



Come meet Karen Walker, owner of Laugh Yourself into Stitches!
Longarmer, Pattern Designer and Fabric Designer for Riley Blake Designs.

Karen has been published in Simply Vintage Magazine, Simply Moderne as well as Quiltmania. One of her quilts was the featured cover for Keepsake Quilting catalog in the Fall of 2018. Recently, Quiltfolk Magazine highlighted Karen in an email expose. In January 2024 her first fabric line called 'Huckleberry Saltbox' for Riley Blake Designs was released and her second fabric collection, 'Sewing Your Oats' arrived in shops December 2024. Her newest collection is a batik called Farm to Table. You'll also find Karen on the road with the Magic Quilting and Crafting Spray team (a Faultless product) promoting one of her most favorite quilting essential!

Karen loves to share her specialty she calls 'Piecing Tiny Pieces'. Sounds intimidating? Not at all! Karen will share her love of piecing perfection... wait? What?... Perfection? No, Karen really is not at all about perfection, but she is all about sharing her love of piecing and helping others enhance their piecing confidence through many skill building tips and techniques.

Not only is this a great lecture for beginning quilters, but a wonderfully informative refresher for seasoned quilters.

Karen will bring her personal quilts showcasing her original pattern designs.
Through her trunk show of quilts she will share with us:

- *The Importance of Preparing Fabric Before it is Cut
- *Never Underestimate a New Needle...or Rotary Blade
- *How to Read a Pattern
- *How to Square Up a Unit so it Sews Nicely to Another when Building a Block.
- * Trimming Corner Triangles for Accuracy
- * Finger Pressing Tip
- *When and Where to Pin
- * Squaring up Strip Piecing
- *Size Up, Trim Down
- *Stitch from the Backside // Exposing Intersecting seams
- *Nestled Seams, Pressing Seams Open or to One Side?
- *The Fudge Factor if All Else Fails
- * Color and Design

Karen is all about Sharing the Journey and the JOY of Creating!