition of "There's No Business Like Show Business". We are reminded the show is only 5 months away.

Progress Thus Far:

1. *Entry form* guidelines are at the table today. You can pick them up at the table and they are posted on the CQA website.
2. The *next planning meeting* will be held Nov. 20th between 10:00 and 12:00.
3. The *theme* is musical: "Stitching in Harmony". There will be a Challenge category. A maximum size of 24" X 24" is allowed, think record jacket. Cheryl encouraged members to think of this like "Name that tune...", i.e., Glen Campbell's Rhinestone Cowboy. Think of a song and create a challenge quilt. A musical symbol is required somewhere on the challenge quilt. There will be a Workshop Quilts section and a BOM quilt section, neither of these categories requires a musical reference.
4. How to *submit* quilts: One entry form per quilt is required. Members will be given a label card, which will include a personal statement of 50 words or less. Quilts must have a 4" sleeve. Put the quilt in a pillowcase type bag, cotton preferred (no plastic bags please). More than one person can be part of a submitted quilt (musically speaking – duet, trio, quartet....).
5. *Tickets* are \$15.00 per person and will be available at the December meeting.

Small Groups: Vicki Geiger is stepping down from Small Groups Committee Chair. Barbara W. encourages someone to step up, stating it would be a nice position to share with someone else. Please speak to Barbara W. if you are interested. Those interested in being part of a small group focused on Art Quilting, please meet in the foyer area after the meeting.

December Holiday Celebration. There will be no exchange of fat quarters this year. The format has been revised. It will be a surprise...a loudish surprise according to Barbara W.

Congratulations to CQA member, Dena Miskel. Her award winning quilt is hanging to the left of the stage. Her quilt, "Rusty Jane", won Best Machine Quilt at the Pacific Quilt Festival and was accepted at Road to California in 2024.

Lunch today will be held at the Saticoy Country Club. You may join members there and order as you arrive.

We have an opportunity quilt at our meeting today. Please visit our guest Quilt Guild. The drawing will occur February 18, 2024.

BREAK—15 MINUTES

SPEAKER/PROGRAM

Verushka Zarate/Finding Pride and Joy in Quilting Lecture

Vibrant and enthusiastic describes our speaker today. Along with a slide show and several up close and beautiful examples of her work, Verushka spoke about Foundation Paper Piecing (FPP), which, she said to think of as "Wonky Log Cabins".

REPORTS

TREASURER—Patrice Wood

ACCOUNT BALANCE -NOVEMBER: *Checking*=\$9,681.69; *CD*=\$34,066.72;
Savings=\$18,805.59 *TOTAL*=\$62554.00

TECH TEAM— The team is doing great work. If zoomers are having a problem please post it in the Chat portion of the Zoom page.

TRAVEL— Thelma Atkinson

We are having a private retreat at the Old Town Quilt Shop in Orcutt March 1, 2, 3, 2024 (Fri-Sun). \$75.00 per person. Lodging is on your own but a group rate will be available at the Radisson Hotel at the airport which is very close. The group cost is \$135.00/double queens. There will be snacks but food is on your own.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH—Lisa Gorski

The latest BOM directions has been posted on the website. Posting pictures on the website is not working currently. She is aware of the glitch and this is currently being addressed to figure out the problem. The "Quilt of Valor" blocks are due today. 70 blocks have been collected. Lisa will mail them this week. A new design will be released in January 2024.

FREE TABLE—Dalya Dektor

Please visit the table. There are 5 tables. Two of the tables feature theme fabric. If you return a group of fabric that was assembled in a bag, please return it in the same bag. There will not be a free table at the December meeting. Today was the last table of the year.

WORKSHOPS—Vanessa Buescher

The workshop on Wednesday with Verushka Zarate is full. The January workshop, Peas and Pea Pods, will be via ZOOM and is open for registration and has openings. The February workshop, How to Photograph Quilts, is live and open for registration. There will be a display at the April Quilt Show for workshop projects that have been completed. Details to follow.

COMFORT GIVERS—Uela Hodson

Pamuela reported this is the last day to collect the charity quilts. There will be a meeting to decide what organization gets what quilt on Tuesday November 28th at 10:00 AM. Those interested are encouraged to sign up today. The meeting will be at Pamuela's home. Pamuela also announced that she has a quilt kit and a quilt top that were given to her and if anyone would like to finish them to please see her before the end of the meeting today.

WAYS AND MEANS—Kelly DuBois

The member spotlight raffle is Tedi Patterson's Quilt coat. The coat is an XL. Tedi has created a pattern and can be purchased at her Etsy site; [threadybearcreations @etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com/shop/threadybearcreations). There is a possibility a future class will be offered. Bids for the coat close at the end of the break.

RAFFLE—Raffle winners and the Member Spotlight silent auction were announced. Congratulations to all the winners! Hip-Hip-Hooray!

SHOW AND TELL:

Six members shared their beautiful projects today. The projects ranged from our award winning member, to a quilt based on Suduko, scraps used for placemats and the wonder of what to do with orphan blocks and many more. Way to go CQA members!

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS—Barbara Witman

- Thelma announced that the Orcutt retreat already has 8 spaces filled.
- Verushka Zarate brought her specialty thread and it is on sale to the left of stage.
- Library crates can be kept until the January meeting. No Library in December.
- Please join members at the Saticoy Country Club for lunch.

ADJOURNMENT -11:40 AM

Minutes respectfully submitted by
/s/Barbara MacDonald, Secretary