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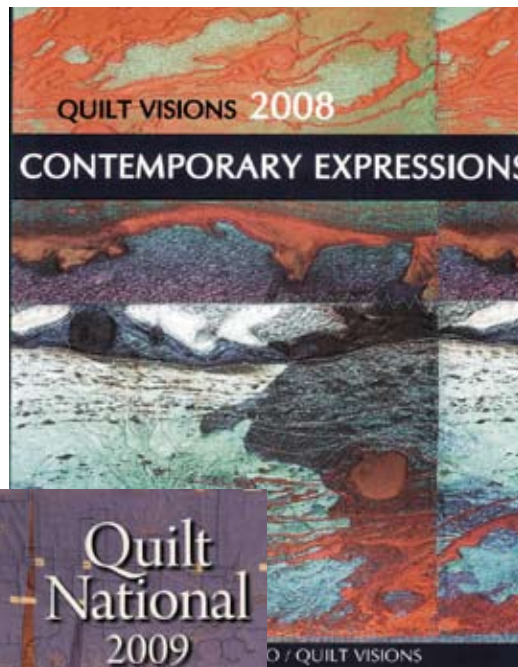
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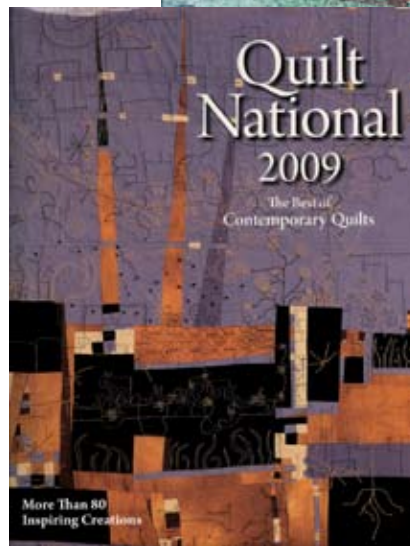


The National Quilt Shows Lecture this Month



You've heard about Paducah, Chicago, Quilt National and Quilt Visions. Come find out what they are like and which might be the best one for you to attend. Janet Windsor will present a slide show and lecture at the guild meeting on February 19 about these shows. Janet has attended each of them and stresses that they are very different from each other. What are their similarities? How are

they different? What can you expect when you attend one of these shows? Come find out and see slides of some of the beautiful quilts from these shows.



Kudos to our Members

Anna Hines was surprised to learn that *I am a Backhoe*, her newest book for children got a star from Kirkus Reviews, the premier book journal.

Anita Kaplan is among the many artists whose work appears in *500 Art Quilts*. It is a stunning compilation of the best art quilts of the last five years by well known and less well known quilters from around the world.

Four Eyed Frog Books has Anna's book in stock and has ordered several copies of *500 Quilts* which will be available March 3rd. Call and reserve your copy.

My quilting studio is not complete unless my kitties are with me. I listen to music on my PC and the theme song from *Out of Africa* is one that I listen to over and over. I just find it uplifting and inspiring.

—Donna Blum

President's Message

What a wonderful time we all had at the Holiday Not sure where I heard it, but the quote went something like this: "Asking a quilter to mend is like asking Picasso to paint a garage."

How many of us have never been asked to mend something? I'm thinking not very many! In reality, we possess the skill of attaching one piece of fabric to another. We have the equipment necessary. So why wouldn't people ask us to mend something?

Yet, there's a nagging feeling that we're being asked to abandon our artwork and paint the garage.

I can't speak for everyone, but I, personally, am proud when someone asks if I can mend something. It's a way I can do something for that person, a way to help them, and it's often something that I am capable of doing which they are not. When my kids were younger, I used to trade mending for babysitting with my friends. It all worked out quite nicely. And I don't think mending has come at the expense of my quilting.

What's your view? What do you think? Do you think Picasso painted his own garage?

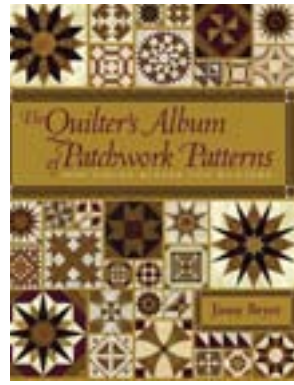
On another note, I am so excited to look at the line-up of classes and workshops we have for 2010. I'm always ready to take a new class and learn something new. Sign up now so you're not disappointed and don't get into the class(es) you want.

—Jan Carter

Spring Programs are Exciting

You can sign up for all these classes now at GAC. Don't be left out!

Feb. 11, 25, &
Mar. 4, 11, 18,
and 25 Beginning Quilting workshop
by Mary Austin
Feb. 19 Lecture and slide show:
The National Quilt Shows
by Janet Windsor



Library News

The Quilter's Album of Patchwork Patterns: 4050 Pieced Blocks for Quilters by Jinny Beyer is now in the library

Treasurer's Report

Balance at beginning of Dec.....	\$21,800.45
Plus: Monthly deposits per Income	
Retreat deposits	\$150.00
Fundraising	\$2,655.60
Pin Donation	\$10.00
Workshop income	\$382.50
Prepaid dues	\$840.00
Angel donations	\$70.00
Income	\$4,108.10
Minus: Monthly checks from Expense	
Copy Plus/New CK Stamp.....	\$21.60
GAC rent.....	\$206.00
Sharon Malinkowsky	\$300.00
Comfort Quilts	\$23.27
Total expenses	\$550.87
Balance at month end	\$25,357.68

The Hand Appliqué class on February 17 & 18 has been cancelled. If you are registered for this class, please call Gualala Arts Center about a refund.

March 19	Lecture and trunk show: <i>African Textiles</i> by Rebecca Amissah-Aido of Ananse Village, Ft Bragg
April 14, 15	Workshop by Rachel Clark: <i>The Fancywork Coat</i>
April 16	Lecture and trunk show: <i>Not Just Another Coat</i> by Rachel Clark:
May 21	Lecture: <i>Borders, Borders, Borders</i> by Nancy Tiffany

What's Your Role in Our Scrumptious Show?

Beginners welcome...experts welcome...all "between-beginner-and-expert" members, too, come join the fun. There's more than a month available for you to try your hand at depicting your attitude toward chocolate.

A new opportunity emerged this year to expand our love of quilting to newer generations. Members are invited to collaborate with a youngster under age 16, who may or may not be related to you. It's reported that at least one of these group quilts is ready to hang in our show.

Dates:

February 26, Friday: Last day to turn in registration forms at Gualala Art Center, either in person or mailed to P.O. Box 244, Gualala, Ca 95445. Forms are available in the GAC lobby or online at www.gualalaarts.org or our guild's web site, www.pacificpiecemakers.org. Please include \$10 for quilts that are "NFS" (Not For Sale).

March 11, Thursday: Show entries are to be delivered between 10 a.m. and noon. Make sure you get your entry checked in and receive a receipt. Please provide a dowel and a sleeve on quilts to

hang. Karen's assembling the names of members who would like to help that day. If you would like to be part of the group, please let her know at merenlinna@pacbell.net.

March 13, Saturday: The PPQG Quilt 2010 Challenge Show opening reception is from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. We are known for a tasty spread; please sign the list at the February 19 meeting or send an e-mail to Karen Shanower at merenlinna@pacbell.net to help maintain our reputation with finger food, appetizers, tid-bits. Nine members have already offered to bring food. Please take all food to the kitchen upon arrival.

April 5, Monday: Pick up unsold artwork using your receipt as a claim and sign out. Entries will be released to anyone presenting your receipt.

All the governing rules are part of the registration form, except for the specific invitation for a group entry with an under-16-year-old. Any other questions: call Karen Shanower at 707.884.3010 or e-mail her at merenlinna@pacbell.net.

Karen foresees a mouth-watering show!

It's Time to Renew Your Membership

Thanks to all who have renewed their membership for 2010. If you have not, please mail a check for \$40 (or more with Angel Gift) made payable to PPQG to PPQG Membership, c/o Gualala Arts Center, PO BOX 244, Gualala, Ca, 95445. Don't delay, as those who are not paid up by the Match meeting will be dropped from the rolls. We need you!

January Comfort Quilt/Quilts of Valor Workshop

