



Stitches in the Sand

August 2026

MEETING DATE: July 9th at the Norman P. Murray Center and Zoom at 7:00pm.

Programs

Meet our Speaker: **Veruschka Zarate!**

Veruschka Zarate, of Pride & Joy Quilting, is an Accomplished Award-Winning Quilt Maker and Pattern Designer, specializing in the technique of Foundation Paper Piecing.

She is a BERNINA and Handi Quilter Ambassador and recently released a New Thread Collection with WonderFil Specialty Threads.

She has been Faculty and Judge for many Quilt Shows and Conventions such as: The Modern Quilt Guild's QuiltCon, Road to California Quilt Show, Empty Spools Seminar, The French International Thread Arts Convention, BERNINA Academy in Australia and New Zealand's Quilt Symposium to name a few.

Her Quilts have received several awards, including: Best of Show QuiltCon 2025, The National Association of Certified Quilt Judge's Award of Merit for Outstanding Achievement in Quiltmaking, QuiltCon's First Place in Piecing, and Quiltcon's Peoples Choice.

Veruschka has been featured in numerous Magazines and Podcasts such as, *Art Quilting Studio Magazine*, *American Patchwork* and *Quilting, Curated Quilts, Quilting Love Magazine, Fons & Porters & McCall's Quilt & Tell*.

She currently presents to Quilting Guilds Around the world and offering Live and Virtual workshops to Quilt Guilds on Foundation Paper Piecing.

A California girl through and through, Veruschka began learning traditional piecing and quilting techniques in 2016. After falling in love with the technique of Foundation Paper Piecing, Veruschka set out to create her own designs focused on subjects that inspire joy, vibrancy, empowerment and encouragement.

Her greatest achievement, however, has been mothering and raising her two young boys alongside her husband, of over 20 years.

If you would like to join us for dinner with the speaker before the guild meeting, RSVP with Norah at (949) 636-2790 no later than Wednesday. Dinner will be at the California Pizza Kitchen on Marguerite Parkway at 4:45 pm.



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

Don't forget to wear your name tag at the meeting!

Need to speak to a board member—Email beachcitiesqg@gmail.com

From the President

August isn't quite the dog days of summer... but it almost is. When the temperatures close in on triple digits, I don't feel much like working on a quilt. But that doesn't mean I don't have fun working on new patterns and making blocks that might one day become a quilt or possibly be headed for Sharon Farley's orphanage.

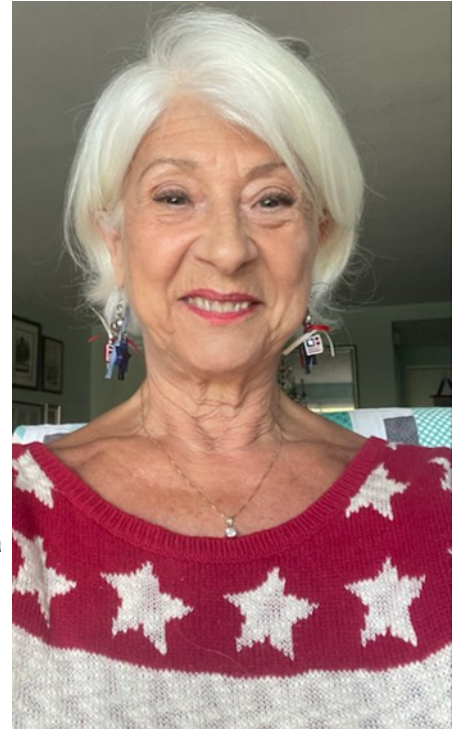
I hope you've had a chance to check out the quilt exhibit at the Bowers Museum. If not, please mark August 16th on your calendar because we'll be there along with other Orange County Guilds and Laurel Hathaway has been hard at work preparing interactive elements for visitors to see how much fun it can be to join a guild.

This month's meeting features award winning quilter Verushka Zerate. Her workshop has been sold out for quite some time, so you won't want to miss hearing her speak on Thursday.

Looking ahead to our September meeting, it's very important that we have a quorum for that meeting, because we'll be presenting the new Board and our annual budget, so please plan on attending.

Stay cool,

Laura Chambers
2025-26 President



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BCQG 26-27 Budget

The budget for the 26-27 fiscal year (October 1—Sept 30) is presented below and will be voted on by the members at the September 13th guild meeting. A quorum is required to pass the budget. Please attend. Email Margaret Gordon at BCQ.trea@gmail.com with any questions.

	2026-27 Budget	26-27 Account Detail
INCOME		
2027 Tea and Tour	-	
Advertising	1,000.00	
Donations Inc.		
Membership 270 @ \$40	10,800.00	
Monthly Mini Income	750.00	
Philanthropy Income	-	
Ways & Means	2,500.00	
Welcoming - Income	200.00	
Workshops - Income	5,000.00	
Subtotal Revenues	20,250.00	
Expenses		
Advertising Expense	400.00	
Block Party	200.00	
Donations Expense	1,200.00	
Door Prizes	25.00	
Facilities	13,584.00	
NPM \$552/mo 25-26		6,624.00
U-Haul \$580/mo		6,960.00
Friendship Circle	-	
Hospitality Expense	150.00	
Internet Expense	1,770.00	
Like Sew \$335/quarter		1,340.00
Constant Contact		200.00
GoDaddy .com		30.00
Zoom		200.00
Membership Expense	1,700.00	
Roster		1,700.00
Monthly Mini Expense	50.00	
Operations	1,475.00	
Mailbox		275.00
NPM Certificate of Insurance		20.00
Raffle Renewal		30.00
DOJ RRF-1		50.00
Taxes		1,000.00
Check Stock		100.00
Parliamentarian	-	
Past President	200.00	
Golden Thimble		200.00
Processing Fee for Credit Cards	600.00	
Philanthropy	7,000.00	
President Expenses	100.00	
President Quilt	550.00	
Programs	15,200.00	
SCCQG - INSURANCE	1,820.00	
\$6/member 295 members		1,770.00
\$50 Guild Fee		50.00
Secretary Expenses	-	
Show & Tell	25.00	
Special Event 2028 Quilt Show	-	
Treasurer's Expense	3 150.00	
Quicken Subscription		75.00
Supplies		75.00
Ways & Means Expense	600.00	
Welcoming New Member Tea	200.00	
Welcoming Expense	25.00	
Workshops	9,095.00	
NPM Workshop Room		2,445.00
Lecturer fees		6,650.00
Grant Usage	8,000.00	
Philanthropy		3,000.00
Non-recurring expenses		5,000.00
Subtotal Expenses	64,199.00	
Net Income - Net Expense	(43,949.00)	

July Meeting Photos

Val Hutchins



Mary Kaye Fitzpatrick

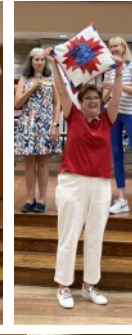


July Meeting Photos

Patrice Lambourne



No Rules Challenge



Philanthropy News

Thank you to all who donated quilts and pillow cases at sew day and the guild meeting. Your talent and generosity are amazing and so appreciated! There were 55 quilts donated this past month that went to CHOC, Person in need, Dana West Yacht (for Marines), Laguna Beach Boys and Girls club, Silverado Memory Care, United Cerebral Palsy, Vets in Hospice and UCI Oncology. 20 pillow cases and 39 other items including Fleece Wraps, table toppers, placemats and NICU blankets.

Our next sew day is on Monday, **August 3**. We meet at Presbyterian Church of the Master, 26051 Marguerite Pkwy, Mission Viejo. (corner of Marguerite and Oso - park in lot closest to Oso) We set up at 9:00 to start around 10:00. There is a great show and tell at 11:00 and we usually start clean up around 2:30. Help is always appreciated for set up and clean up.

We have kits for quilts, NICU blankets and pillow cases to work on. Batting is provided for quilts donated to philanthropy. Irons, ironing boards, mats and cutting supplies are available.

Ways and Means

FABRIC SALE, AUGUST MEETING

"BCQG PRIME DAY"

HUGE DISCOUNTS

Fabric will be 1/2 Price (except wool and kits).

What should I make with my new stash?

Think Halloween, Holiday, Tea and Tour Challenge,
2028 Quilt Show Boutique

Bring Your Friends!

Membership

The Guild's year runs from October 1 - September 30. We will start collecting dues for the upcoming 2026-27 year on September 1. As usual, the membership forms and payment can be submitted at the Guild meeting, on the Guild website, by mailing to the Guild PO Box. Complete details will be in the September newsletter.

Workshops

AUGUST WORKSHOP

Veruschka Zarate's "Capturing Memories" Workshop

Date: August 14, 2026

Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm (doors open at 9:30 am)

Location: Murray Center, Juniper Room

Explore the art of storytelling through fabric in this immersive landscape quilt workshop, where Foundation Paper Piecing (FPP) takes center stage.

This class guides students through every essential element of creating a high-detail quilt—from managing bold, large-scale sections to precision-driven micro piecing—all while working within the thoughtful constraints of a limited color palette. You'll learn how to balance color value, simplify complex forms into angular templates, and achieve clarity and depth using minimal hues.

Whether you're navigating sweeping skies or intricate architectural elements, this class equips you with the technical tools and creative strategies needed to bring expressive, layered landscapes to life through paper piecing.

This Workshop focuses on One of the Landscapes blocks within this series.

The California Coast pattern is \$20; finished quilt is 27 X 27

Registration is open. Email Janet Crothers (crothers10@hotmail.com) to register or register online.

Workshop fee is \$35 for members. Non-members are welcome to register via email as of July 14 and the fee is \$35. [Use this link to sign up online](#)



SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP

Panel Palooza with [Cindi McChesney of Cedar Ridge Quilting](#)

Date: September 11, 2026

Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm (doors open at 9:30 am)

Location: Murray Center, Juniper Room

In this six hour workshop, quilters will take that panel they fell in love with and turn it into something truly unique. We'll discuss how to square up your panel segments, add interesting block treatments and borders and we'll cover the basics of graphing, adding coping strips and more, all guaranteed to make your panel project a success. There will be an overview of other techniques to create a beautiful project and time to begin designing your quilt! This is a process class with no sewing involved. Each participant is required to purchase a book for the class: Fun with Panels or Playful Panel Quilts (C&T Publishing, \$25). Instructor will bring books and patterns for purchase.

Registration is open. Email Janet Crothers (crothers10@hotmail.com) to register or register online.

Workshop fee is \$35 for members. Non-members are welcome to register via email as of August 13 and the fee is \$35.

[Use this link to sign up online](#)



Block Party

Block Party 2026

Pattern: <https://windhamfabrics.com/search?options%5Bprefix%5D=last&q=Welcome+Home>

Project ends. October 2026

Quilt parade: January guild meeting 2027

Stop by table at guild and see a couple of finished quilts

This is a very easy pattern.

You can make it anytime. Guild would love to see your creativity in January's parade.

Orphan blocks Oct 2025-26

This month I've made 20 tops. As of this writing, they are not quilted yet!

This project has contributed to philanthropy quilts, table runners, place mats, jackets, vests, advent calendars.

Totaling 145 items in 9 months.

So.... Your donations are moving along.

Good News - orphan projects/ blocks will continue for 2026-27. YAY...

I look forward to helping you declutter, honoring the makers and supporting philanthropy.

Sharon Farley

714-376-5072



Monthly Mini



Congratulations to Patricia Pardo, the lucky winner of our July Monthly Mini Raffle!

Patricia took home a festive hand-appliquéd felt wall hanging, beautifully handcrafted by Marian Mapes.

A heartfelt thank you to Marian for creating and donating this charming decoration. We truly appreciate your time, talent, and generosity in supporting our guild.

August Monthly Mini Raffle

We're excited to announce this month's raffle prize—a darling table centerpiece handcrafted by Deb Komatsu! This adorable small quilt is sure to add a sweet touch to your kitchen or dining table or could even become a treasured doll blanket for a special grandchild. Raffle tickets will be available at the meeting:

1 ticket — \$1

6 tickets — \$5

13 tickets — \$10

Be sure to purchase your tickets for a chance to win this delightful handmade creation while supporting our guild. Good luck to everyone!



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Show and Tell from July



1—Jill Donaldson

6—Gail Golley

2—Becky McDaniel

7—Jean Petersen

3—Barbara McFarland

8—Jean Petersen

4—Teresa Obleas

9—Jean Petersen

5—Holly Batterman

The American Quilt: Cloth and Commerce



Sagebrush Quilters

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July 31st, August 1st & 2nd, 2026
Friday and Saturday 9 to 5
Sunday 9 to 3
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Admission \$3.00
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OPPORTUNITY QUILT

This quilt, a "Dear Jane" quilt, was showcased at the 2016 AQG Qilt Show in Paducah, Kentucky. One attendee described it as "perfectly done!"

Jane A. Stickle patterned the original quilt in 1863 using fabric sample swatches from her local country store. HQQG member, Linda Anderson, pieced, quilted, and donated this quilt to the HQQG.

Each block in this quilt was hand appliqued.
 The quilt measures 80 inches by 80 inches.

The winner of the quilt will be announced after the prize drawings beginning at 3:30 pm on Sunday, March 14th.
 The winner does not need to be present.

Tickets are priced at \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.

For more information call Roxann Gibbs (760)301-2345

DESERT EMPIRE FAIRGROUNDS
 520 South Richmond Road
 Ridgecrest, California

MARCH 13-14, 2027

Saturday 10 am - 5 pm
 Sunday 10 am - 4pm
 Admission \$7.00

Orange Grove Quilters Guild

2026 QUILT SHOW:

Stars, Stripes & Stitches
1776-2026

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VENDORS
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BOUTIQUE
FOOD AND GAMES

Saturday,
September 19, 2026
9 am to 4 pm

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Tickets are \$10 at the door
Info at:
Orangegrovequiltersguild.org

More Things to Do

Quilted Treasures

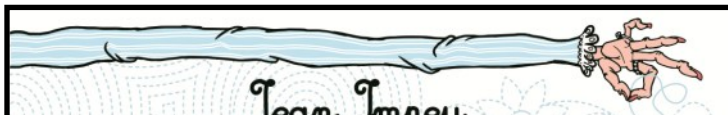
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Saturday September 26, 2026
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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The rest? Mostly me staring at it, whispering "you're too powerful for me," and "It isn't you, it's me!"

Comes with the Cutie 50-inch tabletop frame and all the original accessories.

Machine is in excellent condition (because it barely got used—shocker).

Basically new, barely broken in, and already tired of my drama.

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Time to Volunteer



BCQG VOLUNTEER SURVEY

Our Guild has been successful because of the time, energy, and generosity of its volunteers. Please take a few moments to review the descriptions of the various Board positions, printed in the Bylaws section of your BCQG Roster. These are just a few of the many ways you can become involved and get to know other members. Please include your name to indicate your interest or submit recommendations for the following offices and committees. Please return your completed survey or send me an email with your interests by July 20th. Please call or send an email if you have any questions. Marian Mapes, Parliamentarian, mmapes1231@aol.com or my number is in the roster. Thank you!

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3 rd Vice President – Facilities	_____
Secretary	_____
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Advertising	_____	_____
Block Party	_____	_____
Door Prizes	_____	_____
Friendship Circles	_____	_____
Hospitality	_____	_____
Internet	_____	_____
Monthly Mini	_____	_____
Newsletter	_____	_____
Philanthropy	_____	_____
Show & Tell	_____	_____
SCCQG Representative	_____	_____
Quilt Show 2028	_____	_____
Spring Tea and Tour	_____	_____
Ways and Means	_____	_____
Welcoming	_____	_____
Workshops	_____	_____

Membership Form



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.

Name			☐ \$40 New Member ☐ \$40 Renewal Membership # _____ ☐ Check # _____ ☐ Cash Date _____
☐ <i>If you are renewing your membership, please review your information in the last directory. Include any needed changes below or check the box to indicate that your information is current.</i>			
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City	State	Zip	
E-Mail Address			
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Cell Phone#		Birthday Month _____ Day _____	
Emergency Contact (if desired)		Emergency Contact Phone Number	

☐ Check Box to indicate that Beach Cities Quilters' Guild has permission to use your photo in hard copy and on-line publications. (for Example use of Show & Tell picture in the newsletter)

- BCQG is a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to provide a creative atmosphere, to share knowledge of methods and techniques, and to encourage each member's growth and talent in the field of quilt making and related subjects.
- 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
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☐ Check Box to indicate that you have questions and/or would like to be put in contact with other guild members.