

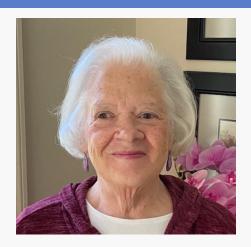
# The monthly newsletter from the East Cobb Quilters' Guild

# Basket Bulletin

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#### Good morning!

Kudos to our fabulous Program Committee members who are on the cutting edge of exposing us to rising quilting stars. Two of our speakers, Audrey Esarey and Tara Miller will be featured on next season's *The Quilt Show* with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims. Our Program Committee has worked tirelessly to bring us outstanding national and international speakers, for which we are so grateful. Thank you, ladies, for your expertise and diligence!



I look forward to seeing you at the September Guild meeting!

Lisa Walker, President president@ecqg.com

#### **MEETINGS THIS MONTH**

Evening Group - Thursday, September 25 @ 6:45pm Guild Meeting - Friday, September 26 @ 10am

The Catholic Church of St. Ann - 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta, GA (from the parking lot, look up and to the left for our meeting space)

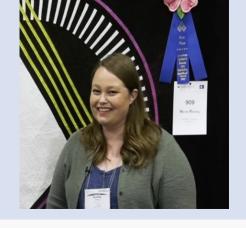
Visitors Always Welcome!

Members! - Volunteer to Hold Quilts and Welcome Visitors at the Meeting

### SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

## **Audrey Esarey**

A rising star in the Modern Quilt movement with ribbons from Houston, QuiltCon, and Paducah!



Audrey's signature circular designs, many of which are created with her hand-dyed fabrics, are unique and intriguing.

#### Meet & Greet

Thursday, September 25 @ 6:45pm

More Information and Visitor Tickets <u>Here</u>

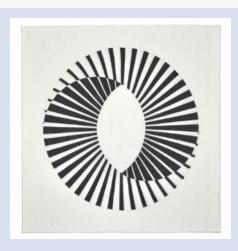
Members always free

# "Finding My Voice In Modern Quilting"

Friday, September 26 @ 10am

More Information and Visitor Tickets <u>Here</u>

Members always free



#### Workshop Mobius Radial

Thursday, September 25
Join the waitlist
if the class is full.

More Information



# Workshop Drafting Complex Curves

Saturday, September 27
Join the waitlist
if the class is full.

**More Information** 

# MATRIOTISM CHALLENGE QUILTS

Celebrating 250 Years of Inspirational Women Through Quilts

#### Click here to enter your quilt

It is SO exciting to see the Matriotism Challenge quilts coming in. Don't worry! YOU still have time to finish your quilt!

The <u>online entry form</u> must be completed by <u>midnight Tuesday</u>, <u>October 28</u>, and <u>quilts delivered to one of the October meetings</u>. If your quilt is ready earlier, you can bring it to either of the September meetings.

At both October meetings, we will show the quilts received and have a PowerPoint presentation of all the quilts. Voting will begin after the October day meeting and will be open until 4pm on Saturday, November 1. The PowerPoint of all the quilts will be available online to help you vote.

#### Please remember:

- We are celebrating inspirational American women who have made an impact over the past 250 years.
- You may use any quilting technique.
- The guilt must have 3 layers top, batting, back.
- We would like the sides of your quilt to be no smaller than 20" but no larger than 45". Quilts are acceptable as long as the perimeter is no less than 80" and no larger than 180".
- Your quilt must have a straight upper edge with a hanging sleeve appropriate to the size of the quilt.
- No support features (dowels, rods) are allowed.
- All embellishments must be securely fastened. PLEASE NO GLITTER.
- Quilts need to be made between January 2025 and October 2025.
- Bring your quilt in a pillowcase or cloth bag with your name and title of the quilt on the outside.
- No noodles will be allowed. If you do not want your quilt folded, make a pillowcase or cloth bag large enough to keep it flat.
- You must be a member of ECQG to enter.

#### Click here to enter your quilt

All entries must be submitted by midnight on Tuesday, October 28, 2025.

Please click here to review the rules.

For any questions, <u>contact</u> Matriotism Challenge Chair, Devon Pfeif.

# **2026 QUILT SHOW NEWS**

The September edition of the *Quilt Show Insider* is hot off the press! Its goal is to give you - as an ECQG member - all the information you need to be part of the greatest quilt show around. If you missed the September 10th issue, check your inbox or click <u>here</u>.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

We would like to bring some holiday cheer to the Northside NICU by providing teddy bears and positional



pillowcases in holiday-themed fabric. There will be kits for these projects at the Community Service table at the September and October meetings. Please remember that the October meeting will be our last turn in for most community service items, but we will accept the teddy bears and NICU pillowcases at the holiday party in December. We would love to meet our goal of 400 teddy bears for the Northside NICU.

The updated cutting directions for the NICU pillowcases are posted on the <u>website</u> under Community Service. For those of you who have an electronic cutting machine, there is an <u>SVG download</u> on the website for the teddy bear.

As always, thank you for all the Community Service projects that are turned in each month.

Click <u>here</u> for all the information about our Community Service work. Questions? Contact Janice and Jackie.

## Community Service Sewcial



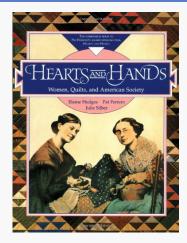
10am to 3pm, Tuesday, October 14, 2025 Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

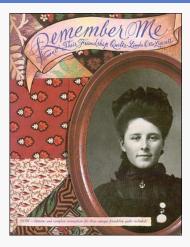
For all the details and to reserve your seat, click **here**.

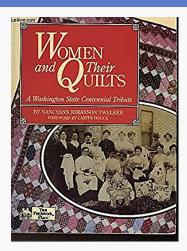
Bring your sewing machine, pack a lunch, and spend the day with friends working on Community Service projects. You can work on your own project or pick up a prepared kit at the Sewcial. Projects do not have to be completed by

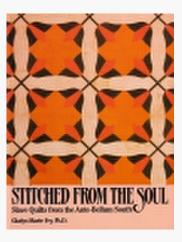
the end of the day, so relax and work at your own pace! We will also demo our newest Community Service projects for anyone who wants a one-on-one tutorial. It's sure to be a fun-filled day!

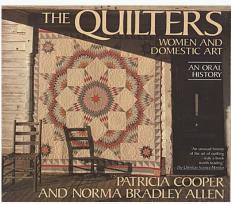
## LIBRARY BOOKS WITH HISTORY IN MIND

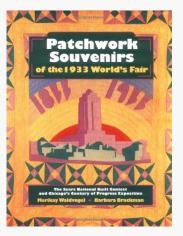












Our librarian, Merle Anderson, says that when she began quilting in the 90s, she read many books about the history of women and quilting. These books gave her a strong feeling of belonging to a tradition of women and craft going back over two centuries in America.

Some of these books are available from our guild library. Merle's favorite is *The Quilters: Women and Domestic Art, An Oral History.* Over the years, Merle has given many copies to quilting friends, who all loved it. Do yourself a favor and put it, or one of these other excellent books, on hold!

<u>Click here</u> to visit the catalog. You can search our collection and reserve your selections! Questions about the Library? <u>Contact</u> Merle.

# A QUILTER'S STORY - KIM BEASLEY

Welcome to the latest installment of A Quilter's Story. Each month we will interview a guild member and bring you their story. We hope that these stories will strengthen the bonds we



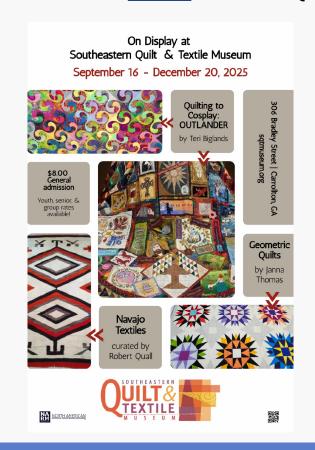
have as quilters and showcase the amazing talents of our members.

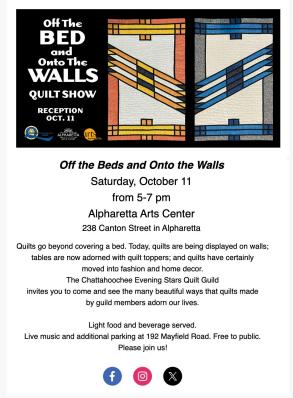
This month we are featuring Kim Beasley. Kim is a regular at Show & Tell with a wide variety of quilts.

Click here to meet Kim.

# QUILT SHOWS, EXHIBITS AND HAPPENINGS

Check out the "Events" tab of the ECQG website and plan some fun!





# **NEWS FROM THE WELCOME TABLE**

We love to see new members and visitors come to our meetings. Our greeters take them under their wing, show them around all the Guild displays, help them find a seat, and introduce them to members. For our new members we also have a name tag, fat quarter and information



about the Guild.

Good news - thanks to an inquiry from a new member, we have posted several patterns for nametag holders on our member website. Click here and then look for the Name Tag Holder Patterns.

If you love meeting people and telling them about our Guild, we'd love to have you as a greeter. Greeters are the welcoming face of our Guild to visitors and new members. If you are a new member and would like to be a greeter - we'd be glad to pair you with a Guild member to show you the ropes! You can sign up to be a greeter <a href="here">here</a>. Questions? <a href="Email">Email</a> Linda Lopez.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

As of the end of July, we had 367 members. Our fall "membership special" starts October 1, when you can join for the 2026 annual membership fee of \$40 and get the three remaining months of 2025 for free! Be part of the fun NOW by clicking our Join Us <u>link</u>.

Please welcome our new members: Michelle Bunker, Cathy Callahan, Allison Coda, Bette Jensen, and Penny Little. 147 members attended our August meeting and 30 members attended the Evening Group meeting.

Questions about membership? <u>Email</u> Carolyn Powers or come by the membership table.

# **SHOW & TELL**

Congratulations to Cindy Fitch for her Golden Scissors award and to Michele Bautsch for three Golden Scissors awards!





## HAVE SOME FUN WITH THE PUZZLE



This puzzle will get you thinking about our upcoming challenge. The quilt is "Song for Sonia" by Andrea Barrett, from our last challenge.

Click here to solve the puzzle.

You can adjust the number of pieces using the "Play As" tab in the upper right.

## IMPORTANT LINKS TO GUILD BUSINESS

Check out our financial statements and meeting minutes at the links below.







**Meeting Minutes** 

# **2025 GUILD LEADERSHIP**



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#### **Customized Quilt Retreats for Your Group!**

Locations include Lake Guntersville State Park in Guntersville, AL and River Rocks Landing in Gadsen, Alabama, hotels, quaint houses, lodges and RV parks

All have comfortable, secure sewing spaces & are close to participating quilt shops 5 days of sewing with 5 meals for \$275 per person plus lodging costs

Contact Tammy Benson at 256-640-8132 or tbenson402@gmail.com More information on our Facebook page - Quilt Till You Wilt - Quilting Retreats. Check for upcoming retreats or plan your own!



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