



THREAD TALES

from TQG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Tucson Quilters,

Coming soon. Quilt Fiesta! 2019.

Please help us to make it a great success.

Tell your friends, your family, your bee buddies, your classmates, your neighbors, and any other group you're a part of.

- We've expanded the show to include a modern quilt category.
- We've increased the number of vendors at the show.
- We've continued last year's innovation of offering Quilter's Academy that allows members and vendors alike to showcase their special techniques and tools.
- We will have a small boutique of Tucson Quilters Guild items for sale.

And, of course, we offer the most stunning and diverse collection of quilts on display by any guild in the country or world.

What we have here is special. Let us all continue to invest in the vitality of Quilt Fiesta! 2019 so that we can count on this great display for years and decades into the future. It all depends on us, all of us.

Yours in quilting,

Elaine Romanelli
President, Tucson Quilters Guild

February Calendar

Business Meeting:
Wed. Feb. 6, 9:30 am

General Meetings:
Tues., Feb. 12, 7:00 pm
Wed., Feb. 13, 9:30 am

Newsletter Deadline:
Submission deadline for the
March Newsletter:
Wed., March 20
Articles should be sent to
Newsletter Editor
newsletter@tucsonquiltersguild.com

2019 Quilt Fiesta!
Friday Feb. 22 through
Sunday Feb. 24.

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2019 Election Slate

The following people have graciously agreed to run for a Guild office. Please note that we still have an opening for Quilt Show Co-Chair.

President - Karen Fisher

Vice President - Connie Rank-Smith

Endowments - Betsy Boatwright

Quilt Show Co-Director - OPEN

Members at Large:

Day - Shellie Whitman

Evening - Kimberly Votava

Webmaster - Robin Seaman Spindt

The formal election will be held at the March meetings.

MEMBERSHIP

New Member Year!!!

It's time to renew your Tucson Quilters Guild Membership for 2019. Recall that our membership year runs from April 1 through the end of March of the following year. You have many options for renewal.

- 1) You can renew online with a credit card. See the Website under "Guild Business/ Renew My Membership". This only asks for your name. If your address or other information has changed since last year, let me know via e-mail: membership@tucsonquiltersguild.com.
- 2) You can renew by snail mail with a check. Download a membership form from the Website under "Membership/Join the Guild". Don't forget your self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- 3) Finally, you can renew in person at the February Quilt show or the March meetings. We'll take cash, check or credit card.

Please renew in February or March to avoid interruption in Guild communications, for Newsletter access, and for all of the Guild benefits. Encourage your friends to renew and encourage your non-member friends to consider Guild membership.

Barbara Heiman, TQG Membership Chair

membership@tucsonquiltersguild.com, (520) 427-0930.

QUILTERS ARE GENEROUS

BEAR NEWS 2019

85 beautiful Bears were delivered this past December; **47 to the Ronald McDonald House** and **36 to Teen Challenge**. Both recipients were extremely thankful for the WONDERFUL bears. Thanks to each and everyone of you that adopted and dressed our bears - your talent really shines! Thank you to those awesome ladies that make all the extras: crocheted sweaters; fleece blankets with prettily crocheted edges; extra quilts and donated fabric.

I want to initiate something slightly different for the Bear Program, and hope this will be an accepted change. I do welcome comments.

I plan to make the Bear Program year-round . . . rather than a crunch when we are all so busy during the holidays. After the quilt show I will order a new supply of bears, and am trying to update our patterns, so we can start dressing bears as soon as possible. Those shelters and organizations that provide for our children have needs throughout the year; not just at Christmas. I'm hoping this change will allow us to reach and comfort many more children.

Joyce Bott Bear Program Chair
Contact Information: 520 349-6223
bottjmbott@gmail.com



TQG DEADLINES

FEBRUARY 2019

February 12 & 13 Turn in Show Quilts
February 22, 23, & 24 2019 Quilt Fiesta!

MARCH 2019

Voting on new Guild Board Members

2019 Quilt Fiesta!

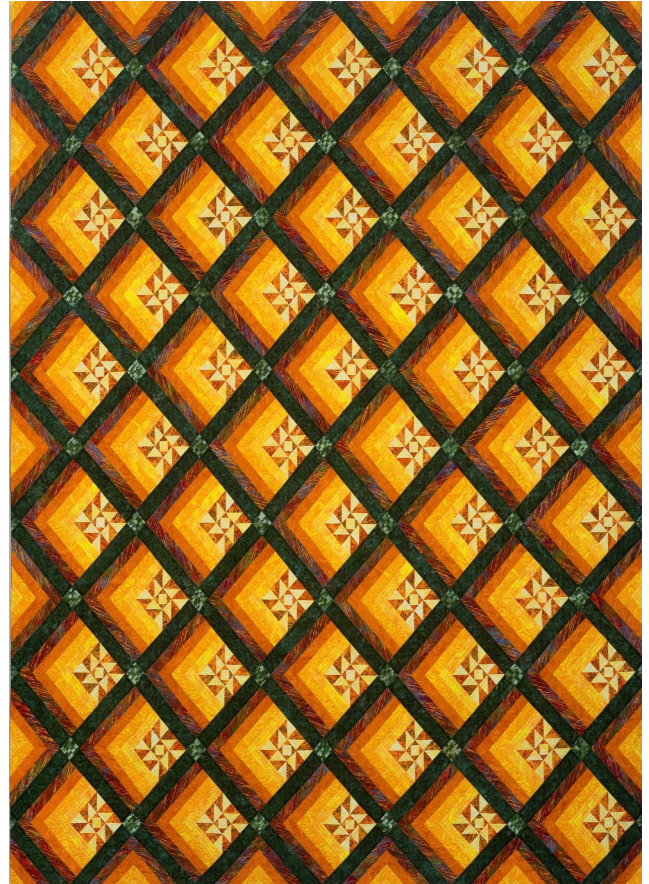
OPPORTUNITY QUILT TICKETS.....

TIME TO TURN IN TICKET

MONEYThank you ladies for supporting our Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales again this year. If you have not already done so, there are several ways to turn in your ticket money.

- 1) Drop off your stubs and money at the February 12 or 13th meeting when you drop off your quilt(s) for the show.
- 2) Return your stubs and money to the Opportunity Quilt Display at the Quilt Show.
- 3) Mail stubs and money to: Char Gasker, 12450 E. Avenida De La Vista Verde, Tucson, AZ 85749.

Again, Thank You for your support of the Tucson Quilters Guild Quilt



2019 Quilt Fiesta Kids Row

I am happy to report that we have 7 quilts with 6 kids participating. Each entrant did receive a letter with instructions for dropping off their quilt. If quilts are being dropped off at a Quilt Shop please do so on or before February 12. Have the quilts in a bag (preferably a pillow case that fits the quilt) clearly labeled with *the maker's name and Tucson Quilt Fiesta Kids Row*. Those not being dropped off at a Quilt Shop should drop the quilts off to me Wednesday February 13 at the regular morning meeting.

I am looking for someone to co-chair this program with me. Having a member that attends the night meeting would be very helpful.

For Information contact:
Joyce Bott 520 349-6223

Other Organizations Associated with TQG

Arizona Quilt Documentation Project – Tucson El Presidio DAR Talk By Sue Franklin

Sue gave the team January off to show her appreciation for the tremendous effort they made at the November 2018 documentation described in the last newsletter. While the team had time off, Sue had a speaking engagement for the El Presidio chapter of DAR. That experience resulted because a member of that group, Alana Shuna, had read the article in the *Desert Leaf* and contacted her. Sue's topic: *Quilt Documentation*; what else? She began by asking the group of about 40-50 women how many were quilters. Perhaps half of them raised their hands. She next asked how many had placed labels on their quilts. NO ONE had put a label on her quilt. Sue explained that while the maker might know the history of the quilt, future owners would not. She quickly mentioned varied types: embroidered, computer generated, hand written, and more. Then she proceeded to describe quilt documentation. But before she could begin, a member of the audience asked why a quilt should be documented and what that really meant.

Many readers of this article also may be unclear about this topic. Documentation's aim is to collect and preserve information about a quilt. The process takes about 30 minutes, sometimes less and occasionally more. However, before anything can be done, the quilt's owner must complete owner release and information forms. Those forms were distributed for the group's perusal. The team uses a seven page tool when documenting a quilt. On this, the physical characteristics of the quilt, back and front are described. Not each item refers to every quilt. Pictures of the entire quilt as well as close ups are taken. Ultimately, results are entered on the *Quilt Index*, housed at *Michigan State University*. Each quilt receives a fabric label with the documentation date and its unique number, such as TUC18098. Examples of the documentation label, plus the quilt label were shown on three varied quilts of Sue's.

Sue gave each member a book mark that listed the 2019 *Public Documentation* dates as well as her email address. She has a request from one of the group's members who would like a quilt documented in 2019.

Every quilt has a story. Don't you wonder what story your quilt has to tell?

The next *Public Documentation* is scheduled for February 9th, then another on April 6th, and finally a third on November 9th at the *Arizona History Museum*. They are pretty well filled; you may remember we have a list of 58 people who want quilts documented. Please contact either Kate Clark at 520-742-1000 or Sue at 520-490-4721 if you'd like to be put on the list for a future event or to check on possible cancellations.

Anyone is welcome to visit our meetings! We love guests. For questions about either quilt documentation or joining the team, please either call or email Tucson liaisons Sue Franklin, (520.490.4721; suevette63@comcast.net) or Terry Gryzb-Wysocki, (520.749.9326; terry-gw@mindspring.com). New team members are welcome.

PROGRAM NOTES

Click on the website address to look at the workshops in detail. Most websites will also have the Supply List needed for the class. The 1 day classes are \$50 and the 2 day classes are \$100. We can now accept credit cards. 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!

Questions: Contact Program Directors: Hester Rogers, hesterrogers@gmail.com
Joline Albaugh, Joline@dbelltech.com

Upcoming Programs

2019

March 2019

[Paula Nadelstern](#)

March 12 & 13 Lecture: Simple Quilts Complex, Fabrics

March 14 Workshop: Simple Symmetry

March 15 Workshop: Sixty-Thirty: a Kaleidoscope Class

April 2019

[Kathy McNeil](#)

April 9 & 10 Lecture: TBD

April 11 Workshop: The Language of Flowers-[Supply List](#)

May 2019

[Norah McMeeking](#)

May 7 & 8 Lecture: Bella Bella Quilts

May 9 Workshop: St. Marks Wallhanging

June 2019

[Helen Frost](#)

June 11 & 12 Lecture: Lone Star Quilts: A Galaxy of Quilts

No Workshop

July 2019

[Programs Chair Choice](#)

[Christmas in July](#)

Tell Us The Story of Your Favorite Holiday Quilt

July 9 & 10

August 2019

[Quilt-A-Thon](#)

August 13 & 14

BRING HISTORY TO LIFE



Arizona Sonora Western Heritage Foundation (ASWHF) would like to invite you to bring history to life through quilting! In conjunction with Old Tucson, we provide authentic living history education of Arizona's Territorial Period to life through our Docent Program. We are expanding our docent program to include trades and everyday life skills of the 1880's. Currently, we have just opened a blacksmith shop and would love to add quilters to the list of new educational demonstrations. Docents relish in the culturally rich history training, then enjoy dressing in provided period

customs borrowed from the wardrobe department. If you think you might be interested in learning more about the expanding program and might like to enjoy sharing your skills while playing dress up, please contact our Director Erin Wyrstek Cyr at 520-988-0911 or ecyr@aswhfoundation.org. Visit us on Facebook (Arizona Sonora Western Heritage Foundation), or checkout our website at aswhf.org. We hope to hear from you!



Tucson Quilters Guild and Tucson's Quilt Fiesta! have a Facebook page! 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-Fiesta/121887434544473>

Newsletter Advertising

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

Quilt related-businesses: \$25 business card size, \$50 1/4 page, \$100 half page

For additional information and to reserve space in the next newsletter,

email the newsletter editor:

newsletter@tucsonquiltersguild.com

2018 Tucson Quilters Guild Bees

OPEN, CLOSED & INVITATIONAL

EAST SIDE

1492 BEE:

Contact: Lisa Fryxell, (575) 590-5472

Where: Library at Columbus & 22nd

When: First Monday, 10 AM to 2 PM

OPEN to new members

EASTSIDE QUIET BEE:

Contact: Vicki Moore, 520-748-7219 or 241-7290,

vmore7331@hotmail.com

Where: ask Vicki

When: First Thursday 6:30 PM

OPEN to new members

HIMMEL QUILTERS

Contact: Ruth Campbell (520) 792-1639 sruthie@cox.net

Where: Himmel Park Library

When: 3rd Wednesday 6 PM to 8 PM

OPEN to new members

NORTHEAST 9 PATCHERS:

Contact: Janice Jones tomjan620@msn.com

Where: Members Homes

When: 9:30 AM 1st Friday

CLOSED to new members

PACIFIC RIM QUILTING BEE:

Contact: Shelby Meyer shelbymeyeraz@cox.net

Where: Quilt Basket

When: First Tuesday of the month, 10:00 AM

OPEN to new members

SIESTA BEE

Contact: Shellie Whitman (520) 850-0810

Where: Members homes

When: 3rd Tuesday 1PM to 4PM

CLOSED to new members

SUNSET BEE:

Contact: Char Gasker cgasker@gmail.com

Where: members homes on the far east side of Tucson

CLOSED to new members

TUCSON ART QUILTERS:

Contact: No contact person at this time

Where: Eastside City Hall, 7575 E. Speedway,

When: Third Wednesday at 10 AM to Noon

OPEN to new members

UFO BEE:

Contact: Mary Meserve dragonquilter54@gmail.com

Where: Quilters Market

When: Every Tuesday 9 AM to 11:30 AM

OPEN to new members

NORTHWEST

MATERIAL GIRLS:

Contact: Cindi Huff (623) 225-6109

quilteronthego57@gmail.com

Where: members homes

When: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

BY INVITATION ONLY

MONA LISA BEE:

Contact: Denise Withrow (520) 429-3936

Where: Foothills Community Church, 3301 W Overton Rd,
Tucson 85742

When: 3rd Monday, 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

BY INVITATION ONLY

PICTURE ROCK BEE:

Contact: Denise Withrow (520) 429-3936

Where: Members homes

When: 1st Monday 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

BY INVITATION ONLY

PIECEPATCHERS:

Contact: Evelyn George

quilter4ever@cox.net

Where: Members homes

When: verify

CLOSED to new members

NORTHWEST NEEDLERS:

Contact: Evelyn George quilter4ever@cox.net

Where: Members homes

When: verify

CLOSED to new members

SOUTHWEST

MONDAY NIGHT QUILTERS:

Contact: Marie Morris (520) 403-6208 or (520) 623-0123

mimawsquilting@hotmail.com

Where: 2555 W Valencia

When: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Sept – Nov and Jan – March,
3rd Monday in September and Monday after Martin Luther
King's day

OPEN to new members



BEE KEEPER: Elizabeth Sonnenfeld,

epsonnenfeld@gmail.com

Tucson Quilters 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 Morning —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 . But please, do not wear fragrance to meetings .
Cost:	Members (\$30/year, due in March) and Guests (\$5.00/meeting with guest speaker)

Reminder: Use of Cameras at Guild Meetings

Due to copyright concerns, photos may be taken before the meetings, during the breaks, and after the meetings. No photography or videos will be permitted during the guest speaker presentations.

SH-Hh-h-h Phone App for TQG Meetings

<http://shushapp.com> The shush app allows you turn the volume of your ringer off for whatever amount of time you want. At the end of that time your phone's ringer will be turned on again. It is handy for those of us who forget to turn on the ringer again.

Remember: TQG Meetings Are Fragrance Free

Please remember to be kind to fellow members with allergies to scents and perfumes. Please attend the meetings fragrance / perfume free. It means another member can attend.

TQG BOARD AND COMMITTEES

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Guild Publicity	OPEN	
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Record Keeper	Mary Meserve	520-465-2785
Website	Elaine Romanelli	president@tucsonquiltersguild.com



Pattern of the Month – February 2019

"We Shall Wear Purple"

12½" unfinished block

(Originally designed in honor of Cathy Dargel, a well-known local Lady in Purple. Blocks were made for her by several Tucson bees and presented to Cathy when she closed her Precious Hands Quilt Shop in 2003. Cathy then made them into a quilt, which was much enjoyed by visitors to our quilt show. It was so much fun to make these applique blocks that the pattern was also featured as the January 2004 Block of the Month; it now reappears for another round of fabulously attired Ladies in Purple.)

Surely you've heard the poem which starts out, "When I am an old woman, I shall wear purple, and a red hat that doesn't go..." In this block, we shall wear any shade of purple, and a red or any other color hat that does or doesn't go. Use your imagination and make her come alive with color and embellishment!

Background

Cut a 13" square of cream, light tan, natural, beige on beige, etc. (Trim to 12 ½" after block is finished.)

Dress

Purple print, any shade or style.

Face

Any color, print or plain (does not have to be a skin color). Add features if you wish; however they are not necessary, and she looks fine without them.

Hat

Red? Turquoise? Purple? Any color that does (or doesn't quite) go!

Embellishments

Lace, beads, feathers, flowers, etc.

It's recommended that embellishments be either washable or removable; items such as buttons, bows, flowers, etc. might be best added after the quilting process.

Fusible Technique*

Select one of the hat templates offered, or design your own. Trace templates for hat, face and dress onto paper backed fusible product of your choice, and fuse to the *wrong* side of your selected fabrics, following manufacturer's directions. *(Note that finished product will be a mirror image of the templates.)* Cut out the fused pieces. Remove paper backing.

Position lower edge of dress piece so that it is even with raw edge at bottom of background square. The chin should slightly overlap dress, and the hat should slightly overlap forehead. Fuse according to directions. Stitch by machine or hand around shapes, using straight or decorative stitching of your choice. (A tear-away stabilizer sheet may be placed beneath work first, to help make stitching smoother.)

***Or, if you prefer, use needle turn appliqué, in which case be sure to add approximately ¼" turn-under allowance to the templates.**



