

Next Meeting: Sherrie Tootle, 3rd VP - Programs and Workshops

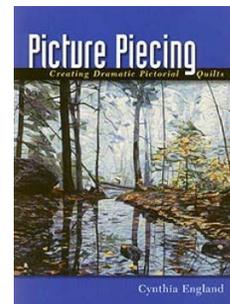
December 1, 2016



Cynthia England

Guild Meeting speaker – Cynthia England **Lecture: “Creating a Pictorial Quilt”**

Cynthia England is a graduate of the Art Institute of Houston and has been creating quilts for more than forty years. Experimentation with quilting techniques led her to develop her own unique style, “Picture Piecing.” Cynthia’s quilts have been honored with many awards, including three Best of Shows at the prestigious International Quilt Association, (most recently last month!!) as well as Viewer’s Choice at the American Quilter’s Society. Her quilt, “*Piece and Quiet*,” was distinguished as one of the Hundred Best Quilts of the 20th Century.



Cynthia teaches and lectures nationally and internationally. In addition, she is the designer and owner of England Design Studios, which is a publishing/pattern company which specializes in the “Picture Piecing” technique. She has designed over 60 patterns that use this technique. Visit her website at: www.englanddesign.com

December Lesson **of the Month** **Quilting Words** 6:30 p.m.

(see page 2 for more information)

Friday, December 2, 2016 Workshop: “Texas Pride”

You will have the choice of making either a Texas flag or the state of Texas. Materials fee is \$25.00. If you are new to Picture Piecing this is a great introduction. Fast and Easy! See page 2 for location, photos and project information.

Saturday, December 3, 2016 Workshop: “Picture Piecing”

Saturday’s workshop will be a small landscape – either flowers or a beach scene. This is Cynthia’s most popular class. The quilt is 19” X 17”. There is no tracing involved and the templates are preprinted onto freezer paper. Fabric selection, organizational skills and construction methods will be addressed in class. Materials Fee is \$35.00. See page 3 for location, photos and more information.

Please stop by the Programs and Workshop table to sign up, or contact Sherrie Tootle at programs@quiltersguildofdallas.org

What to bring to the meeting:

- Membership card
- Name Tag
- Guild Library Books
- Money to register for upcoming workshops, etc.
- Completed Covers for Kids projects
- Show Entry Forms

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Friday December 2, 2016

Workshop: Texas Pride Wall Hanging

MATERIAL FEE \$25.00

If you are new to Picture Piecing this is a great introduction. Fast and Easy!

Payment for materials can be made in class. Cash, check or MasterCard/Visa is accepted.

Please stop by the Programs and Workshop table to sign up, or contact Sherrie Tootle at programs@quiltersguildofdallas.org.

The workshop will be from 9 am to 4 pm at:

Pieced Together Studio

205 Main St.

Mesquite, TX 75149



Choose one 'State of Texas' **OR** 'Texas'
Beginner Level

We Texans LOVE our state! This is one of the easiest patterns we have. This would make a great center block for a Texas themed quilt.

Material fee includes pattern and fabric kit complete with border and binding.

Payment for materials can be made in class. Cash, check or MasterCard/Visa is accepted.

Saturday December 3, 2016

Workshop: Small Landscape Quilt

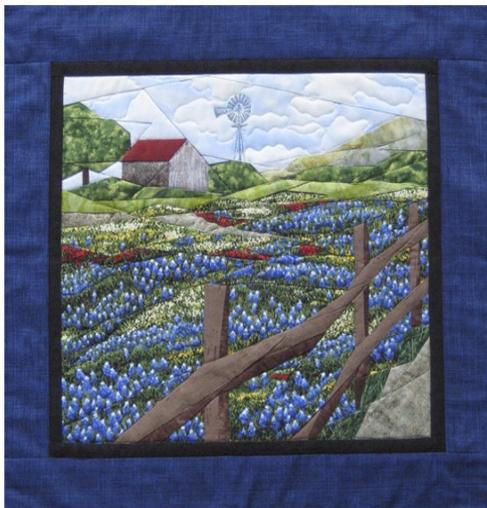
MATERIAL FEE \$35

This is Cynthia's most popular class. The quilt is 19" X 17". There is no tracing involved and the templates are preprinted onto freezer paper. Fabric selection, organizational skills and construction methods will be addressed in class. Sewing machines and irons required.

Please stop by the Programs and Workshop table to sign up, or contact Sherrie Tootle at programs@quiltersguildofdallas.org.

The workshop will be from 9 am to 4 pm at:

Pieced Together Studio
205 W. Main St.
Mesquite, TX 75149



Choose one – 'Field of Flowers' **OR** Sandy Shore
Beginner Level

Material fee includes pattern and fabric kit complete with border and binding.

Payment for materials can be made in class. Cash, check or MasterCard/Visa is accepted.

From the President



Cindy Matthews
Guild President

It hardly seems possible that we are already preparing for the Christmas holidays!

I hope you are well on your way to completing your quilted Christmas gifts! I went to the Houston Quilt Festival and bought enough projects to make my entire family homemade gifts - but we all know (at least my family does) that I won't get half of them completed! It's the thought that counts, right?

I tend to purchase items that involve new techniques that will challenge me. In that light, I am so excited to have Cynthia England as our speaker and workshop leader in December. I spent some time in her booth at the Festival learning about her technique and am looking forward to learning more in her workshop. How cool is it that she won "Best in Show"?! And we get to learn from her just weeks after that win!

Do you have a technique that you would like to learn from a certain quilting instructor? Please share those ideas with a Board Member so we can work towards getting that designer/quilter at an upcoming meeting, or have that technique demonstrated at the "Lesson of the Month." I'm sure you aren't the only one that would be interested.

I wish you all a very Happy Holiday season. Enjoy your time with family and friends ... and with your sewing machine!

Cindy

Lesson of the Month

Mary Howard
7th VP-Education

6:30 p.m. at the Lesson of the Month Table: Quilting Words

Words are powerful tools. They can encourage, comfort, challenge or entertain someone. Why not use this tool in your quilting, adding interest to your quilts?

Come to the December lesson of the month and learn tips for getting started and see examples of quilts with quilted words.

Sunshine and Shadows

Lut De Meulder
2nd VP - Ways and Means

Marilyn Dickson broke her ankle a couple hours before her granddaughter's wedding which she was supposed to officiate. She took a couple of pain killers, wed her granddaughter and then went to the ER. Marilyn is one tough lady!

Several of our members won prizes at the Houston Quilt Festival!! **Linda Neal, Tonya Littmann, Debra Boschert, Barbara Oliver-Hartman, and Melissa Sobotka.** If we missed anyone, let us know!
Congratulations!!



Quilt Show 2017

Martha Wolf
6th VP - Show

We are moving right along on work for the 2017 show!

We already have entries, and vendors and the Judges are all locked in.

It is time to start thinking about where and when to volunteer at the show. Our volunteer committee will be coming to guild meetings and taking sign-ups – we cannot do this without our volunteers!

If you haven't already picked out your own entry for the show, now is a good time to finalize that.

I also know the committee is taking miniature quilts for the mini auction already – I hope you can find time to make something for the mini auction as well.

Miniature Quilt Auction

Donna King
Mini Quilt Auction Committee

As the holidays approach, we are so thankful for all the blessings we have.

Your Mini Quilt Auction Committee wishes you a joyous holiday season.

We count all of you as a very special blessing to us. We thank you so much for your continued support of our Miniature Quilt Auction and all you do to make it the great success it has been and will be. Our beneficiary for the 2017 Mini Quilt Auction is the Association for Independent Living (AFIL).

Bonnie Ambrose and Donna King, committee members, held a Mini Quilt workshop for the small group Nimble Thimbles. There were 18 ladies in attendance.

We all had a great time and some beautiful mini's have been started. Donna King is planning on joining them for their January meeting to offer any assistance they may need to complete their miniature quilts.

REMINDER!!! We are offering a Mini Workshop for all who would like to attend at Urban Spools in Dallas on December 11, 2016, from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. It is a great opportunity to receive ideas and patterns, plus any assistance you may need, and it's free! Space is limited so we do need you to make a reservation.

Please call Donna King at 214-763-2817 or Patty Edwards at 214-783-1241 to make your reservation.

Your Miniature Quilt Auction Committee

QGD Education Committee

Mary E. Howard

VP - Education

Did you go to the International Quilt Festival? Have you picked up a neat tool lately that makes some aspect of the quilt process easier? Then you may have the perfect lesson of the month! Or maybe there is something that you struggle with that you would like to see as the lesson of the month.

If you have a suggestion or would like to volunteer, please email me at mehoward77@verizon.net. AND, checkout the scholarship information below! As you think about the coming new year - yes, it is just around the corner - is there a quilt-related class, workshop or seminar that you would like to take in 2017?

The Helena Hibbs Memorial Scholarship was established to further the education of quilters. With this scholarship offer you can give and receive a bit of education. For a limited time the Guild is offering to help YOU take a class or workshop. After a simple application you could receive up **\$100** to help cover the tuition for a quilt related class or workshop. In exchange for this scholarship, you will prepare and present a Lesson of the Month at a Guild meeting. Contact Mary Howard, mehoward77@verizon.net for more details and the application.

This is an offer you can't refuse ... or at least shouldn't refuse!

Dallas Area Fiber ARTists (DAFA)

News

Lu Peters

Special Correspondent

Dallas Area Fiber Artists will celebrate the holiday season with the Annual Pot Luck Dinner on November 28, 2016 at C.C. Young Retirement Community, The Point.

At 5:50 p.m. the Artist Trading Card swap will begin followed by the U-GLY Holiday Party. Attire is U-GLY Holiday Wearables (think beyond an ugly Christmas sweater) and U-GLY prizes will be awarded!



See the website for details, www.dallasfiberartists.org. Guests are welcome. There is no December meeting, But the January 23, 2017 program features our Mixed Media Mania, a chance for attendees to learn four varied fiber techniques from our talented members. Details will be on the website soon and this is a great opportunity for prospective new members to attend and sample many new inspirations.

Quilt Shows and Events Calendar*

*Donna Petrick
TAQG Representative*

*Lu Peters
DAFA Representative*

*for additional information on these and other guild events, visit the guild website at www.quiltersguildofdallas.org

January 12-14, 2017 Oklahoma City Winter Quilt Show

Where:

State Fair Grounds, Cox Pavilion
3001 General Pershing Boulevard
Oklahoma City, OK

Time:

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Saturday

Information:

Pre-Show Workshops begin January 11, 2017

Hundreds of quilts, free lectures, vendors, quilt appraisals, longarm quilting workshops

www.qscexpos.com

January 12-16, 2017 QGD Winter Retreat

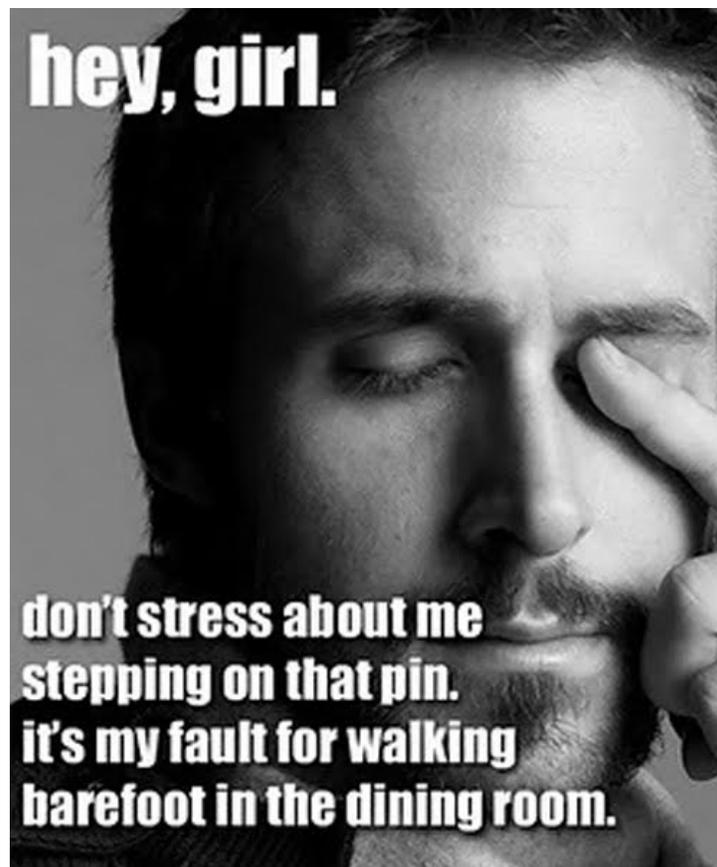
Where:

Tanglewood Resort, Lake Texoma

Information:

See article below, and Reservation Form on page 14

<http://quiltersguildofdallas.org/retreats>



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January 5, 2017

Guild Meeting Speaker – Michelle Watts

Lecture: TBD

Michelle Watts is a quilt artist who loves living in the Southwest region of the U.S. Michelle has been quilting for over 30 years. She has spent the last 24 years creating wearable clothing and quilts that express her love of the Southwest. Michelle designs southwestern quilt and wearable art patterns, southwest fabrics, teaches classes and lectures throughout the U.S. She is also the author of three quilting books. Most of Michelle's quilts are machine pieced, machine appliquéd and machine quilted.

J. Michelle Watts
ANCIENT ONES



A 24" X 30" appliqué wall quilt

As a quilt designer, she is continuously inspired by the beauty of her surroundings. She draws inspiration from Native American weavings, pottery, woven baskets, jewelry and beadwork, Spanish tinwork, ironwork, wood carvings, tile architecture, churches, missions, and the landscape are also used for inspiration. Through her use of rich color, strong design and texture, Michelle creates objects of beauty to the eye and comfort to the soul.

Friday, January 6, 2017, Workshop: "Have a Heart"

Saturday, January 7, Workshop: "Creative Chaos"

Lecture and workshop information coming soon.

www.jmichellewatts.com

February 2, 2017

Guild Meeting Speaker – Sue Nickels

Lecture TBD

March 2, 2017

Guild Meeting Speaker – Sally Asbacher

Lecture TBD

April 6, 2017

Guild Meeting Speaker – Dr. Marian Ann Montgomery

Lecture: TBD

For more information on these and other programs and workshops, contact Sherrie Tootle at programs@quiltersguildofdallas.org.

**Minutes from the
November 3, 2016
General Meeting**

*Pat Aldrich
Guild Secretary*

**Quilter's Guild of Dallas
General Membership Meeting
Congregation Shearith Israel
Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2016**

Lesson of the Month: There was no Lesson of the Month at the November Guild meeting.

President Cindy Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Given that the meeting was a Covers for Kids work night, the business portion was abbreviated.

Lut de Meulder (4th VP - *Communications*): Marilyn Dickson broke her ankle. It happened the day of her granddaughter's wedding. She officiated for the wedding and then went to the doctor.

Sherrie Tootle (3rd VP - *Programs and Workshops*): Cynthia England (who won best of show at Houston this year) will be our speaker in December. For the workshops, she will be teaching her Picture Piecing method. Friday's workshop will use the kit "Texas Pride" and Saturday's will use two small landscape kits (pick the one you want to do). Why take one of these workshops? Learn from an award-winning quilter, you can finish Friday's project during class, and you can't beat the price (at Houston, three hour classes are \$45, and a two-day class is \$170).

January's speaker is J. Michelle Watts. The Friday workshop is her "Have a Heart" quilt (choice of two sizes) and Saturday's workshop is "Creative Chaos," which has a stained-glass look.

There are still openings in all of these workshops.

There were several Texas winners at the Houston Quilt Festival: Linda Neal/Jackie Brown, Tonya Littmann, Debra Boschert, Barbara Oliver-Hartman and Melissa Sobotka.

Bonnie Ambrose (1st VP - *Community Service*): There are four kits left to be picked up and three quilts to bind. 49 quilts were received in October. There will be a drawing at the end of the night's work for a workshop voucher. Only those in attendance at the time are eligible.

For the show's block contest "Home Dream Home" there are four packets left. They are \$10.00 which will be refunded when you turn your block in.

There will be a mini workshop at Urban Spools on December 11, 2016. It is free, and patterns will be provided. Seating is limited, so call Patty Edwards if you want to attend. Beneficiary is the Association for Independent Living.

Bring and Brag: 5 people shared 5 items.

Martha Wolf (6th VP - *Show*): The judges are in place. Please send in your entries, and be prepared to sign up to volunteer.

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Rhonda Anderson (*Retreat/Covers for Kids*): The retreat is coming up in January. The form is online; it should be sent to Chris Becker. Not many are signed up, but we need a minimum number to have the retreat.

For tonight's sewing many brought sewing machines. Four door prizes were given out throughout the workshop time. Fran Casey won the workshop voucher.

There were 50 in attendance with 1 visitor.

Cindy adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. though people were welcome to stay and work until 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Aldrich
2016-2017 Guild Secretary

Minutes

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