

Pines & Needles

Newsletter of the Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild
www.mpqg.org



General Meeting Monday, August 3, 2015 First Monday

Set-up: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

Pacific Grove Community Center
515 Junipero Avenue
(at 15th Street)
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

What to Bring

1. *Election* choices
2. Check or cash for workshops
3. Name tags
4. Show-and-Tell
5. UFOs
6. Library Books
7. Pen and calendar to volunteer
8. Community Quilts

Next Meeting

Karen Rips & General Election & More! August 3, 2015

Karen Rips creates her own fabric using a variety of surface design techniques. Her current body of work focuses on the interpretation of medical images which she finds compelling since they can tell a story or by abstraction become a series of lines and shapes. She made her first quilt in 1980 and since retiring as a neonatal nurse in 2004, has been a full time artist.



She is a member of Twelve by Twelve: The International Art Quilt Challenge, which has been on tour continuously since 2009 and was the subject of the book of the same name. Currently in an artistic partnership with artist Paula Chung called A View Within, Karen has exhibited at Quilt National in 2011, World of Threads in 2014, and has had numerous solo and juried shows.

Fiber is Karen's medium of choice because it is tactile, easily manipulated, and allows itself to be altered in many different ways. Tactile elements are important in her work because they give the piece even more reason to get up close and look at the art.

and more ...

MPQG Elections - At 7 p.m. and prior to our speaker, we will hold our annual elections. We need a quorum and are counting on each member to help us achieve the necessary numbers.

This August, we join Back Porch Fabrics in Pacific Grove, CA in celebrating their 19th anniversary. Store owner and long-time MPQG member, Gail Abeloe, will create 19 colorful gift collections that will be raffled to raise funds for the guild. Many thanks go to Gail for her wonderful shop, unique selection of fabrics, excellent classes, and generosity to MPQG over the years. Don't forget to bring cash for raffle tickets - look for Carole Olsen who will be selling them.

2015 Challenge Quilt Display - The deadline to complete the quilts is Monday, August 3 for display at the MPQG meeting. They will be shown at the Monterey County Fair September 2-7, 2015. A later exhibit is planned for the 2016 MPQG Quilt Show held in April.

Next Workshop

Barbara Shapel
Saturday & Sunday,
October 3 & 4, 2015

Thread Painting: Japanese Maple

For more details, see page 5.

Year in Review 2014-2015

President's Message

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

August brings the close of the MPQG year and the end of my two-year term as MPQG President. It has been my privilege to continue in the footsteps of the pioneers of the guild.

Looking back over this past year, you can be proud of the work accomplished by your Board. Best of all, this work will benefit the Guild in the years to come.

Most visible, of course, are our monthly Programs and annual Quilt Show. Membership numbers are stable at 196. Activities and Community Outreach events have been successful. Our Communications vehicles of the MPQG Web Site and Pines & Needles Newsletter report all the happenings.

Less visible to the general membership was the:

- continued simplification of the Board member tasks;
- continued practice of limiting Board meetings to one hour; and
- adherence to the plan to reduce our financial reserve led by Colleen Johnson, Treasurer.

Many thanks to my fellow board members for their hard work and good deeds: Judi Brown, Janyce Anderson, Nora Deans, Colleen Johnson, Sally Miller, Tina Magill, Barbara Grant, Noreen Nance, and Margaret Nava. Another thanks to the Supporting Committees including: Regina Liske, Chris Raarup, Jane Firth, Cindy Brown, Elizabeth Hull, Jeanne Mills, Alex Burke, Barbara Barrieau, Pat Morris, Alice Stoll, Terann Carr, June Cornell, Becky Taylor, Lisa Maddalena, and Gail Abeloe. Bouquets to Rita Jacques and her quilt show team.

Another big thanks goes to the members like Tiana Duart who pops up to hold quilts at each meeting. So thanks to Tiana and every member like her who is there when needed.

Please continue to invite younger friends and neighbors to meetings and our quilt shows so that we can keep this art alive for the generations to come.

Where else does the Board need your help? That's an easy answer: Every few years, volunteer as a Board of Directors' member. Just do it!!

Thank you Back Porch Fabrics

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133



Celebrating 19 years in PG

August is the anniversary month for Back Porch Fabrics of Pacific Grove. Gail Abeloe, the owner, is very generous to the guild in many ways and this August is no exception. Gail will donate 19 gift packets to be raffled as a fund raiser for MPQG at our August 3th meeting. Thank you! from all of us.



**** Election ****

Nominees for the 2015-2016 Board Positions

By Jancye Anderson, cvoaks2011@gmail.com

Jancye Anderson, 2nd Vice President announces the Board nominations for the following members to serve as officers in the positions listed. The election of officers will be held at the General Meeting on Monday, August 3rd. There are 3 positions listed below, which need to be filled, please consider.

BYLAWS

Article VII, Section 2A Nominations

1. The complete slate of the Nominating Committee shall be presented at the July meeting of the Membership, posted on the Web Site or mailed to all members with the August Newsletter.
2. If no additional nominations are made from the floor the Article VII states: "the assembly, by unanimous consent, may dispense with the ballot when there is but one candidate for each positions and the election may be by voice vote.

MPQG Board of Directors 2015-2016

Position	Candidate	Length of Term
President	Nora Deans	2 years
2nd Vice President	OPEN	2 years
Secretary	Bonnie Tomsheck	1 year*
Activities	Allison Barrett	1 year*
Community Outreach	OPEN	2 years
Communications	OPEN	2 years

*These positions are only one year to keep the nomination process in line with the By-laws.

We Need A Quorum on August 3!

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

Are you asking yourself what a quorum is and why the guild needs one? It's because our by-laws state that a quorum must be present to hold the annual election held each August. In this case, a quorum constitutes 1/3 of our membership or 65ish members.

An Aside: If you buy a door prize ticket for the Back Porch Fabrics 19 anniversary gift collections and are one of 65, you will have roughly a one in four chance of winning! Great odds.

Membership News & Dues

Noreen Nance, Membership Chair nor9215een@gmail.com 831-915-3441

We had two guests attend our meeting on 7/6. Terry Burns and Diane Wilsey. Maybe they will decide to become members.

On that note, it is renewal time again. Dues are due by 8/31/15 for the 2015/2016 year. They are \$35, the same as last year.

If you are currently receiving the newsletter via USPS, you will continue to do so unless you indicate on the renewal form that you would like to receive the newsletter via email. Membership directories will be available for pickup at the October, November and December meetings. You can also OPT to receive the directory via USPS for an additional \$1. Just add it to your membership dues. You can also OPT to NOT receive a hard copy of the directory as it is soooo easy to access through our website, MPQG.org. Indicate that you do not require a hard copy on the renewal form. Dues can be mailed directly to me. My address is on the renewal form. Or you can drop them off at the August guild meeting. I will not be at the August meeting so give them to either Chris Raarup or Claudia Sammis.

Renewal forms can be accessed on the website, MPQG.org, or at the August meeting. You will be listed in the directory only if I receive your renewal by September 15th.

Tell Me A Story

EBHQ Cloth Doll Challenge

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

East Bay Heritage Quilters (EBHQ) presents A Cloth Doll Challenge to be shown as a Special Exhibit during the 2016 Voices in Cloth Quilt Show.

The quilt show is held the weekend of March 19 and 20, 2016, at the Craneway Pavillion in Richmond's historical Waterfront Park. Watch their web site for details and entry form, www.ebhq.org.

NCQC 2015 Deadline is August 7

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

Heads up ... there is a mistake on the instructions re: deadline. Go with Friday, August 7 and you'll be safe.

Entries are being accepted for New Quilts of Northern California at the Pacific International Quilt Festival in October.

[Download the instructions and entry form.](#)

Entry forms for PIQF may be found at www.quiltfest.com.



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September Recycle Tables Headed by Liz Rondelle

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

This month only, during the August 3 General Meeting, you have the chance to bring fabric and all quilt-related donation items to the Recycle Tables. Open Hours: 6:15 to 7:00 p.m. and 8:15 to 8:45 p.m. Closed during the tying event from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m.

Of course, members will want to peruse the goods for treasures to take home and add to their own stashes. Please bring your own shopping bags. All items remaining at the end of the evening will be donated or tossed.

Thanks to Liz Rondelle for taking on this project. Another thanks to Sharon Coniglio for the donation of 60 quilting books to seed the tables.

This will not be an ongoing service but a one-time-only opportunity.



Summer Classes at Family Threads

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

How about an outing to San Juan Bautista? Family Threads has beaucoup classes this summer on any number of topics. Go to www.familythreads.org and click on the the Classes tab.



Next Workshop

Barbara Shapel

Saturday & Sunday, October 3 & 4, 2015

Thread Painting: Japanese Maple

Barbara Shapel, award winning Fiber Artist from the Pacific Northwest, is well known for creating beautiful two-sided thread painted quilts.

The Japanese Maple signifies great blessings and a peaceful retreat. Create your own peaceful Japanese Maple by stitching leaves in the colors and quantity you prefer, and improve your quilting skills at the same time.

This workshop is intended for the quilter who is reasonably comfortable with their machine quilting skills, but would like to learn tips and techniques for improvement. Students will practice a number of stitches I use all the time to add depth and dimension to my fiber art pieces. We will also discuss thread in detail, the order of quilting, using a hoop, outlining, sewing machine needles, and transferring images to fabric. We will also discuss how to make the piece two-sided

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New Exhibits at San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles

By Claudia Sammis, especials@sbcglobal.net, 831-333-9133

Found/Made

San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles' Upcoming Exhibition opened July 11 and runs through November 1, 2015. Members-only walk-through is Sunday, July 26 at 1 p.m.

Found/Made is an exploration of exchanges between quilt making and art making. Art and quilts push the boundaries of traditional quilting with repurposed fabrics, unusual materials and innovative techniques.

"These objects were represented in the vestiges of an earlier time. They enthralled and intrigued me, and I was hooked." - Roderick Kiracofe, guest curator

Recycled, Up-Cycled, Re-Purposed Clothing Design: A Slow Fashion Movement FiberSpace

July 11 – September 6, 2015 - Fast fashion, while its economic value is powerful, pollutes the environment with toxic wastes as well as mountains of discarded clothing, and fosters unsafe and unethical manufacturing practices. This exhibit illustrates an alternative to fast fashion. It showcases a collaborative collection of clothing and accessories produced locally by six California artists, using slow fashion methodologies. Come and celebrate the work of designers and artists Darcy Fowkes, Margot Silk Forrest, Destiny Carter, Jill Pillot, Angela Elsey, and Marirose Jelicich, and enjoy their unique creations.

For more information, go to www.sjqiltmuseum.org.



CQFG Sew In

By Terann Carr, Charity Quilts Coordinator, 831-375-7881
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The August Sew In will be Friday the 21st. Our activity hasn't been set yet but that information is usually sent out via e-mail the week before. If you would like to be on my e-mail list please contact me.

We meet in my home from 9:30 am till ?? Bring a lunch!
Call for directions.



Jacque Gering Visits in November

By Elizabeth Hull, dhull@gbis.com

Passionate modern quilter, designer and author of *Quilting Modern: Techniques and Projects for Improvisational Quilts*, Jacquie Gering will be our guest speaker in November. Named the Quilt Teacher of the Year for 2014, by the International Association of Creative Arts Professionals, she is a leader in the Modern Quilting Movement. Currently she is Chairman of the Board of the Modern Quilt Guild. Jacquie will be teaching her newest workshop Activating Space in Modern Quilt Design.

Jacquie is a mom to two young men, and lives with her husband and black lab, Bruno in downtown Kansas City. You can follow her on her blog, Tallgrass Prairie Studio.

TallgrassPrairieStudio.blogspot.com

County Fair

By Terann Carr, 831-375-7881 cacarrs@sbcglobal.net

The 2015 Monterey County Fair dates are September 2 – 7. More information will be available at the meetings.

It's time again to meet old friends and make new ones at the Fair. The Raffle Quilt will be on display and we will need your help selling tickets. Watch for news about volunteer sign ups.

And as always you are encouraged to enter your quilts in the Home Arts division. The entry forms are due August 5th so mark it on your calendar. Forms are available online and the entry fee is only one dollar per quilt. It is best to download a form and send it in since Pay Pal won't service such a small amount. Of course you could enter more than one! You will not get an acknowledgement but will be expected to turn in your entries on Saturday, August 22.

Check out all the information at

montereycountyfair.com

Victoria and Tiana Duart at Back Porch Fabrics

By Alexandra Burke, alex@alexandraberg.com

A Family Affair: July 5 thru August 25, 2015

In the Gallery at Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand Ave. (at Central), Pacific Grove, CA 93950. Reception for the artists is on Sunday, July 5 from 1 pm to 3 pm.

For information: 831-375-4453. backporchfabrics.com.



Designing Minds Yet Again at Back Porch Fabrics

By Alexandra Burke, alex@alexandraberg.com

Designing Minds Yet Again

By quilters of the Monterey Bay Art Quilt Group

Participating in the show are:

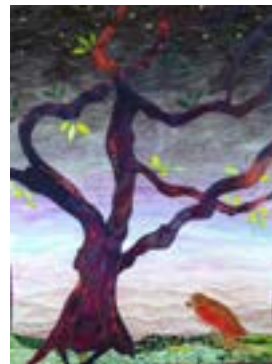
- Joan Hughes
- Gloria Hatton
- Susan Moore
- Dionys Briggs
- Mary Ellen Parsons
- Michelle Benson
- Noreen Nance
- Bonnie Tomsheck
- Janet Taillon

In the Gallery at Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand Ave. (at Central), Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

August 30 - October 28, 2015

Reception for the artists is on Sunday, August 30 from 1 pm to 3 pm.

For information: 831-375-4453. backporchfabrics.com.



Top: *Early Bird* by Janet Taillon

Bottom: *Maypole* by Noreen Nance

Calendar, Road Trips, and Local Events

By Tina Magill, magill1242@gmail.com


- **July 5 - August 25, 2015**, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, **A Family Affair**, quilts by Tiana & Victoria Duarte, Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand, Pacific Grove, CA. www.backporchfabrics.com, 831-375-4453. Reception for the artists is on Sunday, July 5, from 1 pm to 3 pm.
- **July 11 - November 1, 2015**, 10am - 4pm, **Found/Made, guest curated by Roderick Kiracofe**, San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, 520 South First St., San Jose, CA 408-971-0323. www.sjqmusem.org
- **July 11 - September 6, 2015**, 10am - 4pm, **Recycled, Up-Cycled, Re-Purposed Clothing Design: A Slow Fashion Movement**, San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, 520 South First St., San Jose, CA 408-971-0323. www.sjqmusem.org
- **September 5 - 6, 2015, Busy Bears Quilt Guild of Big Bear Lake Quilt Show**, Big Bear Middle School, 41274 Big Bear Blvd., Big Bear Lake, California www.busybearsquiltguild.com
- **September 12 - 13, 2015, Harvest of Quilts**, Elk Grove Quilt Guild, SES Portuguese Hall, 10428 East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove, CA 95624, www.elkgrovequiltguild.org
- **September 12 - November 1, 2015**, 10am - 4pm, **Transformation: Art From Within**, San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, 520 South First St., San Jose, CA 408-971-0323. www.sjqmusem.org

I've Got The Quilting Bug! challenge

Barbara Barrieau, rickbarbara@sbcglobal.net or 209-532-5478, or Alice Stoll at 831-659-3273

All of the 2015 quilt challenge packets were distributed at the March 25 meeting. As you can imagine from reading the challenge theme, each quilt must contain two or more insects and use the two batik fabrics that were included.

The deadline to complete the quilts is Monday, August 3, at the MPQG meeting so they can be exhibited at the Monterey County Fair September 2-7, 2015. A later exhibit is planned for the 2016 MPQG Quilt Show held in April.



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Board Projects

August 2015

- Meeting: Lecture with Elections Preceding
- Presentation of slate of officers in Pines & Needles and on web site 10 days prior to meeting
- Election of Board officers at General Meeting
- Announce volunteers who will serve on Supporting Committees
- Back Porch Fabrics Benefit Raffle
- Membership re-enrollment continues
- Challenge Quilts due
- Continue volunteer signups for Monterey County Fair

Other

- Approve Budget for next year beginning September 1
- MPQG Officers and Standing Coordinators Orientation
- Close Books on fiscal year ending August 30
- Display Raffle Quilt and sell tickets at the Monterey County Fair
- Display Challenge Quilts at the Monterey County Fair
- Updates and announcements to Communications the 10th of month

Board Minutes

By Nora Deans, nora.deans@gmail.com

The MPQG Secretary, Nora Deans, takes and prepares the minutes from the monthly board meetings.

These minutes are posted on the MPQG website in the members only area. Minutes through March 2015 were recently added.

Read them here:

www.mpqg.org/business/board/



Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild

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Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild Workshop Reservation			Workshop Name	Members	Non-Members*
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday & Sunday	October 3 & 4, 2015	Barbara Shapel	Japanese Maple	\$100	\$120
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday & Sunday	November 7 & 8, 2015	Jacque Gering	Activating Space in Modern Quilt Design (1 Day) & TBA (1 Day)	\$100	\$120
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For your records:	You are registered for: <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday and Sunday, October 3 & 4, Barbara Shapel <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday and Sunday, November 7 & 8, Jacque Gering				
Send to:	Make check payable to MPQG. Send to: Gail Abeloe, Attn: MPQG Workshop, 157 Grand Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950				
Questions?	Gail Abeloe at Back Porch Fabrics 831-375-4453				
Time:	Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Workshop is 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.				
Note:	Reservations are secured when payment is received. To cancel and receive a refund, cancellation must be made at least 7 days in advance.				
Supply List:	Available at general meetings, on website at www.mpqg.org/news/category/workshops/ or call Gail Abeloe at 831-375-4453				
Location:	Health and Fitness Room at the Sally Griffin Center, 700 Jewel Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950				
Food:	Plan on bringing your lunch, snacks, and beverages				
*Non-Member registration is accepted 30 days prior to the workshop					

**MPQG Membership Form
(New and Renewal Membership)**

Membership dues are due by August 31. Please renew promptly. You will be included in our Member Directory if renewed by September 30.

Annual Membership fee for new and renewing members is \$35.00*. Do not send cash through the mail. Make checks payable to MPQG.

Bring this form and check to the general meeting, or mail it to:

MPQG Membership
c/o Noreen Nance, 720 17th Street, Pacific Grove, CA 93950

Print legibly.

Name: _____

Check here if there are no changes to last year's Member Directory. If no changes, there is no need to fill in the information below.

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

**Email address: _____

Web Site: _____

**NOTE: Members receive the newsletter and e-blasts via email, so be sure to provide your email address.

I wish to receive the monthly newsletter via USPS mail.

Noreen Nance, Membership Chair
nor9215een@gmail.com, 831-915-3441

Member Directory Distribution
Check the box that applies to you

- _____ FREE if picked up at meeting between October and December
- _____ \$1.00 if Directory mailed to you. Please add \$1 to your membership fee
- _____ NO THANKS! I don't need a hard copy. I'll use <http://www.mpqg.org/directory/>

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PO Box 1025
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

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Meetings

are usually held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Many members arrive at 6:30 p.m. for an informal social time. **Please check the front page for any schedule or location change.**

Membership

New members are always welcome! Dues are \$35.00 and are due by the September general meeting in order to be listed in the current directory.

Guests

are welcome. A \$5.00 fee is charged for entry and participation. Please ask your guest to stop at the membership table.

Pines & Needles Newsletter

This newsletter is published monthly for the benefit of our members. It is available online at www.mpqg.org. Articles are due on the 15th of the prior month. Please send items to the editor via email at alex@alexandraberger.com

Pines & Needles newsletter editor Alexandra Burke reserves the right to edit all submissions for content, length, or otherwise for publication.

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