



Stitches in the Sand

January 2021

MEETING DATE: Zoom meeting in January due to COVID 19. See below

Programs

Meet our Speaker Elizabeth Eastmond

Our virtual January speaker is Elizabeth Eastmond. She is a recently retired community college English teacher who has been quilting for decades. She does pretty much everything: applique, embroidery, wool, piecing, designing, free motion quilting, English paper piecing, and modern quilting. In other words, she is probably just like a lot of us!



She has a degree in clothing and construction, and a BS and MFA in creative writing.

She will be speaking on the "Abecedary of Quilts", a series of stories about quilts, the people who quilt, and how quilting touches our lives. She will also talk about the power of quilting and the ways we are affected by, and affect others, with our creative work. Check out her website, opquilt.com, to see some of her amazing work.

Please join us as early as 6 PM on January 14th to chat with other members. The meeting will start at 7 PM. Feel free to share the Zoom link with friends who might be interested! The Zoom invitation is below. Jennifer Morgan

Join Zoom Meeting

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Upcoming Speakers:

February: Carmen Geddes

March: Susan Cleveland

April: Members Showcase

May: Janis Rivera

June: Linda Sullivan

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<https://www.facebook.com/Beach-Cities-Quilters-Guild-105189137693733>

Or Members Only Group
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/672436387018111>

BCQG's Board Meeting is held the Third Thursday of the Month via Zoom.

From the President

Here it is 2021, finally. I think we are happy to say goodbye to this last year and look forward to meeting in person again in the new year. Well not this month but you all will be the first to know when we can return to the Murray Center as soon as it's safe for all of us.

That was quite the December meeting for the 95 of you that attended thank up so much for your fun participation and continued support of our wonderful Guild. With a little help from my friends, we were able to pick the winner of the Opportunity Quilt and it was Cylene Fitzsimons and get this she lived right on my way home in Mission Viejo and I was able to stop by and make her Christmas more special for winning that beautiful quilt.

We also presented pillows that mirrored the quilt to members who sold the most tickets, Diane Collins beat us all and there was a drawing and Marilyn Hamilton and yours truly also won a pillow. One thing I missed doing was picking the winner of the Treasure Chest full of Batik fabrics. Stay tuned we will pick the winner at our January Meeting.

Even with a Pandemic we, with all your help, managed to almost reach our goal of \$10,000, so very close, I'm calling it a Win for our Guild.

We have some very special Speakers in 2021 and a Spring Event to look forward to learning and fun times.

Please continue to share the meeting link with your friends and people interested in our Guild and I'll see you soon

- Wendy Price

Membership

Reminder: It is time to renew your membership, you can renew your membership or join our Guild by sending the completed membership form (available on our website or on the final page of this newsletter) along with your \$40 check to:

Beach Cities Quilters Guild – Membership
P.O. Box 2328
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Please contact Barbara Robison if you have any questions.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PRESIDENT'S QUILT



We need your help for the President's Quilt!!!

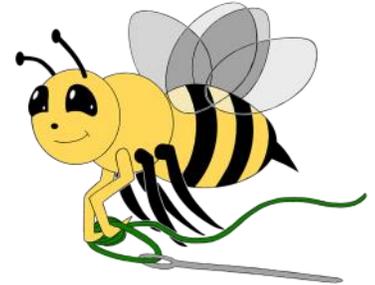
Yes, quilting the President's quilt during COVID-19 is going to present a challenge. Rather than having quilting bees with a number of people present at the same time, we are seeking two types of quilters. The first, if you and a few friends, are willing to quilt outside with the quilt in your laps for a day or two. We will provide thread, guidelines, needles, and all the "stuff" you will need including lap hoops.

We will also need quilters who would take the quilt and quilt by themselves. It could be for a few days or a few hours...your choice.

In all cases, we will make a video of how to start the thread, how to end the thread, and how to quilt which we will send to you.

We say this every year cause it's true....it doesn't matter if you are any good or not. Every president wants your stitches in their quilt.

Please email Janet Cook to sign up.



Internet

Well, the Internet team has been busy! We send a snippet email every Sunday, with tidbits of information pertinent to the upcoming week. If you have not received a snippet in the last seven days, email Liz Pickering at beachcitiesqg@gmail.com, so you can be in the know.

Our first Sew and Share zoom event in December was a huge success, we had 17 members come in to share what they were working on, and some of us even got some sewing done during the meeting! Please mark your calendars, we plan future Sew and Shares on the last Saturday of the month, from 10:00am-2:00pm. Bring your sewing, or just come to share. We will publicize the zoom links one week before each event on the BCQG Members Facebook page, and the Sunday snippet. Please contact one of us if you have questions.

One note, when attending Zoom meetings, please make sure your name is visible to others, it makes it easier to ask you a question. If you cannot figure out how to change your screen name, let us know, and we can change it for you for that meeting.

Our members only Facebook page, [BCQG Members](#) (click the link to go there) is off to a great start, thank you to those who invited members to our page. Because we are such a small group, Facebook does not put us at the top of the results list when you search for us, I have heard from a few people that it took a while to find us. If the link does not work, email us at beachcitiesqg@gmail.com, we can have one of your current Facebook friends send you an invitation!

Looking forward to 2021!

Liz Pickering

Carrie Donohoe

Jennie Fuller

Quilt Show Update

Happy New Year to all! We are so glad that 2021 is here with new hopes and possibilities just waiting for us. Speaking of new possibilities, the Spring Event committee is planning a wonderful event for Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the Norman P. Murray Center in Mission Viejo. We are keeping positive thoughts that we will be able to gather safely and celebrate our love for quilting and fiber arts. Set-up will be on Friday, May 21, 2021 during the late morning/early afternoon. Please “save the dates” on your calendar so we can make fast work of the set-up and fun being planned. You will be glad that you did.



If you are in a funk about “what should I make” to enter for the Spring Event, here are some ideas to consider:

Must Make List: What is on your “must make” list? This is a **great** time to look through your quilt patterns, magazines and books that you already own and love. Dive through the stacks for something fun and exciting to you! Make a quilt that is either throw size, a wall hanging (maybe 9 blocks instead of 12), or change the border a bit so that the quilt will fit our display thumbprint of 72” or less (in either height or width.) Please call/email me if you have any questions on the size. For instance, a Guild member has a quilt in progress that will be 72-73” and I have accepted it for the event. I cannot wait to see it!

Revisit Old Friends: Revisit a pattern that you have made and really loved. Make it again in different colors, such as bold and bright moderns vs. reds, whites and blues, or make a smaller version of it. Quilt patterns often shine with a 2-color layout which can be so much fun to make. Re-making a favorite pattern can be relaxing since you have already worked through it once and are familiar with the directions.

Stash Busters: There are lots of fun stash buster quilt patterns online that offer the chance to use the fabrics you have (including scraps) to make something wonderful and unexpected. You can also swap fabrics with friends to add more diversity to your stash. Wall hangings, throws, pillows, dolls and totes are all options for the Spring Event. Find free patterns online by searching words: quilt along (QALs), free patterns, tutorials, freebies, free quilt patterns, etc. There are more website sources than what I can list here, but some favorites include: Fat Quarter Shop, Moda blog, Sugar Bowl Crafts, Jedi Craft Girl, Riley Blake, Pat Sloan, A Quilting Life, and Martingale.

Inspiration: Podcasts are a great path to new energy and inspiration and you can enjoy them while doing other things like gardening, walking and shopping. I have caught up on the recent episodes for “A Quilting Life” while shopping at Costco and by replacing the white noise around me with talk about quilting and fabric, I stay very relaxed. There are so many podcast options! Check out The Bake Feed’s episodes which are all about baking and Deanne Fitzpatrick’s (Hooking Rugs) “Create Beauty Everyday” podcast on the free Sound Cloud app. She has such talented people from all walks of life that have integrated art into their life in many ways.

The Spring Event Committee hopes that these ideas get your creativity flowing to either help you finish or to kick-start your entry for the Spring Event. Hope to see everyone soon.

Sincerely,
Keri Follmer
Spring Event Chair
kfollmer4@gmail.com / 949-285-8448

Philanthropy Report

This month we donated 115 quilts - 65 adult quilts & 50 children quilts.

In addition, we donated 143 pillowcases & 12 blankets. 20 NICU blankets were donated to the Saddleback Hospital.

Our newest project to ALS patients. ALS affects more men than women. The ratio is about 70% men, 30% women. Most of the patients are in wheelchairs, so the smaller lap size quilts are best for them. Quilts around 46x46" are perfect.

Our next drive through will be January 15th 10am-12pm at Mary Matura home. An email reminder will be sent out a week prior to the event. If you need projects before the drive through, contact Nancy Myers at 949-500-3306 (cell) or email at Nancy.myers1955@me.com

Happy quilting,
Nancy & Pa

ZOOM SHOW AND TELL...

If you finished any last-minute gifts or holiday decorations, please feel free to share in January—we always want to see what members have created. Many of you continue to be productive during these times and we would love to see it. If possible, please include yourself in your photo---it is always wonderful to put a name and face together. All of us long to see another. If you don't want to, no problem. Please email all photos to Elaine Pappas-Puckett by **Wednesday, January 6th**.

Monthly Mini

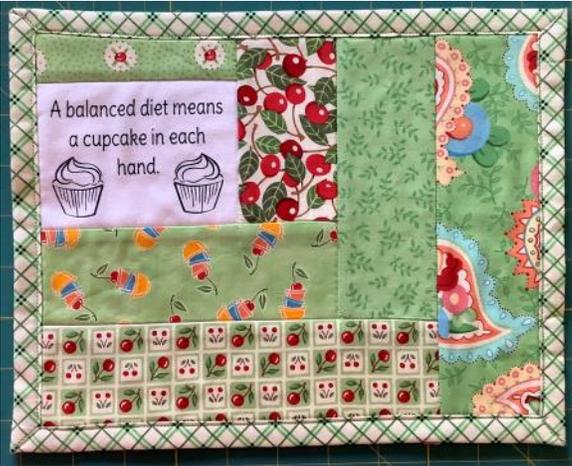
I'm looking forward to being the Monthly Mini Chair, but this year has not been "normal", and we simply don't know when we will be able to meet in person again; however, we need to stay optimistic and be prepared for when we are free to be out and about doing all the things we love, including being together with our friends and family.

To make the Monthly Mini Committee successful, we need donations of mini quilts (one quilt is needed for each monthly meeting). If you are able to donate/make a mini quilt, please call or email me so that I can add your name to the list for any month you choose. We don't need the quilt right away as we have 3 quilts donated by Kathy Stolhand, Julie Greenspan, and Deb Komatsu (thank you ladies) that we can use for the first three months when we go back to having meetings; however, at least 7 more quilts will be needed at some point. If, for some reason, we meet fewer months than are currently planned, then we'll save the quilts for next year.

My contact information: Lupe Maher, Monthly Mini Chair, Cell: 949-510-1766,

E-mail: Lupe.Maher@RMPCorp.com.

Show and Tell



Sharon Loftus - After making a large quilt for the COVID-19 Challenge I was ready for something small and quick. The pattern is a June Taylor quilt-as-you-go mug mat.

Patricia Pardoen
St. Nick greeter at entry into my home. Pattern is from Laura Heine at Fiberworks.



Mary Kay Fitzpatrick—As a newlywed, I now have two grand nieces and three grand nephews (ages 3-9)... so they are getting quilts for Christmas. Here are the quilts I have made for them.



More Show and Tell



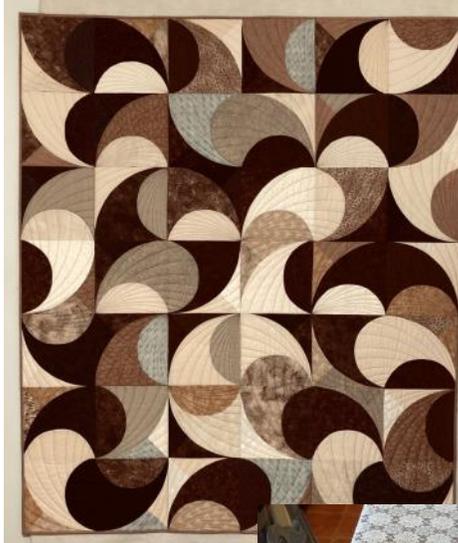
Jan Hirth
Halloween Spellbound weekly
block in wool and cotton.

Finished the circular quilt from
Sandy Klop guild workshop.



Patrice Lambourne

I've been sewing like crazy,
mainly Christmas gifts.
I posted Curves Ahead on
the BCQG member FB page,
but I'll show it here for the
people who aren't on FB.
And after the clamshells
this summer and the
curves in this one, I needed
something with no bias
edges. Haha!



a couple of detail
images of Curves
Ahead plus my
"signature" backing
with the "zipper."



I did indeed get the binding on another of these
Christmas table runners!



Fractured 4
Patch



More Show and Tell



Candy Crain
Made for my roommate's grandson's 1st Christmas



Jeanette Floyd
The fabric is from Frond Designs and the pattern is called Echo Echo from Purple Pineapple Studios. Still need to add the fabric to the sides, top and bottom. Will do a geometric walking foot quilt design when I take Jacqui Gehring's class next year.

Wendy Price

This is a quilt that was an Orange Quilt Bee shop model that was for sale and I said it's mine cause I would never make it myself I love it!



Deb Komatsu

I took an online class with the Embroiders' Guild of America in October. As you can see it was a crazy quilt class and when I finished I had to do something with the block so I made it into a purse. I am very proud of my bird, that was my first attempt at thread painting and I think it turned out well.

The blue tote bag is a Pink Sand Beach pattern, the Key West Handbag. I cut out 4 purses last spring and this was the last one to be completed. I really like Pink Sand Beach purse patterns. They are fun to do. The step-by-step process is very clear and with photographs. Now if I only had somewhere to go with a purse.....



Sunshine and Shadows



Sunshine

A cute story from Karen Bean. Karen had made and quilted two bargello quilts for her neighbors girls. Genesis is 5 and it didn't take long for her to see the fairies, owls, snails and flowers on the front, but when she spotted the pink square on the back with her name, well it was heaven! Little Samantha, not quite 3, was just starting to look at the fabric and immediately turned hers over. She was having a bit of trouble, got frustrated and started to cry because she didn't think hers had her name on it. Mom helped her find the label and read it to her. You would have thought it was Christmas morning. These two little girls love their labels which just happen to be attached to quilts I made them. From Karen Bean, thanks for sharing such a sweet story!

Shadows

Thank you Janet Cowart for this information. Daniela Stout is the owner of Cozy Creative Center in El Cajon, I'm sure many of you have been to her store and purchased online from Cozy Quilt Shop. Daniela was a speaker at our guild many years ago. Daniela has recently shared that she has Ovarian Cancer Stage 3. Reading her newsletter is very inspiring, she is a fighter and is sure she'll beat this cancer. Please go to the website CozycreativeCenter.com and click the link at the top to her newsletter to read her story. We have sent a card and I'm sure she would appreciate our prayers. The address to the shop is: 756 Jamacha Road El Cajon CA 92019

The only source for gathering information is through you. Please do not hesitate to let me know. Don't think that someone else will do it. It is better to get 20 messages than not hear at all.

If you have something you would like to be included in this column, please contact me. Please include your name and contact information, and if about someone else, their name and contact information for verification.

Thank you.
Janice Trumbauer
krafter@cox.net

Teddy Bears on Parade

Interested in helping to sew teddy bear is gaining enthusiasm. These bears are being donated to both philanthropy and some, we hope, will be sold at our Quilt Show in May.

Thank you to the members helping in their construction and I hope to have more available at our next drive through in January. I will have kits available then.

For those of you who have been working feverously sewing together quilts may find a change in making a bear. They are simple to make and satisfying once they have been sewn together.

If you are interested in joining the Teddy Bears on Parade friendship group, please email me.

Thank you to all of our volunteers and remember "The Sew Must Go on."



Things to Do



February 2021 South Bay Quilters Guild 2021 Virtual Quilt Show "Welcome to our Home" on February 13 -14, 2021. Opportunity quilt "Quilters Village" drawing Feb 14th at 4pm on zoom. In the works: Quilt Exhibits - Featured quilter Pat Bryan and our talented members, quilts for sale after Nov. 1st, opportunity quilt tickets on sale thru Feb 1st, and vendor mall. Check our website for more information at: <http://qs.southbayquiltersguild.org>

Workshops

**Until further notice we are planning on having online workshops.
We will let everyone know if we are able to meet in person.**

JANUARY: Elizabeth Eastmond will be doing a virtual workshop called **Criss Cross**. This workshop is full, but check with Kathy Hutchins if you would like to be on the waiting list in case there is a last minute cancellation.



For those in the workshop, this is the schedule for Saturday:

Saturday, January 16, 2021

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Class time

11:00 AM– 1:00 PM – Sew on your own, have lunch, review the videos, download the handouts.

1:00 – 2:30 PM Instruction that focuses on quilting ideas and questions.

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM – **SEW TOGETHER AS A GROUP ON ZOOM.** YES, friends, we will get to visit while on zoom. Elizabeth has indicated that the other guilds where she has taught via Zoom really enjoyed this part too.

PLEASE NOTE: This workshop starts at 9:00 am.



There will also be a one hour follow-up Zoom meeting afterwards. Time=TBD

PLEASE CHECK IN EARLY SO WE CAN START ON TIME!!!!

CLASS FEE HAS BEEN REDUCED TO \$25!

Email Kathy Hutchins to sign up. Cost is \$25.
Contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin if you have questions.

FEBRUARY: We are planning on a virtual workshop.

Carmen Geddes has a great story and tells it on her website, tensisters.com. From the name of her website you may have guessed that Carmen comes from a big family. Carmen will be bringing us her unique technique for piecing quilts that look complicated, but her technique makes it very easy and very precise.

We have two different classes to choose from for February. The **SPOOL** class is a half day introduction into Carmen's technique and it will make this adorable wall hanging for your sewing room or for a great gift. Since it is a half day class the fee for the class is only \$25. There is a small materials fee which includes the pattern and instructions, as well as a product that Carmen uses to make her quilts come together perfectly. Materials fee is \$10 for

this class. **This workshop is scheduled for Friday, February 12, 2021. Friday's class will be from 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM.**

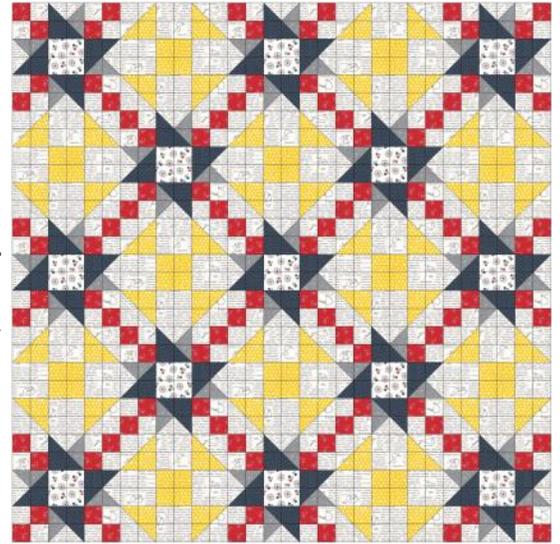
Email Kathy Hutchins to sign up. Cost is \$25.
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The other offering in February is **PRETTY PATCHWORK**. This wonderful pattern makes a 60" x 60" quilt. This class costs \$50 with an additional \$30 materials fee, which includes the pattern and instructions as well as the product to produce the perfect patchwork. Your family and friends will think you are an expert piecer after this workshop. **This workshop is scheduled for Saturday, February 13, 2021. Saturday's workshop will be from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM with a break for lunch and then the workshop will begin again at 1:00 PM and end at 4:00 PM.**

Email Kathy Hutchins to sign up. Cost is \$50.
Contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin if you have questions.



MARCH: We are excited to announce that **Susan K. Cleveland** from www.piecesbewithyou.com will be our March speaker and teacher. Susan is a quilt designer, author, teacher, and inventor. You will love her quilts, the design, colors and precision and she will be sharing all of her techniques with us.
PRECISION & PANACHE: This is our workshop if it is Zoom. This class is packed full of tips and tricks that Susan utilizes in this eye-catching quilt. Details galore, including fancy prairie points, embellishing, piping and hints with helpful tools and lots of quilts will be displayed showcasing these fantastic techniques.. **This workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 13, 2021. Saturday's class will be from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM.**

Email Kathy Hutchins to sign up. Cost is \$25.
Contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin if you have questions.

WHY DO VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS COST THE SAME AS IN PERSON WORKSHOPS?

The workshop costs the same or more. Workshop fees have never paid for the cost of the workshop. The fees we collect are a contribution to the speaker's charge for the workshop. If workshops are full, they will usually cover the cost of the speaker, but not always. The Guild will save on travel, hotel, meals, and custodian with virtual workshops. While we will miss the fellowship of being together, we can still learn as much and make a virtual friend or two.

Workshops

GENERAL WORKSHOP INFORMATION

If not online, our workshops are held at Community Presbyterian Church, 32202 Del Obispo Street, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Please arrive at least 15 minutes early to set up your work space. After the workshop chair helps the speaker and sets up the classroom, she will be happy to help you if you need assistance. Remember to bring your lunch/drink/snack. You won't want to spend time buying a lunch since the lunch break is limited. Fees are usually \$50 but can be more when the speaker is bringing supplies. All fees are noted in the newsletter. **Do not bring irons even if it is on the speaker's supply list.** The Guild will provide all irons. You may cancel and receive a refund if you let the workshop chair know by email 45 days before the workshop. After that time, you can only be refunded if there is a waiting list. We will wait until a check is received from your replacement before a refund request is made.

As soon as you see the announcement in the newsletter (usually 3 months before the workshop) you may sign up for the workshop by emailing Kathy Hutchins.

If you have any questions, please contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin.

Upcoming Speakers - Beach Cities Quilters

January 2021	Elizabeth Eastmond	opquilt.com
February 2021	Carmen Geddes	tensisters.com
March 2021	Susan Cleveland	piecesbewithyou.com
April 2021	Member Showcase	
May 2021	Janis Rivera - Collage Quilting	
June 2021	Linda and Carl Sullivan	colourwerx.com
July 2021	Timna Tarr	timnatarr.com

Block of the Month

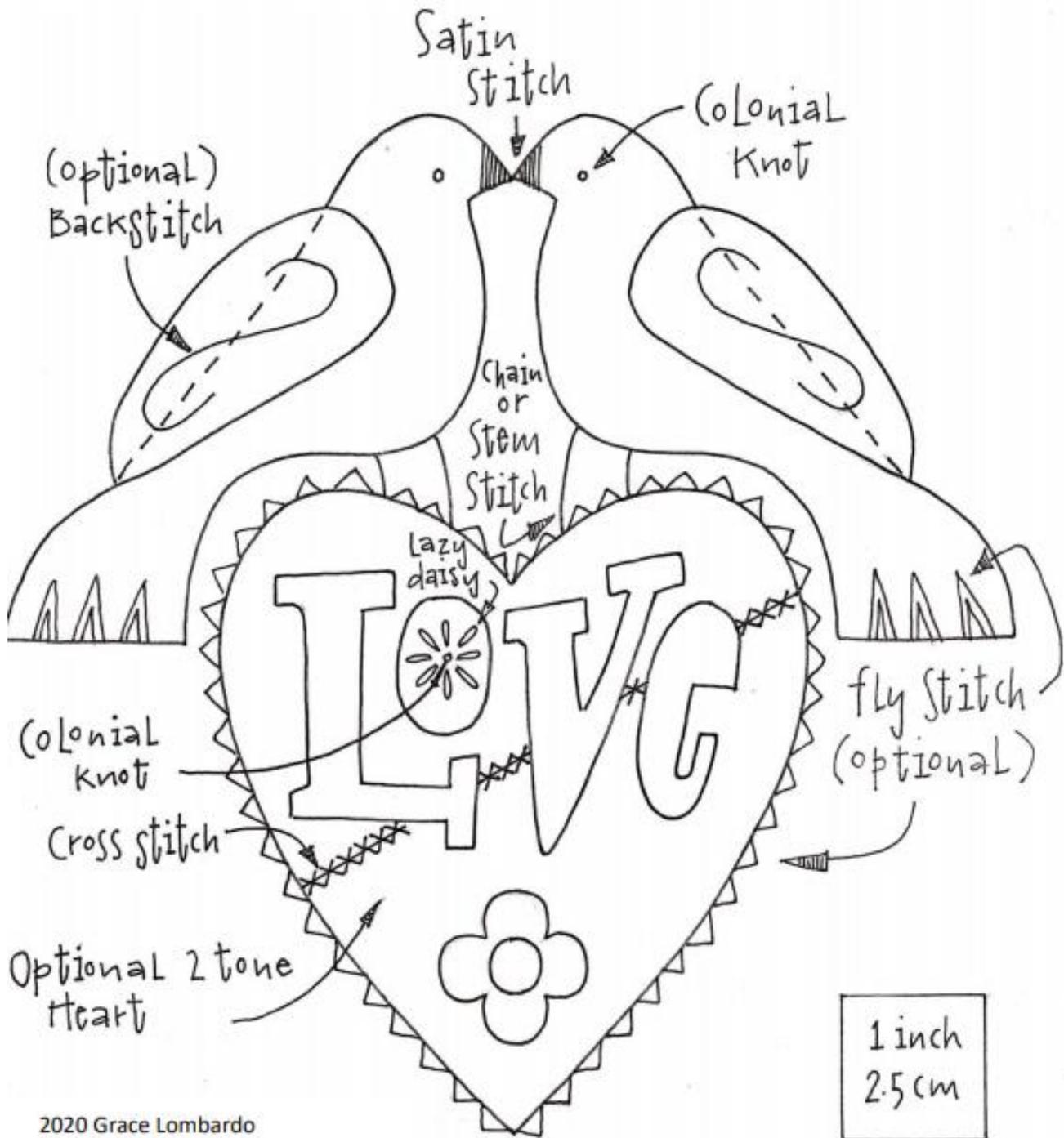


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BIRDS OF A FEATHER BOM

BLOCK #2 – LAYOUT

ACTUAL SIZE



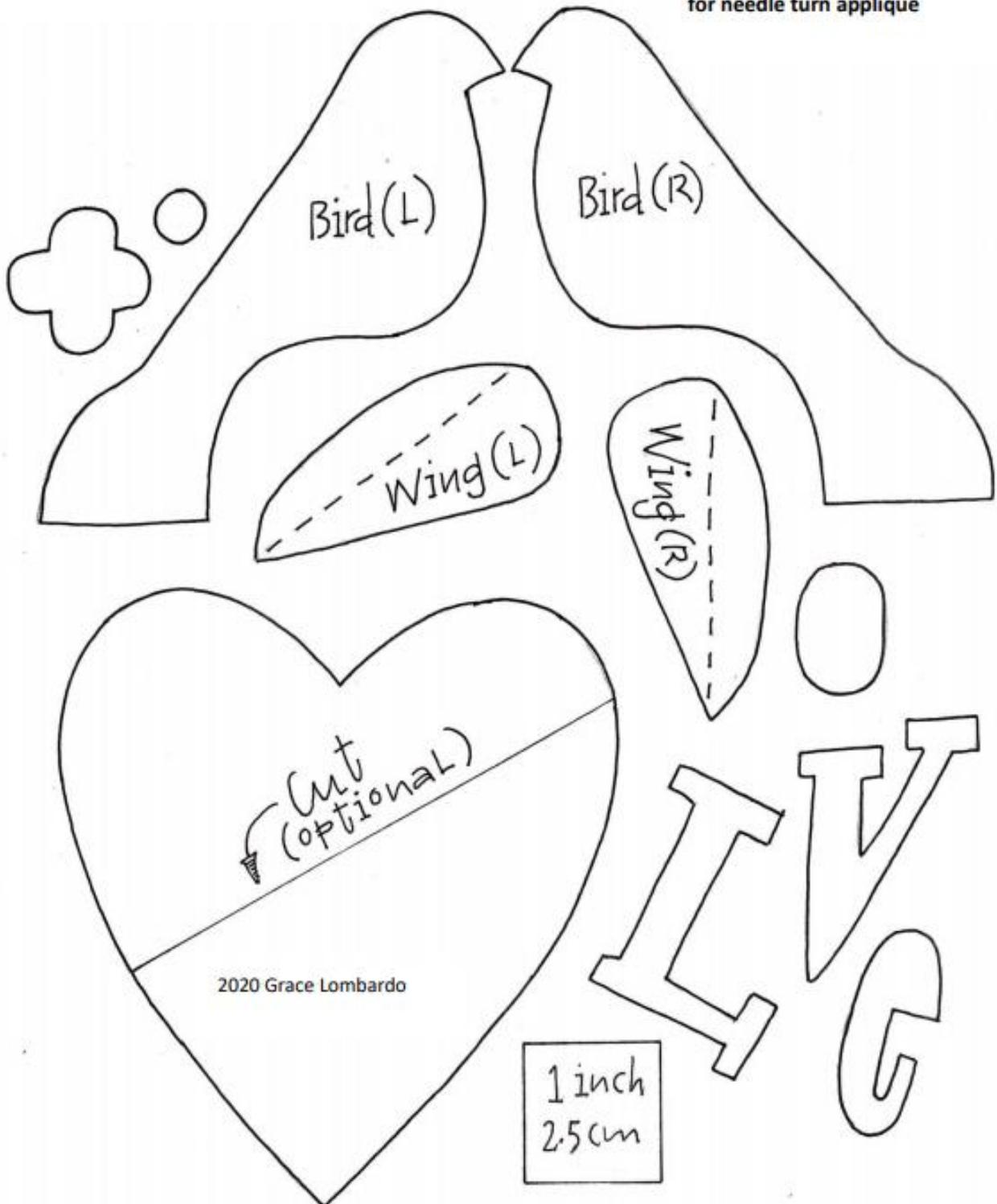
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BIRDS OF A FEATHER BOM

BLOCK #2 - PATTERN

Reverse images for use with fusible web

Add a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance for needle turn applique





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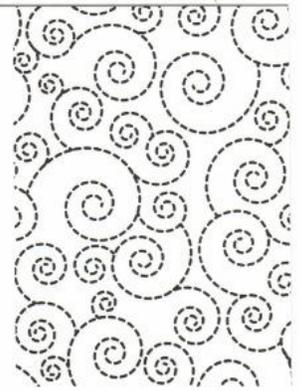
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BEACH CITIES QUILTERS GUILD MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

The information you provide will be used in the Beach Cities Guild directory. A completed membership application must be submitted no later than the December general meeting to be included in the directory for the current membership year. The directory is distributed to guild members and is not made available to other sources.

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- Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Norman P. Murray Center, 24932 Veteran's Way, Mission Viejo.
- Social time begins at 6:30 pm with the General Meeting & Program from 7:00 pm to approximately 9:00 pm.
- Dues are payable prior to the start of each membership year, annually from October 1 through September 30.
- Please bring this completed form and your dues (check payable to BCQG) to the Membership Table at the General meeting or mail it to:

Beach Cities Quilters Guild - Membership
P.O. Box 2328
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