



FIESTA NEWS!

Business Meeting Wednesday, May 7, 2014 9:30 AM
General Meetings Tuesday, May 13, 2014 7:00 PM
Wednesday, May 14, 2014 9:30 AM

Jane Sassaman



After a varied career in the design world, Jane began to quilt in 1980. She found that these “soft paintings” satisfied the draftsman, the craftsman and the artist in her. Consequently, she is now a dedicated (some say “obsessed”) quilt artist and fabric designer.

Her art quilts have been shown in many national and international

exhibits, including Quilt National 1989 through 2005 and Contemporary American Quilts, the first major exhibit of American art quilts in England. Her quilt “Willow” was named as One of the One Hundred Best American Quilts of the Century. Jane is also the author of “The Quilted Garden”. The book includes twenty years of her work and exercises for making nature-inspired quilts.

Jane’s love for historic decorative arts can be seen in all facets of her work, but it is especially evident in the exuberant fabric she is currently designing for FreeSpirit. Her designs are oversized and colorful and have been coined as “William Morris on anti-depressants”. They are created for quilts, wearables and home decorating. Her latest book, Patchwork Sassaman Style, beautifully illustrates her fabric “in action”.

Respond to me, sekmet73@cox.net, with a comment, question or thought, with regards to anything in the newsletter and be eligible for one of the great prizes Mary Meserve has at the meetings! You won't get rich, but there are some pretty cool things!

Five (5) winners, random selection...

President's Message

Hello fellow quilters!

Is it still unseasonably hot? (Remember, I'm writing this about a month ahead of publication!) I want to shout, "Hey, weather god! Don't you realize it's not supposed to be this hot yet?"

Speaking of Hot, I'm into a new project with some really "Hot" colors! When I checked my stash of batiks I found a lot of autumn and earth tones, and much as I love them, not one would work for my project.

Poor me! I had to go shopping! Don't you hate it when that happens?

I hope you all enjoy getting out of your comfort zone once in a while. If not, try it! It's fun! Experiment with color, style, technique! If nothing else you'll find out that you *really* don't like it and can put it to rest for good.

By now, many of you will be getting ready to leave our Dry Heat! Have a wonderful Summer! If you haven't had time to make the wonderful star block that Evelyn George designed for our "Quilt-a-Thon" project this year, try a few and mail them in. They weigh hardly anything; just remember to label them "linens", not quilt blocks.

Read on for the featured member. This month it's Evelyn George. I spent a wonderful afternoon, chatting with Evelyn and learning a lot about her really interesting life.

I'll leave you with a bit of humor... at least I thought it was funny!

I had jury duty last month and in anticipation of a long day, brought my book and some needlework. I put my things through the x-ray and knew I was in trouble when the guy kept counting. Of course, they pulled me aside and the young lady said to me "Do you know you have 3 pairs of scissors in there!" I wanted to say something clever, but being where I was, decided discretion was called for and simply said, "It's a sewing kit", and surrendered it.

It was pretty funny at the time, but that's not the punch line!

When I opened the kit later, there were FOUR pairs of scissors in it!

Have a lovely May!

Reilly

ATTENTION TQG!

The President's Challenge for 2014 is *IDIOMATIC EXPRESSIONS REVISITED!*

The response last year was so enthusiastic, I've decided to repeat it.

Pick an expression and show it graphically in fabric.

Same size...96" perimeter. Due at November meetings for voting on at the December Holiday Party.

More to come during the Summer. Email me if you have any questions!

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QUILTING FOR OTHERS

Come and see us throughout the year; we have KITS for Quilts, Pillow Cases, Heart Pillows, and Stockings. We need the stockings back by Nov. They are for the Candle Lighters. We also have tops that need to be quilted. There still is a demand for Patriotic Quilts; a good size is 45" x 50" or 60" long.

Mary Bazzano Quilting for Others Chair

May's Featured Quilter... Evelyn George

Evelyn George is a wonderful choice for the *Mother's Day* month's featured Guild member. She's Mom to 5 and stepmom to 4, and credits her own mother as her inspiration for her many accomplishments.

Raised on a farm in the San Joaquin Valley in California, Evelyn and her brother grew up working hard and at times, making do. She credits her mother with being able to do anything:

cooking and baking; hunting with her dad; designing and making clothing; and flying an airplane! Evelyn always strove to be as "accomplished" as her mother. Eventually, she realized she'd made it...

Evelyn's education was wonderfully eclectic! Starting out in a fine arts college, finances dictated that she transfer to a state school. While there she took the classes that interested her. One of her favorites was an Architecture class, but Ceramics, Photography, Music and various Art classes rounded out her academic experience. She never stopped going to school either, taking classes when she could at local venues where she lived.

Designing things has always been important in Evelyn's life. All her life she wanted to know how things were put together. Her first custom sewing job was making a pair of bell-bottomed trousers out of a rust colored, wide-wale corduroy, for a "hippy" in Taos, NM, back in the day!

Fast forward to today! One of the most visible "Hats" that Evelyn wears in our Guild is the Designer of the Pattern of the Month! Scrappy, practical, versatile, these patterns inspire us and help us make some inroads into our stashes. But there's more!

Evelyn was the first TQG member inducted into the Arizona Quilters Hall of Fame, back in 2008.

And, of course, there's the Quilt for a Cause organization that she's been involved with since its inception. QFAC is an incorporated non-profit that raises funds to fight breast and gynecological cancer locally. This is an incredibly successful group that TQG is affiliated with and will have its story in the Newsletter later in the year.

Evelyn joined TQG in 2000 and "jumped right in!" She joined Bees, and worked in various capacities with the Show Committee. But what she really wanted to do was design! She let it be known and when the opportunity came up, she volunteered as co-chair for Block of the Month, where for the past 12 years she's been able to do what she loves best.

Evelyn's "style" of quilting is scrappy and she aims to make patterns that are 'doable' for beginning and intermediate quilters. She, like many of us, comes from a 'sewing' background, though her great-grandmother made quilts and she slept under one as a child.

Her first quilt was made when her first child was four years old, to ease the transition to the big girl bed, making room for the new baby. It was made of a combination of anything available, including scraps of corduroy, with a sheet for the backing! Remember those days? The quilt is no longer around; loved hard and long, it finally fell apart. But, all of her 7 grandchildren have a quilt that they helped make, and her daughter has some blocks from her great grandmother that Evelyn hopes to help her put together one day soon, making a quilt that spans 5 generations.

What inspires Evelyn? Fabric, nature, ideas, photos, phrases, friends...

TQG is so lucky to have this talented and generous woman, who shares her ideas and love of humanity with us!

Happy Mother's Day Everyone!



2015 Quilt Fiesta!

Kids Row

Are you teaching your child to quilt? Are they taking a class at a shop? We encourage you to start thinking of having your child or grandchildren enter his/her quilt in the Quilt Fiesta 2015. We would like to see more children's quilts entered. What a thrill for them to see their own creations displayed at the quilt show—they will be so proud when they receive their ribbon! Kids should be age 17 or younger. All work on the quilts should be done by the child (adults may help with the quilting and binding). I will have entry forms at the guild meetings, at all the local quilt shops this fall and there will be a copy on our guild website for you to print out.

Deadline for Kids Row **entry form** for the show is Nov. 12, 2014. Quilts will be turned in by January, 2015.

For information contact:
Pat Morris 749-4806 or Jean Owara 298-6325

Small Quilt Auction News

It's time to think about the Small Quilt Auction for 2015. Can we increase our participation rates? We want submissions from all quilters, from beginners to the master quilters in our guild. Last year, several bees made contributions to the SQA a part of their activities— challenges, round robins, etc. Can we do it again? By the way, we already have our first donation!! Thanks, Connie.

Mobile Meals of Tucson has been selected as the recipient of the proceeds for our 2015 auction. This organization is a volunteer based, non-profit organization delivering special diet meals to the home-bound. For further information, see <http://www.mobilemealsoftucson.org/>

Quilts may be turned at any 2014 guild meetings with the deadline being the November 12, 2014 general meeting, or postmarked by November 12 if you are unable to attend. Quilt size should be no bigger than 80 inches around the perimeter and each quilt needs to have a hanging sleeve across the top of the quilt. Entry forms are available on the website as well as from the committee at the meetings. All quilts need to have the entry form completed and attached with a straight pin when turned in. Barbara Heiman, Small Quilt Auction Chairperson.

Vintage Quilt Turning

It's that time of year...to search for treasured quilts. The time for slumber is over. Do you own a piece of quilt history? Help get ready for **Quilt Fiesta's 2015 Vintage Quilt Turning**. Remember, quilts need not be "family", they are welcome from antique shops, flea markets, or the neighbor's shed.

A quilt turning is described in the 2008 July-August issue of *Quilters Newsletter*. It is "...a traditional method of presenting quilts to an audience. A number of quilts are layered on a bed, often in the order of the date made. The quilts are "turned" and held up one at a time for the viewers to see while a lecturer talks about each one."

Applications to submit a quilt for the vintage quilt turning will be available on the web later this month. The submission deadline this year is either of the October *Guild* meetings or mailed to Sue Franklin, chair, postmarked by October 11th. Contact Sue at 520.490.4721 or email her at (suevette63@comcast.net) with questions. Thank you!

2015 Quilt Fiesta!

PRIZES!!! PRIZES!!! PRIZES!!!

I am hoping to have the Raffle Ticket packets ready for member pick-up at the May 2014 meetings.

Please take the time now to think when and where you can sell your tickets. Are you on a bowling league, do you sing in the church choir, do you belong to a book club or needlework group, do you work in an office, do you exercise or walk with friends? These are just a few examples of places you might show the picture of the quilt and sell a few tickets.

This year we will be giving prizes for the most tickets sold by a member in a month, as well as the end of the year prizes for total sales.

Remember, the money from these ticket sales goes to provide you with all that you love about this Guild...Thank You.

Patty Kruse, RAFFLE TICKET CHAIR.



Arizona Quilt Documentation Project – Tucson

A successful public documentation was held at the **Arizona History Museum on April 5**. The Tucson team documented 25 very different quilts, including a mid-19th century “Princess Feather,” a unique (many symbols) summer spread on loan from a museum, art quilts, including one with a “Cochise” theme, a Hawaiian bed quilt, a lace edged silk Crazy from the late 1800s, and a darling appliqué quilt with a *Quilt Fiesta* theme. Of course there were others to complete the eye candy collection of the day.

If you love quilts and have a passion for history, consider joining the Tucson team. We welcome new members. If interested, please call or email Tucson liaisons Sue Franklin, (520.490.4721; suevet-te63@comcast.net) or Terry Gryzb-Wysocki, (520.749.9326; terry-gw@mindspring.com). Training sessions are held on the second Tuesday of each month, from 9:30 until 12:30 at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center on Ruthruff Road. Each session includes both continuing education and quilt documentation.

Tucson Quilters Guild

PROGRAM NOTES

Program Co-Chairs are Connie German and Janet Rupp. We encourage you to go to the website under Future Speakers to see all the exciting speakers coming to our Guild for the remainder of 2014 and for 2015. There is information on the dates that each speaker will be lecturing and teaching at the Guild along with the workshops offered. Each speaker's website is listed. You can just click on the website address and it will take you directly to their website where you can look at the workshops in detail. Most websites will also have the Supply Lists needed for the class. The 1 day classes are \$50 and the 2 day classes are \$100. The classes are from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM each day and they are held at the St. Francis Cabrini Church, 3201 E. Presidio, Tucson, AZ 85716 in the large multi-purpose room (the same location as the lectures). These workshops are a great opportunity for you to learn new quilting skills at a very reasonable price from professional quilters from all over the United States!

Upcoming Programs:

May: [Jane Sassaman](#)

May 13th & 14th Lecture - "Jane's Textile Treasure Garden"-new lecture

May 15th & 16th Workshop - "Pattern Play 0 spaces available

June: [Susan Else](#)

June 10th & 11th Lecture - "Off the Wall: Quilting in 3 Dimensions"

June 12 Workshop - "3-D Adventures in the Garden" " 13 spaces available

June 13 Workshop - "Free Form Fabric Collage" " 15 spaces available

September: [Cathy Geier](#)

September 9th & 10th Lecture - "Trunk Show"

September 11 Workshop - "Landscape Quilts Made Easy"

September 12 Workshop - "Forest Scenes"

Signups open at the April 2014 Business Meeting

October: [Carol Ann Waugh](#)

October 7th & 8th Lecture - "How Did I Get Here From There?"

October 9 Workshop - "Stupendous Stitching"

October 10 Workshop - "Stitch and Slash"

Signups open at the May 2014 Business Meeting

November: [Rena Allen](#)

November 11th & 12th Lecture - "Skillbuilder Trunk Show"

November 13 Workshop - "Quilting Feathers Skillbuilder"

November 14 Workshop - "Quilting Design Skillbuilder"

Signups open at the June 2014 Business Meeting



Tucson Quilters Guild and Tucson's Quilt Fiesta! is now on Facebook! Since this is FREE publicity for our Guild and our show, ask your friends to 'like' the page. What can be better than free?

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tucson-Quilters-Guild-Tucson-Quilt->

Tucson Quilters Guild

The Guild Basics

Who:	All Members
What:	Business Meeting —First Wednesday of every month in the Church Classroom. General Meetings - Second Wednesday of the month in the morning or the Tuesday evening preceding the second Wednesday - in the Parish Hall.
When:	Business Meeting — 9:30 AM ~ 10:30 AM General Meetings: Tuesday Evening—7:00~9:30 PM Wednesday—9:30 AM~12:00 PM
Where:	St Frances Cabrini Church 3201 E. Presidio Near Fort Lowell and Country Club
(How): Parking	Guild members are asked to refrain from parking in the spaces in front of the Parish office; the Church wants these spaces to remain open for Church members who have business to attend to in the office. This is the small building to the east of our meeting room. PARKING NOTICE: Tuesday evening attendees: The Church's Family Classes are in session again, so PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE FRONT LOT. Use the side or back lot.
Why:	Come to get involved with all aspects of the Guild, to make new friends, learn new quilting skills, share, but most of all, to have FUN .
Cost:	Members (\$30/year, due in March) and Guests (\$5.00/meeting with guest speaker)

Quilt Fiesta! Quilt Show meetings are at 10 AM at the Tucson Police Substation at 22nd and Alvernon, NW corner. The upcoming date is April 25th. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Business meeting...

The board and committee heads decided to change the time of the business meeting to the last Saturday of the month, for a two month trial upon the request of some members. At the end of the trial, it will come up for discussion again and will be re-voted on. If you want these meetings to continue to be held on Saturday, make sure to attend these trial meetings; otherwise they will revert to the Wednesday morning times.

The dates of the next business meetings will be:

Wednesday, May 7, 2014, 9:30 AM (For May Guild Meeting)

Saturday, May 31, 2014, 9:30 AM (For June Guild Meeting)

Saturday, June 28, 2014, 9:30 AM (For July Guild Meeting)

Reilly

EMAIL LIST: The Guild now has an email list for easy communication with the members. Please log into the protected area of the website and put your name and email address into the box at the top of the page. After doing this, you will receive an email. You must click on the link after making the link into one long line. If this works, you will receive another email saying you were successful. If you have any problem with this, email me at quilter@tucsonquiltersguild.com. Meg Silvern

Answers to the members' questions

1. Q: Can we keep announcements short so the guest speaker has ample time for their presentation?

A: No matter how long the business side of the monthly meeting goes, the speaker will have their full time to give us their presentation.

2. Q: Are the quilts that are in special categories i.e. President's Challenge, Christmas Block Swap Challenge judged the same as the other quilts entered into the annual show?

A: No. They are voted on by everyone who is a member of the guild during the regularly scheduled meetings.

Roberta Sipes, Morning Member at Large



Noriko LaMar is the lucky winner of the Rescued Dresdens quilt raffle offered by the Piece Patchers Bee to benefit Quilt for a Cause. Congratulations, Noriko!

The Piece Patchers thank all the people who participated by buying tickets or donating funds for this project. The raffle raised \$500.00 which will be presented to *Quilt for a Cause*. This could not have happened without the generosity of so many in our Tucson Quilters Guild. Thanks, also, to Masayo Morgan, Piece Patcher Extraordinaire, who organized the raffle.

Thank you All!

Advertising

Members: \$5.00 for small want ads for Quilting/sewing related items

Quilt related businesses:

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\$50 1/4 page

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BEES, BEES, BEES—Updated!

CENTRAL AREA:

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Where: Quilters Market; When: Third Wednesdays, 10 AM to Noon

Himmel Park Contact: Ruth Campbell, 792-1639

Where: Himmel Park Library; When: Third Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

EAST SIDE:

Evening Eastside Bee Contact: Connie Weigel, 760-7728 or xuxala@msn.com

Where: Unity Church of Peace, 1551 S Eastside Loop

When: First Thursdays, 6:30 – 9 PM

Siesta Bee Contact: Nelle Starr, 886-4123

Where: Members' homes (Northeast), call for directions

When: Third Tuesdays, 1 PM

GREEN VALLEY:

Hexies Bee English Paper Piecing, Contact: Carole Sullivan, 520-762-8652

Where: Friends Indeed Community Center, Green Valley, AZ

When: First Wednesdays, Noon – 3PM

North of the Border Contact: Babs Phillips, 393-6557

Where: M & I Bank, 270 W Continental, Green Valley; When: Thursdays 9:30 – Noon

NORTHWEST:

Quilting for Others Contact: Mary Bazzano, 295-9576

Where: Cactus Quilt Shop; When: Third Wednesdays, 9:30 – Noon; Theme: Tucson Charities

Quilting after Dark Contact: Karen Fisher, 572-8825, karen@karenfisherartquilts.com

Call or email for details.

SOUTHWEST:

Southwest Side Bee This bee meets for a spring and fall semester each year and creates quilts for the community. All are welcome. The spring semester is over for this year. The fall semester will begin in September.

Contact: Marie Morris, 520-403-6208 or 520-623-0123 Where: Grace Pointe Church, 2555 W Valencia Rd., Tucson.

Tucson Quilters Guild is always looking to update information about the bees in which our members participate. Please contact the Guild Beekeeper, Ruth Martin at saguaroquilter@gmail.com to add, change or correct information about Bees. Open Bees are listed in the newsletter. The closed Bees list will be on the TQG website in the near future.



LIBRARY INFORMATION

Tuesday Evening Meetings: Open from 5:30 PM to 7 PM only.

Wednesday Morning Meetings: Open from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM and during the break.

To renew books: Call Donata Pfisterer the day before the meeting at 733-9557 or email her at:

donatap@photonengr.com

The submission deadline for articles for the June Newsletter is Wednesday, May 21, 2014. Articles should be sent to:

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Public Records - Tucson Quilters Guild

March 1, 2013 – February 28, 2014

March 2013

Permission given to Pat Amber on behalf of "Relay for Life" to sell raffle tickets on a quilt. Proceeds are for women's organizations helping cancer victims.

Permission given to Mary McLaughlin to sell raffle tickets on a quilt during our guild meetings in March, April and May. Proceeds will help purchase sewing machines for African Women in Zambia who have HIV.

NW Needlers Bee gave 2 baby quilts to the Teen Age Parent Program and 1 quilt to Quilting for Others.

Permission given to sell raffle tickets at the guilds meeting to Robeson Ranch Material Girls. Proceeds go to buy fabric and batting to make quilts for the YMCA Triangle Camp for kids on scholarships.

Quilt donated to St. Elizabeth Clinic for a silent auction to raise funds to help women with cancer.

Quilt donated to Cancer Wellness for a raffle for their Spring luncheon in May.

10 Quilts and 20 pillow cases donated to desert dialysis

13 Heart pillows and 10 quilts donated to the VA

26 Heart pillows donated to Tucson Medical Center

8 Quilts to AZ Oncology

15 Quilts to Pepi's house (Hospice)

12 Quilts donated to life care Nursing Home

50 yards of remnants of fabric to Aviva Children's Services

Aviva – 25 bears, 4 tote bags, 10 yds assorted fabrics.

Aviva – 50 yds assorted fabric plus one box full of assorted lace, netting and ribbon.

9 Quilts donated by Mona Lisa Bee to St. Luke's Home

10 Twin quilts donated by Mona Lisa Bee to St. Luke's Home

29 Walker bags donated by Mona Lisa Bee

2 Quilts donated to Teen age parent program by the Northwest Needlers Bee

April 2013

12 quilts to outreach

8 quilts desert dialysis

8 quilts peppy house

4 quilts Habitat for Humanity

11 heart pillows to TMC

May/June 2013 15 quilts to Aviva

8 quilts to AZ oncology

10 quilts to Desert Dialysis

6 quilts to Habitat for Humanity

10 heart pillows to TMC

27 Pillow cases to Desert Dialysis

5 Quilts to Alzheimer's Study by Northwest Needlers Bee of Tucson

1 Box of fabric samplers to Aviva

5 yds Fabric Remnants to Aviva

1 Pair of handmade mittens to Aviva

1 Handmade child size quilt to Aviva

4 Quilts donated by Mona Lisa Bee to St. Luke's home

August 2013

Gently used sewing machine donated to Southern Arizona Association for the visually impaired, (SAAVI).

43 Yards of remnants plus quilt squares and felt to Aviva Children's Services

Six Quilts made by the Northwest Needlers Bee of Tucson donated to Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study.

One farm quilt and teaching outline donated to the first grade classroom, Keeling Elementary School by the Northwest Needlers Bee.

September, 2013

Permission given to 4H group to sell raffle tickets for a quilt at the September guild meeting.

Permission given to Quilt for a Cause to sell raffle tickets for a quilt at the September guild meeting

Permission given to Colleen Babcock to sell raffle tickets for a quilt to benefit Sister Jose Women's Shelter.

15 Quilts to Peppi's House (Patriotic)

10 Quilts to Reachout

12 Quilts to Desert Dialysis

17 Quilts to VA

28 Pillow Cases to Desert Dialysis

101 Quilts to the Eric Hite Foundation

80 Quilts to Sister Jose Women's Center

25 Kitchen size trash bags of scraps for dog & cat beds to Grace Church for no-kill pet shelters.

19 pillowcases from the Honeybees of NW Tucson/Oro Valley/Saddle Brook to members of the military.

2 quilts to Groundcover Project.

Quilts valued around \$1,400 donated to Southern AZ VA Health care systems

October, 2013

23 quilts made by Material Girls Bee using TQG fabric, donated to school, also 13 quilts given to other groups.

12 Lap quilts for Alzheimer's patients including 2 for veterans to Alzheimer's Disease Study La Jolla CA by the Northwest Needlers Bee.

November 2013

32 Quilts and 32 Pillowcases donated to the First Grade Students of the Keeling Elementary School Tucson, AZ

December 2013

Raffle quilt ticket sales totaling \$890.00 donated to Tucson community food bank.

62 dressed bears and some quilts donated to the Erik Hite Foundation.

January 2014

GracePoint Monday Night Quilters donated 41 quilts to the Marshall Home for Men in November 2013.

February 2014

Permission given to SaddleBrook Friday night quilters, Faculty Women's Club of U of A and Piece Makers quilting bee to display and sell raffle tickets for their quilts. Funds to be donated to a charity.

October 2013 – February 2014

213 Stockings to Candlelighters along with 252 Pillow cases.

February 2014

\$3,300.00, proceeds from silent quilt auction, donated to World Care.

8 Quilts for Veterans and 13 Quilts for non – veterans donated to Tucson Medical Center Hospice.



Pattern of the Month - May 2014

By Evelyn George

"Gypsy Coins" - 40" x 50"

LAP SIZE -perfect for a charity quilt! Make one for giving, or if you just love scrappy, make it for yourself. Use assorted prints for the coin rows, which are quickly made from strip sets.

Directions are given for using either full width of fabric (WOF) strips, or half-strips cut from fat quarters (FQ's).

Fabrics

9 assorted 4" x WOF strips (OR 5 FQ's) (for coins)

(9 different fabrics are shown here, but repeats are OK)

1 $\frac{1}{4}$ yards sashing and border fabric

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ yards backing fabric (42" x 54")

(no binding needed if quilt is enveloped)



Cutting

Cut one 4" x WOF strip each from 9 assorted fabrics (need 9 strips total);

if using Fat Quarters, cut them into 4" x 20" strips (need 18 total).

Cut the sashing and border fabric lengthwise into 6 strips 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 45" long (they will be trimmed to exact lengths later).

Sewing: The "coin" rows are made from strip sets.

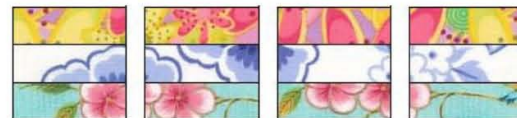
Using the 9 assorted strips, make 3 strip sets with 3 strips in

each set. Press seams in one direction. (If using shorter strips, from FQ's, make 6 strip sets.)

Cut strip sets into 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide sections (4 per strip set, total of 12 from all 3 sets).

(If using FQ's, you'll only get 2 sections per strip set, total of 12 from all 6 sets.)

Combine 4 assorted sections to make a scrappy vertical row of "coins"; make 3 rows with 12 coins in each). *See quilt illustration, top of page.*



Alternating 4 sashing strips and 3 coin rows, sew vertical rows together. (This includes the side borders, which are the same size as the sashing strips.) Trim ends to straighten and even them up. Add top and bottom borders last. Trim corners to square them up.

To finish the quilt using the envelope method, layer in this order:

1. Batting 2. Backing (right side up) 3. Quilt Top (right side down, facing the backing)

Pin together around edges, and stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " from edge of quilt top, leaving an 8" opening for

turning. Trim off excess batting and backing, turn right side out, with batting inside. Stitch

opening closed. Topstitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " around edges. Tie or tack layers together at intervals of about 4" apart.

---Or, if you prefer, layer, quilt and bind in the usual manner.



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