

WE ZOOM ALONG SEPTEMBER 28



Fabric Coloring Tools and Techniques By Jane Unger Baumstark

Jane's interest in sewing began at 7 years of age by sewing clothes on a Singer treadle machine. But it wasn't until 2017 when she became interested in quilting.

Jane is a member of the Bits 'n Pieces Guild, the Bits Art Quilters, and Art Quilters STL. She commented that playing with fabric, color, and "messy" media is one of her favorite things to do...then quipped, "Things haven't changed much in 60 years." Jane is also a quilting instructor where she takes great delight in seeing what her students create in her classes and often hollers, "Look at what you just did!" You can find her surface design classes, Art Quilting Studio, at Jackman's Fabrics.

In her presentation, **Fabric Coloring Tools and Techniques**, Jane will show how adding color to fabrics is a great way to expand your creativity and make unique quilts, garments and accessories. She'll demonstrate coloring tool products and tools both traditional and unusual, and how to apply and layer them on fabric. Anticipating your question, "Is that color permanent on fabric?"...watch her presentation for the answer.

Jane will show samples and provide a resource handout for the coloring products and tools below :

- Shiva Paintstiks™ and embossing plates
- Watercolor Brush markers
- Markers: Fabric, alcohol and transparent S-Note Sharpies
- Derwent Inkntense™ pencils
- Water-soluble gel crayons - Gelatos™
- Watercolor crayons and pencils
- Fabric paints and types of brushes/tools: opaque, transparent and metallic
- Gel pens
- Gel plate for mono printing, texture tools, stencils and masks
- Mediums to use with paint on fabric: textile, floating and extenders/retardants



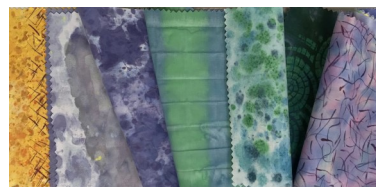
Hand-painted flower and machine quilting



Handmade stencils and stamps on fabrics



Hand painted flowers on fabric



Hand-painted patterns and paint-dyed fabrics

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Phyllis Bednarek, President

Dear Bits N Pieces Friends,

Good News!! Our Guild is holding strong with new quilters joining our group throughout this virtual year. We added a new member just this month. With our new addition our guild now has 173 members!

We still need to stay strong and safe while we get through this difficult time. The executive board and the program chairs voted to continue with our virtual meetings. I know we are all anxious to see one another in person, however, at this time we need to make sure we are well protected against the Covid virus.

Our reasons to wait are:

1. New variants of the virus have been discovered
2. Number of positive Covid cases has dramatically increased
3. Fully vaccinated persons are still getting infected
4. Health professionals are still deciding whether a booster injection is needed

So, hang in there dear friends! We have some wonderful, talented speakers scheduled for the next few months. Virtual presentations allow us to see and learn from those in our area as well as presenters who are many miles away.

It is also time to form a nominating committee by the September meeting. We need three volunteers. The guild will have an election in November for the following positions: Vice President or Vice Presidents and Secretary.

We also have several openings for committee chairs and mini-group chairs. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions.

It is such a pleasure to belong to such a wonderful, caring group of women who are supportive of each other and of their creative talents. Our guild continues to grow because of each and everyone of you! Thank you!

Phyllis Bednarek
President

NO MINUTES FOR AUG 24, 2021

Nancy Hopkins, Secretary

No Minutes for August 2021 because of the (canceled) Salad Supper, and Minutes are not taken during this event.



QUILTERS' CONCERNS

Judy Vogt,
Professional Long Arm Quilter

Please do not cut scalloped edges until after the quilting is completed.

A long arm quilter prefers straight edges to baste a quilt on frame.

Thank you,
Judy Vogt

stay safe. Keep quilting!



Linda Waugh, Coordinator

Lkampwaugh@charter.net

314-941-3195

There were no Sunshine and Shadow information from guild members for August.

Please contact me with any Sunshine and Shadow requests through my email or cell phone (see above).

Thank you,
Linda Waugh

MEMBERSHIP

Mary Lou Knox
mknnox911@charter.net
and Peggy Anderson
pjanderson56@charter.net
Coordinators

Our Guild continues to grow, slowly but surely!
We now have 173 members registered!!!!

Many interesting and informative programs are planned for this year!!!! Registration is always open, so please urge your friends and fellow quilters to register. New registrations will be continually added to the communications roster as they are received.

The registration form can be found on the "Members Only" section of the website. COMPLETE the form, INCLUDE a check made out to "Bits 'n' Pieces Quilt Guild" and MAIL to: Mary Lou Knox, 1465 Autumn Leaf Drive, Twin Oaks, MO, 63021 Everyone must renew their membership for the 2021 year.

When we again have meetings in person and if you want to win a membership attendance prize, you must wear your name tag. We have stick-on name tags available at the membership table or you can order an engraved badge. Engraved badges are \$10 and can be ordered in magnetic or pin backed styles. An order form for badges is available at the membership table or please contact: Peggy Anderson at: pjanderson56@charter.net. Remember that magnetic badges should not be worn with a pacemaker.

If you DO NOT wish to receive a membership card, please email Peggy Anderson at: pjanderson56@charter.net.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR GREAT GUILD!!!!!!

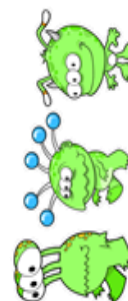
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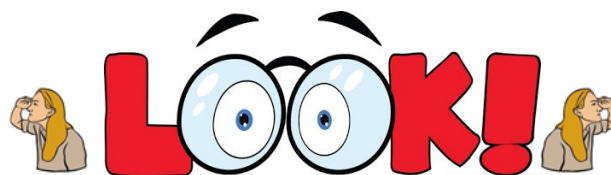
More photos of lovely projects have been shared that proves many of you have been working hard AND getting credit for all the hard work.

It's not too late to turn in a UFO list and get work done. If I have a form from you by September 15th, you are eligible for our participation drawing that takes place by our September meeting. Work finished for possible cash prizes in January 2022 needs to be turned in by December 31st.



If anyone has any ideas for changes to the program, please let me know. I'd love to see even more participation next year!

- Sarah Weible



Be on the lookout for upcoming events and changes to the guild's schedule in the newsletter **and** on the guild's website.

- Marsha Bray

RETREATS FOR MEMBERS AT TODDHALL AT COLUMBIA, IL

For basic information regarding our guilds retreats check the website under Guild Activities.

For information on a specific retreat or to sign-up contact the noted coordinator.

January 20 -23, 2022 - Thursday - Sunday,
Susan Calzone - sesnowzone@charter.net

FANFARE OF QUILTS 2023

MARCH 18-19 2023

QUILT SHOW 2023 UPDATES

QUILT SHOW 2023 CHAIR

Darla Gibson

I am continuing my series of Quilt Show facts and information that goes into the planning and organizing of the Fanfare of Quilts Show.

Each Quilt Show we choose one quilter or a group of quilters to be a Featured Quilter. The Featured Quilter is selected through a voting process in the guild. For the "Show That Never Happened", we changed the process to allow for nominations from the guild and then presented each of these nominees at a guild meeting so that everyone at that meeting had a chance to make an informed decision.

Once the quilter is selected, she (or he) is given a "booth" at the quilt show to highlight their skills and talents. Some quilters do more than quilting and select parts of all of their artistic abilities; others may be experts in some particular area and highlight that area. The idea is that the Featured Quilter features their talent. They also spend time in the booth meeting the show guests and telling them about their selected pieces. This is really a great way to educate the community further in the art of quilting.

Here is a list of our most recent Featured Quilters:

- 2006 Betty Jean Franke
- 2008 Barbara Warner
- 2010 Nancy K. Peters
- 2012 Lorrie Oltman
- 2014 Mother Daughter Exhibit:
 - Ginger Carter and Wendy Carter Richards
 - Marilyn Fallert and Jean Goldsberry
 - Bernice Dodge and Darla Gibson
 - Laura Khoury and Lisa Marsden
- 2016 No Featured Quilter
- 2018 We honored Suzanne Marshall as a Featured Artist
- 2020 Roxanne Jasper – the "Show that Never Happened"

Please congratulate these women when you see them as this is a very special honor!

- Darla Gibson

GUESS HOW MANY SPOOLS CONTEST



**Keep saving those empty
spools!**

Don't forget...these empty spools are for a special fun event at our show in March 2023!

Let's impress our show visitors by **ALL** the spools of thread we used since 2020!

- Judy Humphrey



THANK YOU VETERANS



HONOR FLIGHT

Judy Humphrey, Coordinator

Since the Salad Supper was canceled, the Honor Flight quilts could not be dropped off at the guild's event pavilion in the park.

So I am asking those with finished Honor Flight quilts to please call and deliver them to:

Chris Williams, who lives close to Salem Church where we normally meet.

Her address is:

180 Baxter Commons Dr.

Call or Email Chris before you come:

314-452-5912

cwwill@earthlink.net

***** SIZE GUIDELINE *****

Size: 36 X 36

**A little smaller, a little larger okay.
Patriotic fabric.**

- Judy Humphrey

All Star Virtual Sampler Platter

Saturday, 10/2 2-5 pm

Sunday 10/3 2-5 pm

We are signed up to do another Quilt All Star Sampler on October 2 & 3.

The link will come out a week ahead and you simply log in to watch."

-Candy Grisham

Three Points, A Triangle Workshop Maria Shell Workshop Oct. 6 and 20

Maria is such an inspiring teacher. She is having a virtual workshop: "Three Points, A Triangle" on October 6 & 20 in the evening. She is a great virtual teacher with so much to offer.

The workshop will lead you through your own design working with triangles and your choice of fabric.

Fee \$80. Checks made to Bits n Pieces

Please send registration to:

Candy Grisham

3 Woodbine Ct.

Washington, MO 63090

Don't wait!

N O W H I R I N G !

Nighttime Needlers needs a new coordinator.

This is an easy job that takes very little time!

If interested, please contact Marsha Bray for more details.

Marshasbray@gmail.com or 314 650 9739

ZOOM AND LIVE MINI EVENTS

Chris Williams, Zoom Mini Events Coordinator
cwwill@earthlink.net

Mary Lou Knox, Live Mini Events Coordinator
mknnox911@charter.net

Mary Lou Knox is the coordinator for the LIVE Fun Sew Days. And for those of you who prefer the ZOOM Fun Sew Day, Chris Williams will be coordinator for the ZOOM Fun Sew Days in the odd months: July, September, November, January, March, May.

As noted above, we are going to have BOTH **Live** and **Zoom Fun Sew Days** – alternating months. Even months (August, October, December, January, March and May) will be **LIVE EVENTS** at the Fire station. Contact Mary Lou Knox at mknnox911@charter.net. Deadline for signups is July 24th.

Hope to see you all – anywhere!

Chris & Mary Lou

Schedule of Zoomed Meetings

Fun Sew Days also continue with Zoom.

Chris Williams is continuing as the coordinator of ZOOM Fun Sew Days which will be held on the 1st Saturday of odd numbered months: September 4, November 6, January 1, at 9:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m. These are open to all guild members. Just think – sewing with friends and no need to haul a machine, sewing supplies, ruler, iron or project! Some people just do hand work during the session also.

Contact Chris Williams (cwwill@earthlink.net) if you are interested in joining in the fun or have questions. See the Bits website for more information.

Bits Members Afternoon Zoom – Chris Williams will continue to host these events - Dates are 8/5, 8/19. This group meets every 2 weeks on **THURSDAY AFTERNOON** from 1:00 – 3:00. The group chose to have a Sew Day during their Zoom meetings. This group is open to everyone, but you must sign up to receive a Zoom invite. If you are interested in joining this group or have questions, contact Chris Williams (cwwill@earthlink.net)

Bits Members Evening Zoom – Chris Williams will continue to host these Zoom gatherings the first and third **WEDNESDAY EVENING** from 7:00-9:00, on 8/4, 8/18. It's a time to chat, share projects, ask questions and just catch up on news of the Guild and each other. If you are interested or have questions, contact Chris Williams (cwwill@earthlink.net)

COVER OUR KIDS

Tamra Phelps (636) 243-1079 and
Gay Stewart (314) 527-9980
Coordinators

COK has been busy picking up finished quilts and plan a delivery for next week. If anyone has finished COK quilts, please give Tamra or Gay a call to arrange a pickup.

The guild has done such a great job making quilts for COK that there are only a few kits available to sew. We have about 20 kits that need to be quilted, so let one of us know if you're interested in quilting one.

SAVE THE DATE - SEPTEMBER 20

Join us for a COK pizza pattern cut out luncheon on Monday, September 20th, Salem Church from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring a cutting mat, rotary cutter, and ruler, Gay and Tamra will provide pizza and patterns. We won't be sewing, so no need to bring a sewing machine. Watch the guild email for more details. Send a text to Gay, at the above number, to confirm you are coming.

Thanks,
Gay Stewart and
Tamra Phelps



For your convenience, the Zoom Tips and Tricks pages will be published in each newsletter until we physically meet again.

THE TECH COMMITTEE CORNER

**Gail McCartney, Megan Buttery, Patti Moreland, Rita Nyhoff,
Candy Grisham, Linda Keeler, Marsha Bray & Phyllis Bednarek,
Chris Williams**

We have done so well with our online meetings averaging 100 members both times. Some helpful hints from the tech committee to make your viewing experience the best:

- Please **name** yourself and try to get **your video** up so we can see you. If you do not know how we will help.
- Please make sure your **mute** is on during the programs

The **interactive calendar** is on the website. Patti Moreland did a fantastic presentation about using the calendar. The calendar is on the Members only page. It is for all Bits related activities. It is also useful to see if another group is already using the Zoom account.

Bits now has a **Zoom account** for meetings and small groups. If you want to use the Bits Zoom account for a small group activity contact Patti Moreland or Rita Nyhoff to verify the calendar and get passwords. You should get a **zoom invitation** a week before the meeting and the day of the meeting. If you do not contact one of us.

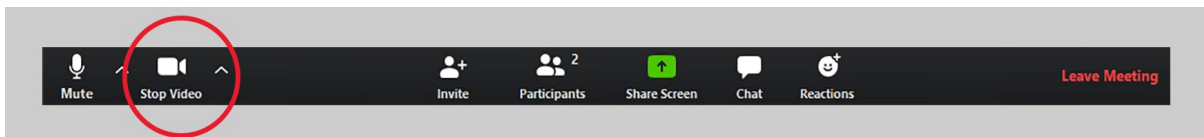
We are doing **show and tell** via Zoom as well. You can send in your high-quality photos of projects you have completed. Watch for a link the week or so before the meeting.

See you next month,
Tech Committee

ZOOM TIPS/TRICKS

We know not everyone is a Zoom expert, so we thought we'd share some things we've learned to make your time using Zoom a little easier for our time together.

At the bottom of your Zoom window, you'll see something that looks similar to the black bar below (though it may not be *exactly* the same.) Depending on your device this may be in a different place.



Audio - Click on the icon to mute or unmute yourself. Click on the arrow to fine tune and test your audio choices. We ask that you keep your audio on mute while we're in the full group meeting, unless asked otherwise.

Video - We love to see your faces! Click on the icon circled in red to show or not show your video. Click on the arrow to see more video options. It's our preference for you to have the video on, although ultimately, it's your choice! When/if in breakout groups, please do turn your video on so your fellow participants can see you.

Participants - Click on the icon to open the Participants window, which includes a list of who else is taking part in the meeting. You can also change your display name here, by clicking on 'More' next to your own name. You can also click on ... in upper right of your screen to rename yourself.

Reactions - At times, we may ask you to raise your hand, which is found when you click on Reactions. You can also clap for your fellow participants or give them a thumbs up! You're always welcome to send your questions, comments, and enthusiasms there as well!

A couple of other tips:

- You can change your view! In the upper right of the main Zoom Screen, you'll see a couple of different icons that change depending on whether the speaker is sharing. We encourage trying out a couple of different options to find what view works best for you.
- Speaker view or gallery view. When a speaker is presenting they will show up as the only one on screen.
- Something we learned the hard way: Zoom likes a restart. The program works best on a laptop or desktop computer, and it benefits from a daily restart of your computer.
- Mute yourself when not speaking. Join the meeting in a quiet space.
- For a quick unmute, hold the space bar down on a PC
- Depending on where you are viewing you may need to swipe or arrow left to see everyone.

Thanks,
Candy, Gail, Gail, Marsha & Darla