

Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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Join us for a Virtual Zoom Meeting on March 3.

President's Corner

Hello Quilters!

I hope you have all been doing something constructive this past almost year of quarantine. I did a lot of sewing, stacking up many quilts for Philanthropy. Finally, the Ronald McDonald House is accepting them again! Our little group gave Luann about 18 with a bunch of pillowcases from the South Bay Guild. I can, once again, nap on the extra bed and not feel like the Princess and the Pea!

Now I am updating my Quilt Album of all the quilts I have made since 1967, bought at show auctions and antiques purchased and inherited. Somehow, I had a glitch and am having to reenter a whole bunch of quilts. I'd rather be sewing them, but I feel it's important to maintain a record of my passion. I hope you are also keeping a journal, photos or some other list of your quilts. The Quilt Album is a free download from quiltalbum.com.

Tune in to the next Zoom meeting. There will be door prizes again. Be sure to stay until the end of the meeting. You must be present to win!!

Continue to keep calm and quilt on! Kennalee

President - Kennalee Mattson

Programs

We hope you enjoyed our time with Sujata Shah last month. Love her style! Thank you Laurie Reyen for recommending her. If any of you have suggestions for speakers, please let us know.

In March we are featuring Patricia Belyea from Okan Arts. Her topic is the Alluring World of Japanese Yukata Quilts. Join Patricia as she takes us on an insider tour of the 2020 Tokyo Quilt Festival. Patricia presents the highlights of this international quilt event, then continues onto a traditional *chusen*-dyeing workshop to explain this traditional hand-dyeing process. Remember, everyone



has a front row seat during our Zoom meeting!

We have an interesting slate of speakers for you in the coming months. Penni Domikis, Cabin in the Woods will be our April speaker. Her lecture topic is All Scrapped Out! www.cabinguilters.com.

In May, we welcome Michelle Banton who will share her lecture on Cotton to Consumer with us. http://littlepupdesigns.com/

As we look for speakers for the balance of this year and next year, you have an opportunity to let us know what/who you would like to see at our guild meetings. What techniques intrigue you? Is there a quilting genre you want to know more about?

Remember . . . Guests are welcome to join our virtual meetings from here, there, or anywhere! We now have a link on our website for them to request the link and pay their guest fee just as they would for an "inperson" meeting. We hope you'll invite your quilting friends to join us for the meeting.



Program Chairs - Aileen Cooke and Pam Overton

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Vice President

The SCCQG Quarterly meeting is scheduled for April. See their website for details. www.SCCQG.org

Vice President - Olivia Carnahan

Website

Please email photos of your finished quilts and works-in-progress to Emily (<u>wattsejw@gmail.com</u>) to post them on our website and social media accounts, Facebook and Instagram, for "at-home show & tell."

I continue to update the website for your viewing pleasure. Let me know if there is anything specific, you would like to see on it.

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Birthdays - March

Perla Rothenberg 3/4 Barbara Spielberg 3/24 Sally Madigan 3/9

SMQG General Meeting Minutes - February 3, 2021

SMQG Quilt guild members gathered once again on Zoom for its February 2021 general meeting. The business meeting was called to order by President Kennalee Mattson at 7:00 pm.

Kennalee welcomed members with a special welcome to 5 guests and 3 new members who joined the guild for the evening meeting,

Business Meeting:

Bobbie Blake moved to approve the January 2021 general meeting minutes with a second to the motion by

Carol Thomas. Luann Jaffe moved to approve the January 2021 Treasurer's report with a second by Jennie Kraft. Both motions were approved unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Maureen Gardener and Sally Madigan reported that the guild has 59 members as of that date, with 3 new members in attendance at the meeting.

Vice President: No Report.

Newsletter: Laurie thanked Betsy Barker for her article in the February newsletter and also thanked Pam Overton for her generous technical assistance. She encouraged articles from members who have taken quilting classes via zoom to share their experiences especially if they took classes online from Road to California teachers in January.

Philanthropy. Luann continues to accept philanthropy quilts at her home.

Ways and Means and Hospitality: No report.

Website: No report.

Program and Workshops: Pam has booked guild speakers through April 2021 and they are in the newsletter.

She also let members know that the South Bay Quilt Guild will hold its first virtual quilt show Feb. 10-14, Details are available on the South Bay Quilt Guild Website.

She then introduced the evening's speaker, Sujata Shah, a quilter originally from India who now lives with her family in the San Francisco area. Sujata led us on an almost magical look at her quilting journey from the colors and culture of India to her inspiration she found from the quilts of Gee's Bend. She was most generous with her time and graciously answered many questions from the members.

Webmistress – Emily Watts

Door Prize Drawing: Following Sujata Shah's presentation a raffle was then held by Pam Overton. Winners won fat quarter bundles or jelly rolls of fabric and Sujata generously offered a door prize that she will mail to the first winner. Winners were: Mary Lloyd, Kennalee Mattson, Diane Fulkerson, Nancy Kawahara, Sally Madigan, Marilyn Vredevoe, Sasha Wadman, Olivia Carnahan, and Judith Hartman. Winners can pick up their prizes at the Quilt House. Kennalee will contact winners with pick-up details.

Show and Tell: Pam organized a slide show of quilts submitted by members. Members who submitted quilts were Betsy Barker, Bobbie Blake, Olivia Carnahan, Aileen Cooke, Sheila Cummins, Veronica Gray, Donna Heiderman, Luann Jaffe, Nancy Kawahara, Mary Lloyd, Allison Leong, Virginia Marshall, Kennalee Mattson, and Pam Overton.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Veronica Gray

Show and Tell

If you have quilt photos for show and tell, please send them to Pam Overton no later than Monday, March 1.

Ways and Means

Save up all your donations – we'll have the best Ways and Means sale ever when we gather in person!

Perla Rothenberg, Ron and Keiko Tapp

Philanthropy

Good News! The Ronald McDonald House is accepting pantry items and QUILTS. We will be making a donation in early March. If you have finished quilts (any size) and want to make a donation, please contact me, Luann, at 310-397-6730 so we can arrange to pick up or deliver. Also, if you have any pillowcases, we're looking to donate them as well.

This was a fun week for me as my 12 year old granddaughter wanted to make a pillowcase. After her day doing school work, we each made a pillowcase

using FaceTime. Amazing what we can do together from one house to another- not quite as good as being together, but it works!

Luann Jaffe and Bobbie Blake, Philanthropy Co-Chairs

Report from the Field

The Keeping Quilt by Patricia Polacco

When you give a quilt to a loved one, do you hope that it will become a family heirloom that will be handed down through the generations? The Keeping Quilt is a story of just such a family treasure.

Like so many immigrants to America, Polacco's family came in search of a better life and to leave discrimination and violence behind. One of the few possessions her great-grandmother was able to carry from Russia was a babushka (a head covering). This babushka became the border of the quilt created in their new country. Scraps of clothing from relatives in the home country became the appliques in the center of the quilt. The quilt became a way to remember family who were thousands of miles away.

The story tells how the quilt becomes a tradition at new beginnings of engagements, weddings, and birth celebrations. While the story traces Jewish traditions, the love of family can be appreciated by all religious traditions.

Have you thought about how to teach your love of quilting to your children? This book will help them to understand what it means when you give them a quilt made just for them. Will your kind gesture of giving a fabric hug be appreciated by your descendants a hundred years from now?

Here's a link from the International Quilt Museum to <u>watch a reading of The Keeping Quilt</u>. You can order the book from your local independent bookstore or purchase it on Amazon.

Thank you

Betsy (Janet) Barker, Interactive Media Development, Quilt Artist

Selected Upcoming Southern California Events

South Bay Quilters Guild is hosting the following speakers in 2021.

April 20 – Latifah Safir	
May 18 – Lyric Kinard	

To join as a guest, contact membership@southbayquiltersquild.org and they will provide a link to the meeting.

To see speakers for other guilds, go to sccqg.org/home. This is a great time to visit another guild virtually!

SMQG Schedule of Events

While we're all staying at home for the time being, your Program chairs are busy working to fill out our calendar for this year and next with interesting speakers.

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	website
March	Pat Belyea	The Alluring World of Japanese Yukata Quilts	www.okanarts.com
April	Penni Domikis	All Scrapped Out	www.cabinquilters.com
May	Michelle Banton	Cotton to Consumer	http://littlepupdesigns.com/

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