



Handi Quilter

NATIONAL EDUCATOR



KAREN WOOLLEY

Karen has been quilting for over 30 years. She started quilting her quilts by hand but soon became proficient at quilting on a stationary sewing machine. She enjoyed learning different quilting styles and techniques from the various books she borrowed from her local library as well as from a group of local quilters. She was welcomed into a small group of experienced quilters who met at a local quilt store. These women have given Karen inspiration and encouragement throughout her quilting journey.

She discovered Handi Quilter longarm quilting machines at a quilt show and soon she was hooked on longarm quilting. She started to quilt for others and soon started her own longarm quilting business. She enjoys combining free motion quilting and ruler work with Pro-Stitcher® designs.

Karen finds that teaching students machine quilting builds confidence and develops artistic skills her students did not know they possessed. She is looking forward to reaching a wider audience of students through the Handi Quilter Educator Program and increasing the number confident and artistic quilters.

Karen's two passions are quilting and traveling. She combines the two by visiting a quilt store in every town, city, or country she visits. She gets inspired by talking to and interacting with the local quilters about their quilting projects.

When Karen is not quilting, she and her husband enjoy exploring sandy beaches and hiking trails near her home in Saint James, New York.