

Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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Join us for a Zoom Meeting on Wednesday, July 5

President's Corner

Sorry I will miss another guild meeting and this one is an in-person potluck! I'm going to miss those wrapped grape leaves and other delicious dishes our guild serves. I know you will have a good time since we have so few in-person meetings. I have taken part of a large donation from a former guild member to the meeting place. Bring several tote bags to fill. There will also be orphan blocks to adopt, from VP Allison and the guild's collection.

Please say yes to the nominations committee when they call. Everyone can help.

I'm going on a Foodie tour in northern Japan. We were told to diet before so we can eat hearty while traveling. Ha! See you next month, in August, and hope I don't overfill the zoom screen.

President – Aileen Kuda-Cooke kudacooke@gmail.com, text me anytime at 310/739-6222

Program

It's time for our July summer potluck! We will be gathering in person at First United Methodist at 6 PM to share a meal and some quilts. Bring your favorite summer potluck dish to share.

Bring your own beverage. The theme of our very special Show and Tell is: "How it Started – How It's Going". Please bring 2 quilts to share; one that represents how you started as a quilter and one that represents your more recent work. This will be a great opportunity to get to know each other a little better as quilters!

Please note: There will not be a ZOOM this month - this gathering is in-person only.

Program Chair – Laurie Reyen

Nomination Committee

It's that time of year again....nomination of guild board officers for the 2023-2024 year. For those members who are new, the guild year runs from October 1 to September 30 each year. Guild by-laws instruct that the nomination process starts in May with a slate of officers for the new year to be presented at the August guild meeting and with a vote by the general membership at the September meeting.

After canvassing the current board members as to their ability and willingness to continue their service on the guild board, there are board slots are open for nominations. Most current board members are willing to continue service on the board, some willing to serve in positions other than their current assignment.

The nominations committee is looking to fill 3 board slots from the general membership...that of <u>board</u> <u>president, vice president and co-secretaries</u>. Current chairs of programs, philanthropy, membership (current membership chair is stepping down, but another board member is willing to take on membership), and ways and means <u>welcome co-chairs</u>. This is a great opportunity for guild members who have yet to serve on the board to do so without assuming full responsibility of the position. For many current board members, this is how our board service began.

All monthly board meetings (3rd Wednesday of the month) have been virtual (on zoom) since Covid began and will continue to in this format. General meetings have been on zoom for the most part the last two years. The board is looking to transition back to in-person only monthly guild meetings, particularly if current health department Covid guidelines remain in place.

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Nomination Committee (Cont'd)

Why serve on the SMQG Board? It is the most effective way to bring your ideas to the guild, whether it be speaker recommendations, guild activity recommendations and policy decisions. You are also part of the decision making of the guild. It is also a great way to get to know more members of the guild.

In the near future, you will be receiving a communication from a member of the nomination committee—Veronica Gray, Laurie Risk, or Carol Thomas. We ask that you give service on your guild board thoughtful consideration. The board welcomes new board members....it is healthy and necessary for the future of the guild. Even the offices of president and vice president can be guild members who have not yet served on the board...you will receive lots of support.

Your nomination committee looks forward to your enthusiastic support!

Respectfully, Veronica, Laurie and Carol

Vice President

This month's quilt related excursion was to the Gee's Bend Shared Legacy exhibit at the Huntington Library and Gardens in San Marino. I was expecting a quilt exhibit but there was only one actual quilt. The exhibit is of many professional prints that have been made of smaller Gee's Bend quilts. These prints show the work of many quilters of Gee's Bend. It is a way for them to share their work more easily than transporting the quilts. The printers who collaborated with the quilters is a company owned by women in the Berkeley area. I was a little disappointed because I had expected to see quilts (the fabric kind) but I did appreciate the prints and explanation behind them.

In the same building as the Gee's Bend exhibit are rooms of objects/art from United States history. Toys, furniture, decorative arts, paintings and even some quilts and other textiles. I enjoyed wandering around being surprised by discoveries in each room. Of course the gardens are amazing. We focused on the Chinese and Japanese gardens then were able to see the rose gardens too. By the end of May the roses have already hit their peak but the variety, color, and fragrance are still wonderful. We wandered around the Desert Garden recognizing many cactus and succulents that we have and some interesting ones that we would like to have in our collection. The Huntington is worth the price of admission, seniors do have a discount and there is one free day a month but reservations go quickly.

Reminder about the not secret president's gift for Aileen. Red and white half square triangles that FINISH at 1 inch, 2 inches and 3 inches. She requests, please sign one of your contributed squares. I will bring papers for paper piecing these to the July potluck meeting. Free piecing the HST's is very acceptable too. I will bring the finished squares that have already been contributed so folks can sign them. Please participate so Aileen has lots to work with. Thanks.

I don't have any Xmas in July plans though the thought has crossed my mind regarding prep for possible holiday gifts. Though it seems too soon, the season will come roaring up on us.

More adventures to come, happy quilting.

Show and Tell

We have a special Show and Tell planned for our July In-Person Meeting.

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. <u>www.santamonicaquiltguild.org</u>

Webmistress - Emily Watts

Vice President - Allison Leong

Zoom meeting link

Sorry, no Zoom this month. July will be an inperson only meeting. We'll be back to Zoom in August.

Philanthropy

Hooray, July's meeting will be in-person! It's a chance to catch up with one another, eat some good food and see some "live" quilts made by our members. Also, it's a great opportunity for anyone who has quilts to donate for philanthropy to bring them in. I'll be there to collect them for delivery to our chosen charities. Hope to see you and your quilts at the meeting.

Philanthropy – Mariana Davanzo

Birthdays – July

Maureen Gardner	2-Jul
Veronica Gray	9-Jul
Mary Lloyd	11-Jul
Patti Post	11-Jul
Judith Hartman	21-Jul
Barbara Marom-Pollack	26-Jul
Julie Marquez	28-Jul

SMQG General Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2023

SMQG Quilt guild members met on zoom for its June 2023 general meeting, which was called to order by President Aileen Cooke at 6:59 pm. She welcomed guests Hope Diaz, Valerie Mendenhall and Erika Franek.

<u>Business Meeting</u>: Aileen called for approval of the May minutes and treasurer's report as printed in the June newsletter. There were no corrections to either the minutes or treasurer's reports. Each was approved by acclamation.

At this point in the meeting, Laurie Reyen introduced the evening's speaker, Trudy Cleveland whose presentation "Shoot Your Quilt" was enthusiastically received. Trudy is conducting a zoom workshop on this topic on June 24. Interested members can register for the workshop on her website.

<u>Nominations Committee</u>: Aileen informed the members that guild by-laws require the guild to begin its nomination process for the upcoming guild year of October 2023-2024. The committee is composed of 3 members, one of whom is from the board. Veronica Gray is the board member assigned to the committee. After some discussion two additional guild members volunteered to the committee, Laurie Risk and Carol Thomas. A slate of board nominees is to be presented to the guild at the August general meeting.

Committee Reports:

<u>Vice President</u>: Allison will bring quilt blocks made by guild members before Covid for VP projects for members to take and make philanthropy projects or projects for themselves to the July potluck. <u>Philanthropy:</u> Marianna received a request from First United Methodist to hold on the prayer quilt tops from the guild as they have enough for current requests. We continue to accept baby quilts for the Venice Family Clinic and quilts for homeless shelters.

<u>Program:</u> Laurie plans to send out a questionnaire to members asking if there is interest in either zoom or in person workshops since the guild has not held a workshop during since the Covid lockdown. There was some discussion as well as interest in a workshop with the evening speaker, Trudy Cleveland. Laurie invited members to contact her if they are willing to show and tell an early quilt and a current quilt for the July in parson potluck. The July potluck will be an in-person meeting only. In addition, most of the 2023 speaker slots have been filled.

Website: No report.

<u>Membership</u>: Membership is stable. No new memberships in the past month.

<u>Ways and Means</u>: Aileen welcomed Perla Rothenberg back after a long hospital stay. Since our meetings have been on zoom, there is no report from Ways and Means.

Show and Tell: Members who shared their quilts were: Bobbie Blake, Olivia Carnahan, Allison Leong, Megan McGrath, Pam Overton and Laurie Reyan.

<u>Door Prizes</u>: Members winning door prizes were: Mary Lloyd, Katherine Baxter, Laurie Reyen, Maureen Gardner, Carol Thomas, Prima Casetta, Marianna Davanzo, Perla Rothenberg, Megan McGrath, Bobbie Blake, Luann Jaffe.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Gray

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 with your thoughts.

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	website	
July	Guild Potluck	Special Show and Tell: How It Started; How It's Going		
August	Lori DeJarnett	Reruns – Quilts Inspired by the Past		
September	Jenny Lyon	The Beauty of the Imperfect	Quiltskipper.com	
October	TBD			
November	Linda Schmidt	Short Attention Span Quilting	ShortAttentionSpanQuilting.com	
December	Scarlett Rose	Celtic Quilts From Around the World	Scarlettrose.com	
January 2024	TBD			
February 2024	TBD			
March 2024	Kena Tangi Dorsey	The Big, Bold and Beautiful: Using African Prints in Quilts	Kenaquiltstudio.com	

	Selected Upcoming Southern California Events
July 6-8	Long Beach Quilt Festival. For information and a list of classes, go to www.quilts.com.
September 16	Flying Geese Quilt Guild Quilt show, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Norman P. Murray Center, 24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo, CA. for information contact: Sue Glass, Quilt Show Chair, (310) 372-3945. <u>www.quiltsforallseasons.com</u> ; <u>www.flying-geese.org</u>
October 7	Central Coast Quilters Quilt Sale, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Arroyo Grande Community Center, 211 Vernon St,, Arroyo Grande, CA. mall quilt auction starts at 11:00 am.
October 7	Valley of the Mist Quilt Guild, Old town Temecula Outdoor Quilt Show. 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. For information: info@valleyofthemistquilters.com.
November 3-4	Fallbrook Quilt Guild Quilt Show, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Son Rise Christian Fellowship, 465 S. Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, CA. Auction daily at 12:30 pm, Country Store, food and beverages, opportunity quilt, demonstration. Handicap accessible. Admission: Adults - \$10; Children 3-2, \$3. No strollers, please.

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Summer Potluck And "How it Started - How It's Going" Show and Tell

July 5, 2023 6PM (note the time!) First United Methodist Church 1008 11th St Santa Monica

Bring your favorite summer potluck dish to share. Bring your own beverage.

Bring 2 quilts for Show and Tell: One the represents how you started as a quilter. One that represents your recent work.

No ZOOM this month - in person only