AVQA News

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April Lecture and Workshop by Cara Gulati

Cara Gulati has spent her life around fabric. She has sold fabric and clothes, designed them both and ended up with her own company as a designer and manufacturer of children's wear. Doodle Press is Cara's publishing company. She designs fun and artistic quilts that are unique. Her patterns and book can be found in quilt stores around the world and on her web site at www.doodlepress.com.

Fiber art and quilting in particular grabbed her heart and led her to things of a flatter nature. Cara makes very large art quilts and is currently working on a series called 3-D Explosion. She has written a book and teaches workshops on this design and sewing technique. One quilt in the series, "3-D Party Explosion" won Viewer's Choice at the Houston International Quilt Festival in 2003.

After getting tired of throwing large quilts around to actually quilt them on a mid-arm machine, Cara purchased an A-1 Quilting Machine. She began learning the ways of a long arm machine where the machine is on roller coaster wheels and the quilt is mounted on to rollers on a table. She learned to be the "Pen" while quilting instead of the "Paper". She liked it so much, that she accepted the sales rep position for the state of California.

Her teaching career has taken her to Abu Dhabi in the UAE as well as Australia. She has exhibited her work internationally. She has appeared on *Simple Quilts* and *Kaye's Quilting Friends*. She has written two books, *3-D Explosion: Simply Fabulous Art Quilt Illusions* and just recently released *Curves For Cowards*. Her Lecture is titled "So, you want to make an Art Quilt?"

The Saturday Workshop is called "Fuchsia Fireworks" This design uses black to create the illusion of floating shapes. Come and have a fabulous time while learning curved seam piecing without pins! Free motion and binding by machine demos are included.

The Workshop will be held on Saturday, April 16th. If you wish to sign up for the workshop, email me at jharrington66@earthlink.net or call me at home (661)256-1548 or cell (661) 917-8746. The cost is $30.00

You are invited to join us for Dinner for Cara Gulati on Thursday, April 14th at 5:00 PM at Texas cattle Co. located at 44206 10th Street W in Lancaster. See you there.

Guild Information

Next Guild Meeting: Thursday, April 14, 2011
Location: Lancaster United Methodist Church
918 West Ave J, Lancaster CA

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 20, 2011
6:30pm at Big City Fabrics

Membership Dues 2010/11
Regular Dues: $30.00
If newsletter is received by ***both***
email and USPS: $35.00

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Philanthropic	(vacant)	
Publicity	(vacant)	
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AVQA 2010-2011 Additional Key Positions

Challenge	Sue Jacobsen	946-2201
Sunshine	Joe Filich	942-4138
Holiday Party	Marilyn Kostecky	946-3644
SCCQG Rep	Vicki Brown	269-8144
Door Prizes	Pat Stauning	940-1176

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2010-11 Advertising Fees:

Full Page Ad:	$40 per month
1/2 Page Ad:	$20 per month
1/4 Page Ad:	$10 per month or 6 months for $50
Business Card Size Ad:	$7.50 per month or 6 months for $30

Happy Birthday!

02 – Sylvia Darroch
03 – Roxanna Flint
07 – Eunice Hess
08 – Peggy Cruz
11 – Sandra Smith
12 – Sandra Ray
13 – Marion O'Donnell
20 – Joe Filich
20 – Brenda Simoni
21 – Pauline Brown
21 – Carolyn Lundie
22 – Kay Hague
23 – Anne Tyszka
26 – Betty Bundy
26 – Carol Orloff
27 – Debby Celaya

Hospitality:

Folks with the last name starting with A through E are requested to bring goodies for the April meeting.

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~~ Knot So Perfect Friendship Group

President's Message

We are coming to the two most critical months for the Guild. In April we have the election of Officers. We still need one helper and two officers. Please step forward and do your duty as a member of this guild and take an office. Remember you will have all the help you need to do any office. Then in May we have our Quilt Show. We have lots of vendors and 4 homes for people to look at. It should be fun. Remember this is your Guild. The people you elect should reflect your wishes on how the Guild should be run. Come June don't set back and say I didn't want that person in office if you did not come to the April meeting and vote for your favorite officers.

~~Your Rose, Lois

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Volunteers Needed - It is almost show time and we need help. I hope you are all thinking of ways to work for the show this year. We need help at each of the homes, at the vendor area and with the auction. Please think of ways to help spread the load your show committee has been working on this all year. The quilt show benefits all of us throughout the year. Our programs and rent are just two examples of how we use our money. Just a couple of hours of your time in May. We have jobs for standing, sitting and walking around. Plans for the home tour are progressing. So please, look for the sign-up sheets at the next meeting. I hope everyone is working on quilts to put in the show, we have lots of room to display them at the homes. Keep quilting!

~~ Betty Putzka

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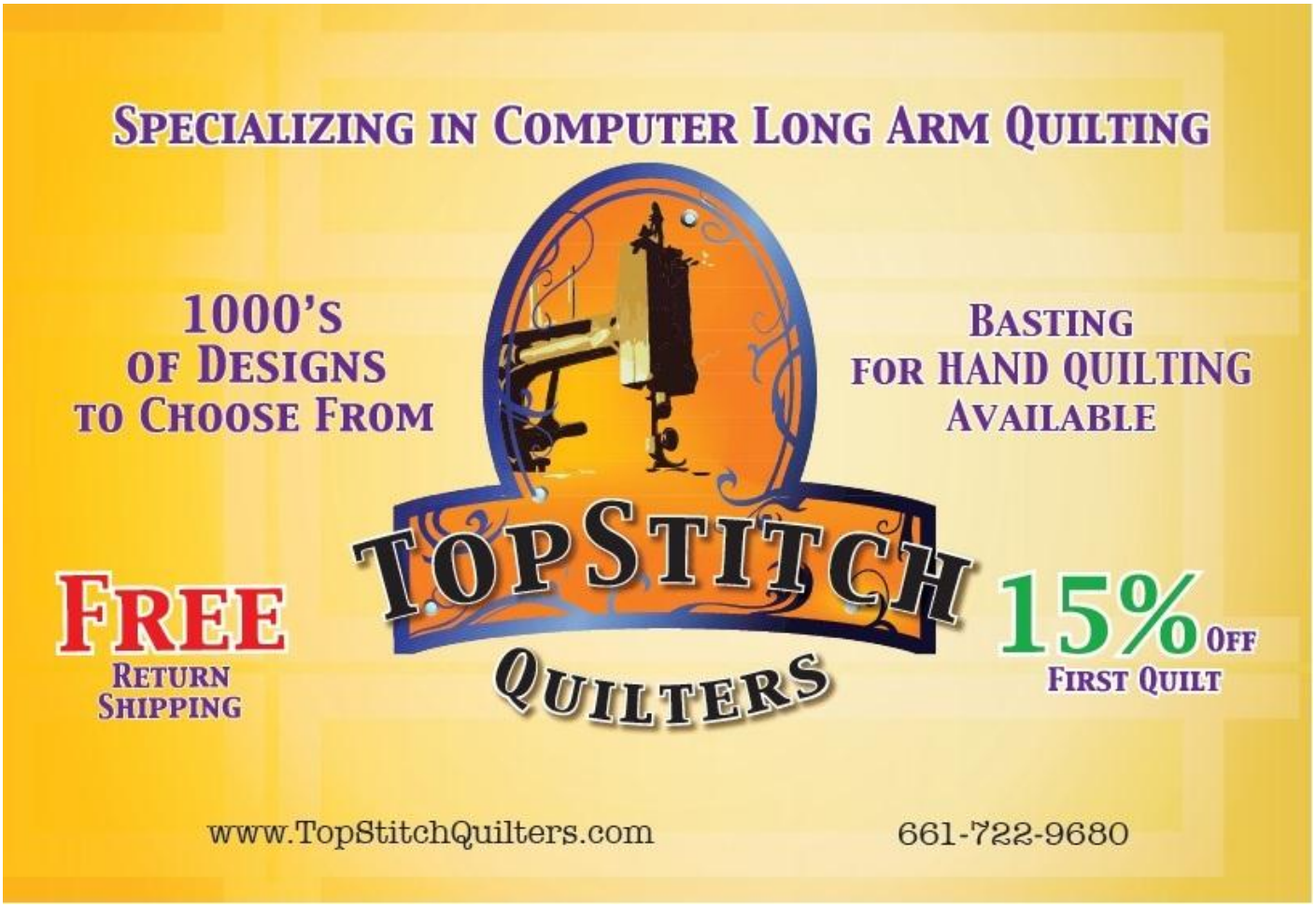
Membership: We had 65 members and 10 guests present at the April meeting. See you at the meeting and don't forget your name tag!

~~ Michelle Johnston and Sandy Jo Ellis

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Librarian's Report - Your librarian, on behalf of AVQA, would like to thank Terry Waldron, who donated a copy of 500 Art Quilts, an Inspiring Collection of Contemporary Work, to the guild's library. She has two quilts in this book, *Rain or Shine* on page 27, and *Hey Kahuna! No Trespassing!* on page 322.

Through the library I want to set up a bi-annual month block party. This would be designed to showcase a book from the library using different techniques that all levels of quilters could accomplish. How it would work is that the block would be printed in at least two newsletters and handouts of the pattern will be available on the librarian's table. You may work up the block as many times as you would like, and each block will enter you to win all the blocks, i.e., one block will give you one chance; five blocks will give you five chances to win. If this idea appeals to you please let me know.

June will be "Trash to Treasure" so if you have any books in your library you no longer want, bring them in to the guild's library and I will gather them to either add to our book collection or for this program. Thank you for your help and kind donations.

Remember our library has many items to share, so when you borrow materials from it we do need them back. Please return your items, or ask for an extension, so we both remember what has been borrowed.

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More from the First Vice President (Programs)

Kay Hague's Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, June 11, 2011. The Saturday workshop is called "Magical Squares", an enjoyable and fast way to make a lap or baby quilt. Come and enjoy the "Magic". Kay will have kits available for purchase for $15.00. What a great way to make a quilt without the hassle.

June will be Trash and Treasure, so bring all your unwanted Quilting related items which will become someone else treasure. All proceeds will benefit the guild. So bring your wallets or checks for a fun evening.

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Parlimentarian Report - Ballot for next year's officers to be voted on April 14 at the next guild meeting.

President - Jamie Harrington
1st Vice President (Programs) - Corinne Gurney
2nd Vice President (Ways and Means) -
Secretary - Sue Hartman/Linda Judkins
Treasurer - Tammy Boyd
Parlimentarian - Sandy Smith

Nominations will be taken from the floor. We are in great need for a 2nd Vice President so if you are interested in the position, please let me know.

The guild is only as active as its members are. If you enjoy having big name speakers, like we had last month with Sharon Schamber and this April with Cara Gulati, we need everyone to put in as much as they can to make this guild the best in can be. Doing the 2 hours shift at the home tour and selling your opportunity tickets are very important to the guild. We need everyone of you to show your support. As that infamous poster said with Uncle Sam pointing at you--We Need You!

~~ Corinne Gurney, Parliamentarian

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Upcoming Quilting Events

Mar 18 – May 8 Artistic Fiber and Quilted Creations presented by Diamond Valley Arts Council at Esplanade Arts Center, 2181 W. Esplanade, San Jacinto, CA. FMI: TheDVAC.org

Apr 8 - 10 The 16th Annual Best of the Valley at McDermont Field House, 365 N. Sweet Brier, Lindsay, CA. Admission $10 daily or $15 for 3 day pass, Friday & Saturday 9-5, Sunday 10-4. FMI: Suzanne Kistler (559)625-5430 or www.botvquilts.com.

Apr 9 Young Piecemakers Quilt Guild presents a Quilt and Fashion Show featuring Eleanor Burns at Centennial High School Gymnasium, 1820 Rimpau Avenue, Corona, CA. Admission $6, Saturday 10-5, Fashion Show at 1 PM. FMI: www.ypqg.org.

Apr 29 & 30 Inland Empire Quilters Guild presents Country Quilt Fair at Riley's Gym, Norco Community Center, 3900 Acacia, Norco, CA. Admission $7, Friday & Saturday 10-5. FMI: Lana Dougherty (951)751-0573 or ieqg@hotmail.com.

Apr 30 & May 1 Seven Sisters Quilt Show at Alex Madonna Expo Center, 100 Madonna Road, San Luis Obispo, CA. Unlimited Entry $10, Saturday 9-5 Sunday 9-4 FMI: www.aqgcc.org

May 14 Acacia Quilt Quilt of Orange County presents Tea and Quilt Auction at Liberty Hall, Walter Ehlers Community Center, 8150 Knott Avenue, Buena Park, CA. Saturday 12:30-3:30. FMI: www.www.acaciaquiltguild.org or Susan @ 714-522-4741 or Phylliss @ 714-821-6967

May 14 & 15 A Medley of Quilts at Yosemite High School, 50020 School Road, Oakhurst, CA. Admission $7, Saturday 10-5 Sunday 10-4. FMI: www.sierramountainquilters.org

May 15 – Nov 6 BOLD EXPRESSIONS — AFRICAN AMERICAN QUILTS from the Collection of Corrine Riley (curator is Christine Knoke) at Mingei International Museum in Balboa Park. FMI: Martha Ehringer, 619-704-7513, mehringer@mingei.org

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Patti Keene has 2 openings for the Ventura retreat. The Oct. 21-24 Big Bear retreat has 12 attending so far. Deposits for Big Bear need to be in to Patti by April meeting.

Corine Cudney, librarian, is doing such a great job. Each month she is sharing a quilt top designed from one of the books. What a good idea and inspiration for all.

Michelle Johnston reported there were 65 members present and 10 visitors.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35p.m.

~~Submitted by Sue Hartman

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2011 AVQA QUILT SHOW ENTRY FORM

ENTRY DEADLINE: THURSDAY APRIL 14TH

A **separate** entry form is required (with **photo attached**) for each item entered. Must be an **Active Member** of AVQA since January 2011.

Entrant's Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Quilt Title: _____

Pattern name and/or source: _____

Size: Inches Wide _____ Inches High _____ Year Completed_____

Quilting Technique:

Hand quilted by entrant: _____Machine quilted by entrant: _____

Professionally Quilted:_____Quilted by:_____

Quilt turn in May 3rd. Please provide a bag for each quilt with your name on it.

Comments: Please tell us about your quilt: Where did you find the pattern or inspiration? What techniques, thread, batting did you use? Does this quilt have a story? Please use back of form.

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QUILTS FOR SALE: Do you wish to sell your quilt with the understanding that the guild will receive 10% of the asking price? YES or NO If yes, what is your asking price?_____

I have read and understand the Quilt Show Entry Rules. I also understand that liability insurance is the sole responsibility of the entrant.

Signature of Entrant: _____ Date:_____

AVQA Quilt Auction
ENTRY FORM

Please turn in your quilts by
May 3, 2011
POC for more info is
Pat Stauning at 940-1176.

Entrant Name: _____

Phone: _____

Size (in inches): _____ Inches side to side (width) _____ Inches top to bottom (length)

Quilt Name: _____

Quilt Top made by: _____ **Year(s) Made**: _____

Quilted by if different from above*: _____
(*Please, if your quilt was professionally quilted, include the name of the quilter so that he/she may get proper credit for the work done).

Methods Used: Piecing - Hand or Machine Appliqué- Hand or Machine
Quilting - Hand or Machine OTHER _____

Comments: Please include any comments you would like written about your quilt:

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OPTIONAL: **STARTING MINIMUM BID**: $_____
If there is not an accepted bid at the above price, AVQA may lower the bid to $_____
If there is no bid at that price, I would like the quilt returned to me. YES or NO

PROCEEDS:

_____ I am donating all the proceeds to the Antelope Valley Quilt Guild.

_____ I am splitting the proceeds 70/30 (70% goes to AVQA / 30% goes to me)

Do you want a tax receipt? YES or NO

PLEASE ATTACH THIS FORM TO THE QUILT AND SUBMIT BY ENTRY DEADLINE: APRIL 14TH

_____
AVQA use only

Highest bid accepted: $ _____ 70% _____ 30% _____

Announcements

QUILTS FOR JAPAN

If you are interested in donating quilts to those affected by the earthquake/tsunami disaster in Japan, here are two links to groups conducting Quilts for Japan efforts:

http://www.quiltersnewsletter.com/blogs/insideqn/2011/03/18/call-for-quilts-for-japan/

and

http://saqasocal.blogspot.com/2011/03/quilts-for-japan.html

An Opportunity to Help Raise Money for Veterans

If anyone is interested in designing and making an art quilt of/about/for Veterans that they are willing to have auctioned off, please contact me. I was approached by a man who is a Veteran and is affiliated with Classic Car Shows and he would like a quilt to raffle off at a National Car Show to raise money for Veterans. There are perks for the designer.

Thank you! Sandy Jo Ellis
(661) 285-5978

African Folklore Embroidery $500 Challenge

Calling all quilters, fiber and bead enthusiasts who would like to win $ 500 Cash – Entry forms for the 2011 African Folklore Embroidery Challenge are now online at www.aflembroidery.com

THE GRAND PRIZE is $500 cash, 2nd prize $50 and 3rd prize $25.00. All entrants will receive certificate of participation and be considered for inclusion in a new book.

All entries will be on display at the International Quilt Festival in Long Beach at the African Folklore Embroidery Booth. The deadline for entries is July 15th 2011.

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE

Janome memory Craft 300E embroidery only sewing machine. Great condition and comes with HUNDREDS of THOUSANDS of embroidery designs, instruction book, 91 built in designs, complete accessory box, extra bobbins, "A" hoop = 6" x 6", "B" hoop = 6 1/2" x 8 1/2", the cloth setter for exact placement of multiple designs, memory cards, and card adapter. The designs alone are worth the asking price of $800.00 I am only selling because I bought a machine with a much larger embroidery field. This machine is great, nothing is wrong with it.

Pfaff Creative 1471 sewing machine. This is a great machine. I loved it so much I bought its "big sister" that also embroiders. Semi-computerized, built in walking foot, free arm capabilities, 100 built in embroidery stiches, all original accessories, carry case, and operating manual. Regularly serviced. Asking $700.00.

If interested in either machine, call Karen Picard @ 661-722-1157.

Rules for Swappers

1. Please send things you'd be happy to receive yourself.

2. Please graciously accept what you receive.

3. If, for some reason, you don't feel you can use something you receive in a swap, please keep it to yourself. If you receive fewer items than you were supposed to receive, please notify the activity organizer. NO public complaining about "inferior" fabric or construction, whether or not it was pre-washed, over-exposed to smoke or pets, off-size, etc.

4. Please, NO public complaints or criticisms of other swappers, items received or other type for any reason.

The most important rule of all:

HAVE FUN, FUN, FUN .... AND LOTS MORE FUN!!!!

Submitted by Mary Brewer & Delbra Blanton and adapted from www.quiltingboard.com.

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May 20, 2011
June 17, 2011

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