



# Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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## Join us on Wednesday, January 8, 2025

### President's Corner

Happy New Year! 2025 has arrived! Hope you all had great holidays with family and friends. Ready to tackle some new projects in the new year? Or maybe work on some of those UFOs from past years? That's what I'm going to focus on. At least that's the plan on January 1 as I write this! 😊 Hmmm . . . as I think about it, perhaps a UFO Challenge is something we should plan for this year. In anticipation of that, take some time to sit down and make a list of your unfinished projects and what you need to do to finish them. I recently found a machine embroidery project that had been completely stitched out and was put together. All I had to do was add batting and a back, do some simple quilting, and bind it. You'll see it at the South Bay Quilters Guild Quilt Show Auction, on Saturday, February 22.

Speaking of the quilt show. It takes many hands and hours of work to pull off a quilt show. At this point in time, there are a number of staffing positions that are still open. The SBQG Quilt Show Chair, Sue Glass, has offered an opportunity to SMQG members. Are you willing to work 2-4 hours at the show that weekend? If so, she will provide free admission. What better way to see the show than wearing a pair of white gloves and serving as a white glove hostess! Or we can use help in other areas. I've included a link [here](#) to our "Sign-Up Genius" that we use for staffing. Just add a note that you are a SMQG member and we will ensure that there is an admission pass for you when you check in to work. Questions? Give me a call or email.

Note the change in date for our January meeting. We've pushed it a week due to the holiday!

Are you going to Road to California? Need a ride? Or are you driving and have room in your car? At the meeting next week let's see if we can put together some carpools?

And just a reminder, we've scheduled zoom meetings for January, February, and March. No traffic to battle and you get to stay home where it's warm and cozy! No in-person meetings until April.

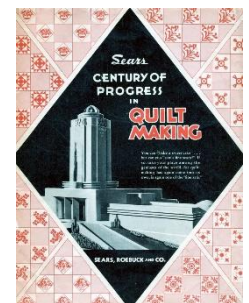
Sadly, a number of our long-time members have not yet renewed their membership in the guild. They'll get a special reminder e-mail, but if someone you know comments that they haven't received the January newsletter, please remind them to renew. Remember, you can renew on our website. b

President – Pam Overton, [pam@travelingquilters.com](mailto:pam@travelingquilters.com)

### Program

Our January speaker is Nova Montgomery whose presentation is titled "A Century of Progress: the 1933 World's Fair." Nova will take us back in time to the Chicago World's Fair of 1933 and its enormous quilt contest. Almost 25,000 people entered quilts in this contest! Find out why! And learn about some of the quilts made for the Fair and the people who made them.

Nova is a quilter and quilt historian. She has a special interest in Featherweights and has been referred to as "the Featherweight guru"! Learn more about Nova at her website: [novamontgomery.com](http://novamontgomery.com)



Laurie Reyen, Programs

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## Vice President

The Vice President team is putting together some great ideas for the new year. We hope to have more information for you at the meeting. *The Vice President Team – Olivia, Donna, Jo and Laurie*

## Membership

I had a very tame New Year's Eve and was busy cooking for my version of "Oshogatsu", the Japanese New Year feast. Traditional veterans would not recognize my table as it was fairly plain and had only a few of my favorites. Some cooks start a week in advance with shopping in specialty stores. Traditionally, one needs to do a deep cleaning of the house, as January 1 marks the start of the year. My father would wake me up on 1/1 and say if I slept late today I would sleep late everyday of the new year. The house cleaning I ignore.

During the Heian period, 798-1185, it was taboo to use the hearth to cook so food was prepared before the new year. Many of the dishes prepared have a pun and meaning for long life and joy and good luck. Let's hear from Yoshi and Gwen and Hatsumi about their traditions. What New Year's traditions do you have in your culture?

I'll see you at the online meeting and thanks for your renewal. Think about a friend you can get to join SMQG. We have so much fun and learn from the guild that we should share. Happy Quilting in 2025

*Aileen Cooke, Membership Chair*

## Scrap Bag

### For Sale: Horn Sewing Cabinet and 5 drawer caddy \$350

60" wide x 19 ½" deep, 39" deep when open back dropdown flap, 55" deep w/extension that goes on top drawer.

Machine opening is 24" wide x 12 ½".

Includes a 5-drawer caddy that fits perfectly! It is white melamine w/wood trim and is in great shape.

I am replacing it only because my new machine is too large for it.

Please email me if interested.

[sandralauterbachstudio@gmail.com](mailto:sandralauterbachstudio@gmail.com)

## SMQG – Remembering the last 35 years!

We'll pick up with this column again next month. In the meantime, send your stories and photos to [pam@travelingquilters.com](mailto:pam@travelingquilters.com).

## Hospitality

Since we are meeting via Zoom this month, we leave you to provide your own snack to enjoy at home during the program. Please keep an eye out for the hospitality entry in the April newsletter, when we will resume meeting in person. . .

*Prima Casetta, Hospitality*

## Ways and Means

Please save your donations until April 2025 when we meet again in person at the church. January, February and March will be zoom meetings.

We want to wish everyone a happy holiday season with lots of family and friends to celebrate!

*Perla Rothenberg and Cindi Garacochea,  
Ways & Means Co-Chairs*

## Website

I continue to update the website and our social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram for your viewing pleasure. Let me know if there is anything specific you would like to see.

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*Emily Watts, Web Manager*

## Show and Tell

January will be a zoom meeting. Hopefully you have pictures of some of your recent projects! Please send them to [pam@travelingquilters.com](mailto:pam@travelingquilters.com) by Monday, January 6. That will give us time to assemble the slide show!

## Zoom meeting links

The meeting link will be included in the newsletter email. We have asked the speaker to join us before 6:30 so we can check all the technical issues. Please feel

free to join us after 6:30 so you can visit and catch up!

### **SMQG General Meeting Minutes**

December 4, 2024 - Meeting called to order by President Pam Overton at 6:55

Dinner had been shared by 19 members present. 2 boxes of fabric donated by Judy Hartman's husband, Roger, were measured and rolled. Free items were brought and shared by attendees.

Laurie Reyen moved to approve the minutes of the November meeting and the treasurer's report as seen in the newsletter. Sylvia Henry seconded the motion which was approved by all.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Aileen Cooke – nothing new to report

Philanthropy: Mariana Davanzo – nothing new to report beyond the newsletter. Keep the philanthropy quilts coming.

Ways and Means: Perla Rothenberg and Cindi Garacochea – no Ways and Means until April when we are back for in person meetings.

Vice President committee: Laurie Reyen reports they are cooking up an activity for the new year.

Programs: Laurie Reyen – the January, February and March meetings will be held on Zoom.

The programs will start at 7:00. Back to in person meeting in April which will start at 6:00. April will be Quilter's College. Maureen Gardner will teach English Paper Piecing, Cindi Garacochea will teach Postcards, Prima will teach Binding from The Back, and Allison Leong will teach Schnibbles/scrappy blocks.

Show and Tell: Mariana Shared a Christmas quilt, Cindi shared a tree skirt in progress with unconventional holiday colors.

After the meeting we played Right/Left, Left Right Center, and Quilt-O. Everyone won so we chose a prize from the prize table.

Fun and Fellowship were had by all. We missed our members who weren't able to be with us tonight and we missed the folks who have passed on this year.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:47

Respectfully submitted, Allison Leong,

### **Philanthropy**

And, so, a new year begins. We hope you will continue to make quilts to support our various charities.

*Mariana Davanzo, Philanthropy Chair*

### **Birthdays – January**

Carol	Thomas	4-Jan
Marilyn	Vredevoe	13-Jan
Aileen	Cooke	21-Jan
LuAnn	Jaffe	31-Jan

### **SMQG Schedule of Events**

Your Program chair is busy working to fill out our calendar for the coming year with interesting speakers. As always, your input/feedback/suggestions are welcome. Please contact Laurie Reyen to let her know your thoughts.

Note that Laurie has planned zoom meetings for January through March. No more being rained out! We hope!

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	website
January (zoom)	Nova Montgomery – A Century of Progress: the 1933 World's Fair – novamontgomery.com		
February (zoom)	Sarah Goer – Developng a Creative 100-day Project – sarahgoerquilts.com		
March (zoom)	Kristie Naranjo – Scrappy Applique – kristieenaranjo.com		
April	Quilters College with demos by some of our very own talented teachers		

### **Selected Upcoming Southern California Events**

February 7-8	<b>Valley Quilters Guild 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show</b> , Valley Wide Recreation Center, 901 W. Esplanade San Jacinto, CA. 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. For more info go to valleyquilters.org.
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## Selected Upcoming Southern California Events

February 22-23	<b>South Bay Quilters Guild 2025 Quilt Show</b> , 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr. N., Torrance, CA 90503. In-person and Zoom auction (must register before zoom). Saturday February 22, 3:30 pm. For more information go to <a href="http://www.southbayquiltersguild.org">www.southbayquiltersguild.org</a> .
March 1-2	<b>Hi Desert Quilt Guild Desert Views – Sunset Hues Quilt Show</b> . Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; Sunday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Desert Empire Fairgrounds, 520 South Richmond, Ridgecrest, CA. Over 150 quilts, vendors, raffles, fabric bargain boutique, small quilt auction, opportunity quilt raffle. The show you don't want to miss!

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