



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

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Joe the Quilter Visits This Month



Joe Cunningham grew up in Flint, Michigan. He started playing guitar and drums at an early age and began playing music professionally in high school. He made his living from music until he was invited to write the catalogue for a quilt documentation project. To prepare for that he learned how to make quilts, and since 1979 he has been making, writing about, talking and teaching about, and even singing about quilts. Today he lives in San Francisco with his wife and sons, working from his quilt studio in the city and living in the Presidio National Park.

From the beginning, Cunningham has been a student of quilt history, writing scholarly articles, essays and books on the subject. In his studies he ran across the story of Joe the Quilter, an Englishman who made quilts in the late 1700s, a story which inspired him to create a one-man musical quilt show called *Joe the Quilter*. The show is comprised of songs, stories and original quilts all created to tell the tale of the original Joe the Quilter. In 2001 he added the show to his repertoire of lectures and classes, leading to performances throughout the country. And he will be presenting this lecture to our guild on Friday, November 18 at 1:00 p.m. Don't miss it!

Intermediate and Advanced Machine Quilting: Register NOW!

Sign up now for this 2 day class for students that have some experience with free motion quilting, and would like to learn more advanced techniques. The class is offered November 16 & 17.

Bonnie Toy will not be teaching basic free motion skills but rather techniques and patterns for students who want to expand their skill set. She will discuss thread and fabric choices, needle choices, and tension adjustments necessary for perfect stitches. She will concentrate on techniques, patterns and fills used by Diane Gaudynski.



Charlene Younker announces that Rainbow Resources has a new website guild members can shop online now! Check out www.rainbowresourceco.com and Charlene says please call to make an appointment to visit her in Albion so you can feel the fabric.

New Member

Please welcome our newest member:
Charis (Karis) Webb
Gualala, CA
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President's Message

Well, another month has flown by. The rainy season will soon be here. This is a great time to finish our projects. Jan Carter has given us a wonderful challenge to work on, there is the show at the Dolphin with the wood carvers that Carol Tackett has invited us to enter and of course our on going commitment for comfort quilts, quilts of valor and fabric bags for UCFS Children's Hospital, should keep us busy through the winter. Joyce Gaudet, Laura Hamilton and I are making a quilt for Fort Ross's bicentennial which will be raffled off as a fund raiser for Fort Ross, so we are hard at work on that project. We are hoping to have it ready to show you at the Christmas Party. Time to get to work. Don't forget to sign up for Bonnie Toy's Intermediate/Advanced Free Motion Machine Quilting class November 16 and 17. Hope to see you all at the November meeting on the 18th.

—Lola DeLongoria

Festival of Trees

Festival of Trees happens November 25th and 26th, the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving Day. Please plan to bring your guests and come for some early holiday shopping and to support our Guild and the Art Center. We will need several people to work a shift on each of those two days so a signup sheet will be passed around at the November 18 guild meeting so you can be part of the fun too. We have some beautiful items to sell this year! On that note, if you are still making items for the Festival, please bring the completed items to the Guild meeting in November. If you can't attend that meeting, please ask a friend to deliver your items to the meeting. Pricing of the items takes a long time and we need that much lead time to get everything tagged and ready. So many of you have made wonderful items; many thanks to each and every one of you who donated your time, your artistry and your materials to this effort.

—Sylvia Edwards

Retreat News

Our fabulous retreat in beautiful, exciting (by coastal standards) Healdsburg is creeping closer. It is only 3 months away at this writing. I hope those of you who are going are starting to think about the project(s) on which you will be working. There are only two places left! If there is someone who still would like to attend please get your reservation to me asap.

—Anita Kaplan

2012 Dolphin Challenge

Our guild has been asked to participate in a joint show with the woodworkers at the Dolphin Gallery in January. The theme for our part of the show is Mendonoma Coast Magic. The size requirement is no larger than 18 inches wide and a maximum of 36 inches long. Entries are welcome in traditional or contemporary art form. Quilters may enter up to two pieces.

Deadline for entries is December 15. The entry form will be received by email accompanied by a digital photograph or a clear concept idea. Quilts will be due on January 3.. If we receive more quilts than we can hang, the entries will be juried by three non-quilters from Gualala Arts. Please let Carol Tackett know if you are interested in being part of the show.

Treasurer's Report

Balance at beginning of month \$9,563.88

Plus: Monthly deposits per Income

Library sales	\$95.00
Workshop fees	\$615.00
Total Income	\$710.00

Minus: Monthly checks from Expense

GAC rent	\$206.00
Quilts of Valor delivery	\$86.44
R. Hughes travel	\$177.77
AIR Quilt (2012)	\$113.40
Bonnie Toy workshop	\$300.00
Library	\$31.25
Comfort quilts	\$40.23
Total expenses	\$955.09

Balance at month end \$9,318.79