



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

# Bits & Pieces

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## SEPTEMBER IS OVERFLOWING WITH EXCITING EVENTS FOR PPQG— DON'T MISS THEM!

### YVONNE PORCELLA--ONE OF THE BEST!

September 21 will be a big day for our guild, as we're hosting one of the quilt world's favorite quilt artists. Yvonne Porcella is a career quilter, author, speaker, teacher, and artist par excellence, whose name and work are familiar to savvy quilters everywhere.

A pioneer in wearable art, she applied her considerable talent to creating coats, jackets, vests, and kimonos with enormous pizzazz. Ms. Porcella's contemporary art quilts, infused with her assertive colors and designs, are highly prized in private and corporate collections. Her long list of published books and articles is further evidence of Porcella's wealth of talent, thoroughness, and dedication to excellence.

As a teacher, Yvonne Porcella gets rave reviews, her students often returning for more, just to be around her and to absorb her creative energy. We are indeed fortunate to welcome Yvonne Porcella, to hear her words of wisdom and artistic inspiration, and to see her work first-hand. Don't miss this opportunity to meet one of America's foremost quilt artists: **Friday, September 21, 12:30pm**, snacks and social time; **1:00pm** business meeting, followed by the program.



### JUDGING WORKSHOP

On **September 21 at 11:45 AM**, preceding our regular meeting, Janet Sears and Lola DeLongoria will share information about how quilts are judged. This should be helpful to those who would like to improve their chances of being accepted into juried shows and for all of us as we cast our votes for the quilts that will best represent the guild in the Ultimate Challenge. Bring a brown bag lunch.

### BRING THOSE COOKIES!

Here is a reminder to those who signed up to bring goodies to our September guild meeting. They are: Jeri Taylor, Donna Blum and Trudy Armer. If you find that you won't be here after all please let me know. We have a spot for one more bring-ee or would that be bringer of goodies? Anyway other volunteers will be most welcome simply let me know please. I am in the Roster.

—Laura Hamilton

## FESTIVAL OF THE TREES WORKSHOP

Friday, September 14 • 9:30–3:00

Gualala Art Center Auditorium

Please join us to make place mats, table runners and other items for the Festival of the Trees booth. This is our major fund raiser for the year. The proceeds from this booth help to keep our dues in check and to help bring in our speakers for our meetings.

Items needed besides those listed above are small quilts, lap throws, children's and baby quilts, (pre-printed fabrics are great) pot holders, wine bags, aprons and wall hangings.

We would also like to have a children's corner of items \$5.00 and under that the kids can buy for their moms, dads and grandparents for Christmas. Ideas are welcome. Bring your fabrics or use ours.

—Carol Tackett and Marilyn Limbaugh

## HAND QUILTING CLASS OFFERED IN SEPTEMBER

Don't forget to enroll in Barbara Dunsmoor's class in hand-quilting, to be given on **September 20**. The class, which is one day from 9am to 4pm (don't forget your lunch) costs \$20 for guild members and \$25 for nonmembers. You will learn the tools needed, how to hand-quilt and will receive a supply list when you enroll. Call Gualala Arts Center today to register. The class will be held in the GAC in the Conference Room.



## BAG 'O STUFF

This is the month to show off your creative talents!! Please bring your Bag 'O Stuff item to the **September** meeting. We will have a show and tell and presentation to the original owner. If you bring your item early we will have a table and wall set up to display the items. Please put your name and # on the back of the item so the person who receives it will know who created it. We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful creations.

## I FOUND IT IN THE LIBRARY

You may find inspiration for your entry for the 2008 Challenge in the PPQG library, the public library, or even your personal library. It might be a book on quilting, a novel, or...well, what do you find inspiring in a library? The deadline for applications is February 22 with the show scheduled for March 8th through April 6th. There is a \$10.00 entry fee for any quilts not for sale. Quilts offered for sale have no entry fee. Each person may enter a maximum of two quilts. Group quilts may be entered in addition. For our show we would like to include images of the books that inspire the quilts. If you cannot provide a scan of the book please see Anna Hines to make arrangements. Only six months to go!

All PPQG members, beginners to masters, are encouraged to enter this non-judged, fun-filled event, which is open to quilted apparel and objects, as well as quilts with the largest dimension no more than 64 inches.

For those who would like to participate in the more restrictive "challenge within the challenge", from which a vote of the members will select eight quilts to submit to the American Quilters Society's "Ultimate Guild Challenge", the quilts must be between 30 and 60 inches in both length and width, and original in design.

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For more information see the PPQG website or a brochure available at meetings or contact committee members; Anna Hines, Laura Hamilton, Polly Dakin, Iris Lorenz-Fife, Janet Sears, and Lola DeLongoria.

## QUILT WINNERS AT ART IN THE REDWOODS

PPQG is proud to honor the winners of the quilt division at Art in the Redwoods: First place— Suzy Bates, Second place— Mary Austin, Third place— Barbara McNulty and Judges Award—Carol Drucker.

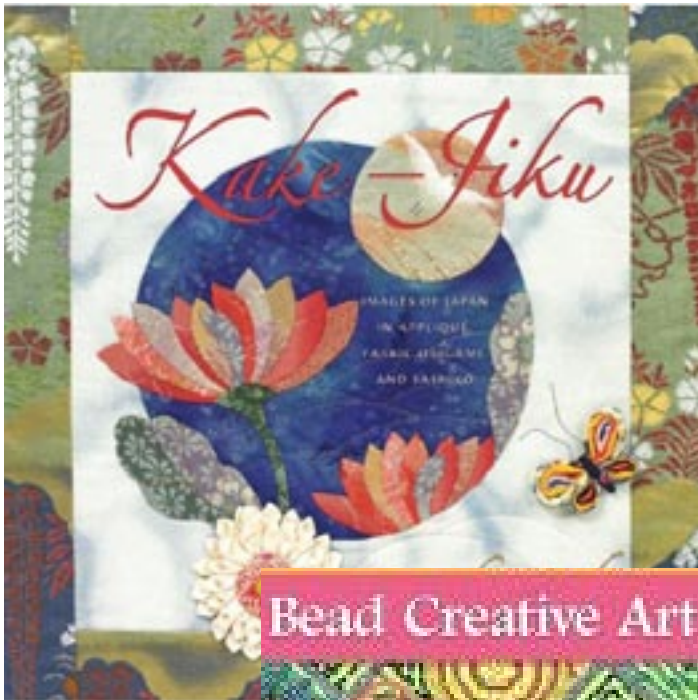
## Happy Birthday

Lenore Sollom	Sept. 1	Gail Sims	Sept. 15	Babs Levine	Sept. 20	Christine Francis	Sept. 24
Janet Sears	Sept. 2	Maureen Healy	Sept. 19	Claire McPherson	Sept. 21	Laura Hamilton &	
Linda Jones	Sept. 8	Cynthia Chilton-Hauck &		Cynthia Daniels &		Sharon Moreland	Sept. 25

## RETREAT NEWS

The PPQG poll regarding the retreat has come back two to one in favor of skipping a retreat this year. Many people cited other activities and the cost as reasons for wanting to take a year off. A few people suggested having the retreat at a different place when we have our next retreat in 2009. I am always open to suggestions. Thank you to all who replied to the survey.

—Anita Kaplan



## PPQG LIBRARY NOTES: FINDING THE BOOK YOU WANT

We have three bits of news this month. First there are two new books on the shelves at the Gualala Art Center; *Bead Creative Art Quilts*, by Nancy Eha, and *Kake-Jiku: Images of Japan in Applique, Fabric Origami, and Sashiko*, by Kumiko Sudo. Both have wonderful images that just might inspire an entry for our 2008 Challenge.

Secondly, we have received some generous book donations which we will be checking for possible library additions. Those that do not go on the shelves will be auctioned at our September meeting.

And, once again we invite your suggestions for books to purchase. Especially those of you who travel or get catalogs. Is there a book you'd like to see in our collection? If so, please let us know.

—Marilyn Alderson and Anna Hines

## Bead Creative Art Quilts

