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Zoom Video Conference - October 13, 2020

9:30am - 12:00pm

Check your email for link to the meeting.

Program - Sarah Goer



Rules and Options of Planned Improv Piecing

Improvisational piecing or "Improv" is putting together a quilt top without a preconceived notion of how it will look. It's a way of working from intuition, with a sense of adventure and a willingness to explore unknown territory. It's probably the most fun you will ever have.
—Google

Our October Zoom speaker, **Sarah Goer**, likes options...but she also likes a

plan. This lecture and virtual show will discuss how Sarah uses her planning nature to develop rules for herself which drive her Planned Improv quilt design work. She shares work in a series and shows how she iterates on a design. Sarah explains how she develops a formula for her project. You will leave with specific ideas of how to develop a set of rules to guide your own improv piecing.

Sarah Goer is a quilt artist, pattern designer, teacher, and lecturer who is passionate about using bold color and geometric design in both traditional and improv quilts. She enjoys inspiring others in their creativity. Her favorite tools for quilt design are graph paper and a design wall. Sarah lives in San Jose, CA with her husband and two quilter kids and enjoys sharing her work and process at www.sarahgoerquilts.com.



Scrappy Squares by Sarah Goer



Pantone Ultra Violet - All About Angles - Sarah Goer



Upcoming programs:

November - **Yvonne Fuchs**

Transparency Fabric Selection Tips & Tricks (Zoom)

www.quiltingjetgirl.com

December - **David Owen Hastings**

Exploring Nature with Paper and Stitch (Zoom)

www.davidowenhastings.com

President's Corner - Mary Arter

We now have held four general meetings via Zoom video conferencing. After some initial scrambling, we are having good luck booking speakers who are Zoom savvy. One positive outcome is that we can bring in speakers regardless of where they live as there are no costs for airfare or a hotel room.

Given the uncertainties of holding a future indoor meeting as well as to how COVID-19

may interact with the annual flu season, our general meetings will be held via Zoom though February 2021. We will assess the possibility of meeting "live" after that.

A big part of the enjoyment of our general meetings is socializing with friends. We are looking for ways to "mingle" using Zoom. At our first few meetings, members could join Zoom early—before the meeting was called to order—to talk. Unfortunately, this became unwieldy (and noisy).



Beginning last month, I used the **Zoom Breakout Room** function and members were able to chat in small groups of 10. If you haven't already, I urge you to try it. Last month, members reported that they had group conversations about messy sewing rooms, Netflix and Amazon Prime favorites, among other things. If you'd like to socialize but are shy, don't worry, there will be others who will start a conversation. There is no requirement to join a breakout room; just stay for the main meeting if you want. And don't worry, all breakout sessions end when the meeting is called to order and participants are returned to the main event.

A **Zoom Sewcial** is also in the works. This will be an open meeting a couple times a month. Bring your sewing (set up your device in your sewing area) and socialize with anyone who has joined. If the crowd becomes too large and noisy, I can separate it into small groups. Or, if you have a band of friends who want to get together, let me know and I'll put you in a breakout room. The Zoom Sewcial access link will be in my weekly [Saturday Stitches](#) email.

Also, we are working on future **Zoom Workshops**; scroll down to "Workshops" for details.

If you haven't yet joined a Zoom meeting, please do. If you are uncomfortable using the camera on your phone, tablet, or computer, you can listen in using the dial-in number provided for each meeting. If you have a tech-savvy friend, ask them for help getting started. And for all of you who are using Zoom, reach out to your "tech-shy" friends to see if they need help. We miss you and would love to hear your voice.

Membership - Vivien Hawker

The September 8, 2020 Zoom general meeting:

Members Present - 87
Guests - 0
New members - 0
Total at Zoom meeting - 87
Total current members - 181

Pat Finnerty won attendance door prize; **Nancy Ota** won Show & Tell fat quarter door prize.

Guest policy: A guest may attend one Zoom general meeting at no charge.

If a guest wishes to attend additional meetings, we ask that they either join the guild or mail \$5 to the guild's PO box for each meeting attended. (PO Box address is at the bottom of this newsletter.)

Parliamentarian - Monica Shafer

A Bylaws Committee has been assembled and members are currently reviewing Surfside's bylaws. **Suzanne Blake, Susan Ritschel, Jeanne Haynes, Linda Rigdon, and Maggie Bell** volunteered to be on the committee and I'm very grateful for their help. Thanks to the last review by **Mary Arter**, our bylaws aren't in need of much attention.

All of us in the quilting world have made changes due to COVID-19, relying increasingly on technology. Guidelines for these changes need to be addressed and added to the bylaws.

In the September newsletter, it was stated that the reviewed bylaws would be voted on by guild members at the October guild meeting. This vote will be moved to the November meeting to allow time for the board to review and vote on any changes. Questions and concerns about the bylaws can be sent to **Monica Shafer**, monicashafer@gmail.com or call: 949-933-6345.

Philanthropy - Linda Chiu & Nancy Pestal

We have many quilts "in process" right now. If you are interested in trying out some of the techniques described by **HollyAnne Knight** of String and Story, let us know. (**HollyAnne** was our speaker in September.) This would be a good way to practice your free motion quilting techniques on one of our small quilt tops.

We received donated fabric this month—thank you, everyone, who contributed. We appreciate your support.

At this time, we ARE ABLE to get into the church to go through our supplies. We can get to our fabric stash to find backs for all the beautiful tops people have sewn. Please let us know if you need anything.

We have 152 quilts completed. Sewing has been a great hobby during this "stay at home" time. Thanks to everyone! We appreciate YOU!

Happy sewing!

Photo below -- Philanthropy Quilt "Parade"

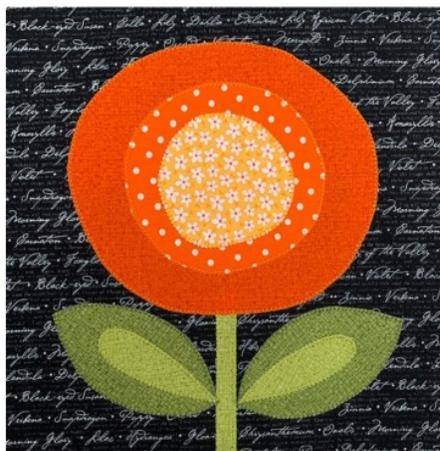


Block of the Month - Vickie Janis, Janis Toman



SURFSIDE QUILTERS GUILD
BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Block Seven - Happy Flower



Block 7 is Happy Flower. It is a quick and easy block that can be appliqued using any technique you would like. Add some embroidery, beads or buttons to make this 9.5" unfinished block bring some happiness into your day.

BOM BLOCK 7 FLOWER FUN

The seventh block of the month for 2020-2021 is the **Happy Flower**.

Choose your favorite applique technique to create your block (9.5"x9.5" unfinished).

Patterns and yardage requirements are available on the **SQG website**.

Treasurer's Report - Nancy Ota

Surfside Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report August 2020

BEGINNING BALANCE August 1, 2020	77,218.75
INCOME	
Membership	40.00
Membership Guest Fees	20.00
Amazon Smile	65.58
TOTAL INCOME	125.58
EXPENSES	
Facilities /August Zoom one month	64.99
Program Speaker/Holly Anne Knight/September	250.00
USPS/Post Office Box rent 12 months	106.00
Vivien Hawker/Membership/shred old directories	4.00
Vivien Hawker/Programs/Postage	55.00
San Clemente Pres Church/Philanthropy August 2020	100.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	579.99
ENDING BALANCE AUGUST 31, 2020	76,764.34
Nancy Ota, Treasurer	

Workshops - Deanna Garcia & Gladys Sherman

Something New: Zoom Workshops!

Brita Nelson - Making Magic - Disappearing Block Sampler Quilt

Two parts:

January 13, 2021 9:30am - 12:30pm

January 15, 2021 9:30am - 12:30pm

www.questioningquilter.com

This is a six hour Zoom workshop



(broken into two parts) and will be structured similar to a "sew along." There are nine blocks. Brita will demonstrate how to make the block along with tips on accurate piecing and pressing. Zoom allows her to answer questions immediately and to help anyone having trouble.

The pattern is available on her website (www.questioningquilter.com) and is recommended, not required. It is \$10; Brita will send a code for a 20% discount. In addition to the pattern, there is a three minute video

covering the disappearing block technique on her website.

Elizabeth Eastmond - Merrion Square Quilt Zoom Workshop

Two parts: February 10, 2021- 9am - 2pm

Follow up: February 16, 2021 - 12:30 - 1:30pm

www.opquilt.com

Pattern available through her website; you will need to download it beforehand. It is \$10. More details on her flyer (below).

Workshop sign-ups for Surfside members are \$40 and non-members \$50. To sign-up, email Deanna Garcia at 46RDGarcia@gmail.com; checks should also be mailed to her. Please make checks payable to Surfside Quilters Guild (no abbreviations). For more information, contact Deanna or Vivien Hawker at vivienhawker@cox.net.



Merrion Square Quilt Workshop

Walk around a Dublin neighborhood, or make it all yours with a well-written pattern with many illustrations. This quilt has two different mini quilts, and one larger all-houses quilt.

The Zoom Workshop consists of live instruction, accompanied by supporting videos and handouts, available only to students of the class.

Visit PayHip.com/opquilt to download a Preview, with suggested fabric requirements. Your needs may vary, depending on the type of fabric you choose.

You'll fall in love with live-online workshops at home!

Downloadable \$10.00 pattern available on PayHip.com/opquilt

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October Birthdays

Sandy Hooper - 3
Barbara McFarland - 4
Chris Huben - 5
Denise Riley McCrory - 7
Annette Leinen - 8
Sue Farmer-Quinn - 11
Lenora Wills - 12
Charlotte Runyan - 15

Jo Hutcheson - 16
Mary Freedman - 19
Linda Ambrosini - 24
Sue Troise - 24
Vickie Janis - 26
Tania Owens - 28
Sharon Whelan - 31



Show & Tell



Sheri Hill



Nancy Ota

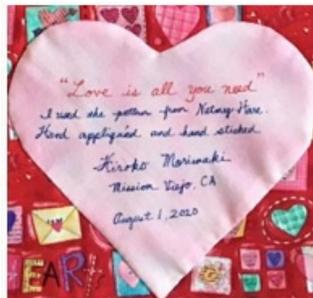




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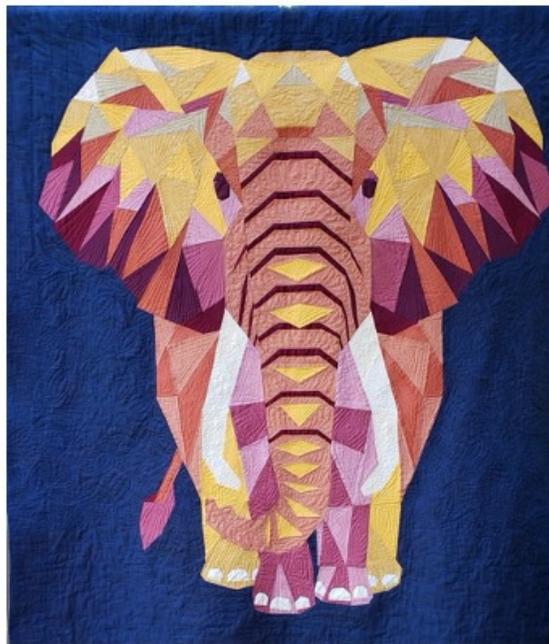


Janis Toman



Hiroko
Moriwaki

Monica Shafer



Vickie Janis



Linda Chiu

Mary Freedman

Mary Freedman was born to sew. As a young girl, her mother taught her to appliqué tea towels. She went on to sew clothing for her two daughters, many Christmas gifts through the years, and even wedding dresses. After becoming a grandmother, she continued to sew and has made quilts with her four grandchildren.

Mary's quilting journey began in Pomona in the 1970's when she took a Quilt as You Go Sampler class taught by **Nancy Donahue**. This first quilt was made for her husband's converted bus. It became a "one and done" technique and she moved on.



Mary loves all aspects of the quilting process. Although she has no favorite type of quilting, she is Queen of the Binding and loves to make Christmas patterns and baby quilts for Philanthropy. She is an obsessive finisher and has no UFO's. Bravo Mary! I can't say the same.

Her large quilt studio helps her meet her goals. She has 32 feet of cabinets for storage, a washer & dryer, and large scale design walls and tables. Mary estimates that she has between 4000 to 6000 yards of fabric, including a large portion of purples, pinks, and yellows. "Easter colors" are her favorite palette. Unfortunately, she's getting reacquainted with her fabric the hard way these days. Due to an allergy to formaldehyde, Mary (and friends) are having to wash, dry, and fold all that lovely yardage!

Mary was instrumental in the development and growth of Surfside Quilters Guild. One of the founding members, she continues to contribute her time and studio space to the needs of the guild. She has hosted board meetings, chaired Monthly Mini and the 50-50 Raffle, stepped in to co-chair the 2019 November Fest boutique with **Charlotte Spere**, and has been involved in the creation of numerous President's Quilts. Mary is such an asset to our guild.



Mary Freedman



Mary Freedman

Marketplace



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SQG Members: No charge for advertising sewing-related items for sale, trade, or free at this time. Send advertisements to Debbie Myers. Note: phone numbers and email addresses may be found in the directory.

Out & About

**Southern California
Contemporary Quilts Exhibit**

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Appointment needed--times and
dates available on website. Video of
quilts also on website.

*(Before going, call to make sure museum is open. SD County is headed
toward another shutdown as I write this.)*



Orange Quilt Bee Holiday Craft Boutique (*one of our sponsors*)

628 E. Katella Ave., Orange, CA 92867

Saturday, October 10, 2020 - 9am to 3pm

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SCCQG - Robin Valles & Sharon Jaeger

The next Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds meeting is October 10, 2020. Topic is **the Successful Transition of Officers**. The majority of member guilds in SCCQG have elected boards and sometimes the transition is not smooth due to a variety of reasons. All member guilds are invited to attend and learn new techniques as well as share ideas.

This is a virtual meeting via Zoom; start time is 10:00am. Contact **Pam Overton** at pam@travelingquilters.com for more information. You will need to register for the meeting to attend.

SCCQG has decided to move the 2021 **Meet the Teacher** event on-line. It will be Saturday, April 10, 2021, a Zoom Virtual Event from 9:30-12:00. Registration forms for teachers and information will be posted to the MTT page of the SCCQG website after October 16, 2020.

SCCQG is beginning to learn about groups that are collecting and distributing quilts to fire victims in California and Oregon. In CA:

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The Surfside Quilters Guild, a 501(c)(3) corporation was established March 2009 to promote quilting and fiber arts in the South Orange County area. The Guild offers the opportunity to share experiences with other quilters in an atmosphere of fellowship as well as to enhance the knowledge and skills of its membership. Newsletters are distributed via the internet. Meetings are the second Tuesday of the Month. Dues are \$40 annually for the membership year from May 1st through April 30th. Guests are always welcome for a donation of \$5. Membership and Volunteer forms are available on our website.



Surfside Quilters Guild

Guild meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at San Clemente Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 119 Avenida de la Estrella, San Clemente, CA 92672.

Visit [Surfside Quilters Guild](#) for more information.

