



January 2023

# Patchwords

MOONLIGHT QUILTERS OF SONOMA COUNTY ESTABLISHED 1980

## CALENDAR

**January 4: Business Meeting**, 7-8:30pm  
Veterans Memorial Building,  
Santa Rosa

**January 18: Round Robin**,  
7-8:30pm Veterans Memorial  
Building, Santa Rosa

**January 27:** Citrus Fair  
entries due

**February 1: Business Meeting**, 7-8:30pm  
Veterans Memorial Building,  
Santa Rosa

**February 15: Program Meeting**, 7-8:30pm via  
Zoom, Julia Graves, "My  
Quilting Journey"

**February 17-20:** Cloverdale  
Citrus Fair

**February 18:** Zoom  
Workshop with Julia Graves  
"Amazing Abstracts"

**March 1: Business Meeting**, 7-8:30pm  
Veterans Memorial Building,  
Santa Rosa

**March 15: Program Meeting**, 7-8:30pm at  
Veterans Memorial Building,  
Mac McNamara, "Why I make  
Quilts"

## President's Message

Happy Winter Solstice, fellow crafters! Members are still buzzing about the fun Winter Gathering of Quilting Friends!

The food, the fun games and the raffles were so fun! But what stood out for me was the singing, the smiles and the laughter. It felt like we were making a comeback! I hope you all had a great time. Be thinking about if you would like to be involved in the planning next year? It was a lot for me to be a one-man committee, but so many stepped forward and helped me! Thank you to everyone who helped!

Coming up is the famous Round Robin with Round Robin Kaye! It's in person on January 18th. Kay has some wonderful presenters to teach you while you have a cuppa!

Don't forget your #1 UFO project! I finished mine. It was the holiday cat quilt hanging up at the party.

So, new year, new goals, new opportunities and new fabric (most important.) Keep warm and don't ever give up on your dreams, no matter what age you are or what life is handing you! You've got a friend in me.

Sincerely yours,

Denise Raggozino  
MQSCPres@gmail.com

## ***December Show and Tell***

Happy Holidays Moonlighters! There is no report for Show and Tell this December as our December 7th meeting was a festive holiday get together instead of a business meeting. Remember to bring those finished projects to our January 4th meeting.

If you gifted a project and have a photo you would like to be included in the January web site presentation be sure send the photo the email address listed below. Also, if you are attending our meeting via Zoom you may also send your photos so they are included.

Karen Perlis, Show and Tell Coordinator  
[MQSCShowTell@gmail.com](mailto:MQSCShowTell@gmail.com)

## ***Cat and Dog Cuddles***

Thank you to everyone who has donated cat and dog cuddles this year. The animals and their caretakers are so grateful for your lovely work!

Cat and dog cuddles are collected at the business meeting every month. Our next collection day is the January 4 meeting. We bring plenty of fabric, fleece (always a dog and cat favorite), and batting for you to use for cuddles. Feel free to take whatever you like to make cuddles! We have quite a bit to share and would love to get it out of storage and made up into cuddles. The recommended size for cat cuddles is 17" x 25". Dog cuddles should be dog-sized. There are additional details on the web site.

Thank you for your support of this project.

Julie Neff and Janske Silva  
Cat and Dog Cuddles Coordinators  
[mqscatdogcuddles@gmail.com](mailto:mqscatdogcuddles@gmail.com)

## ***February Program and Workshop***

On February 15th, MQSC welcomes Julia Graves to our virtual stage and classroom. Julia's lecture, *My Quilting Journey*, is a reflection of Julia's highs, her lows, and her many lessons learned during 20+ years as a quilter, accompanied by a trunk/slide show of her quilts. The February 18th Zoom workshop, *Amazing Abstractions*, is based on techniques pioneered by Ursula Kern. Examples of this technique have the look of improvisational piecing and many look curvy, but the designs are pre-planned, drawn out, and pieced entirely with straight-line sewing on fabric foundation. An image of one of Julia's quilts is included here. For a more thorough visual overview of this technique and its possibilities, go to Google and conduct an image search (or better, go to Pinterest) of Ursula Kern quilts. You'll want to add this technique to your quilting tool kit. Sign up at the January 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, or send an email to: [MQSCPrograms@gmail.com](mailto:MQSCPrograms@gmail.com)



**Amazing Abstractions  
Workshop 2/18/23**



Ruth Wolf, Jan 7  
Jayne Myers, Jan 9  
Laura Utter, Jan 13  
Cyndi Cunningham, Jan 15  
Leddi Piccinotti, Jan 15  
Joanne Thomas, Jan 23  
Cindy Chadwick, Jan 26  
Cecile Clabaugh, Jan 29

## ***Cloverdale Citrus Fair***

Entries for the Cloverdale Citrus Fair are due by 5:00pm on Friday, January 27. Delivery of the exhibits will take place on Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 5:00 pm.

Citrus Fair will be held February 17-20.

## ***Fat Quarter Frenzy***

The January Fat Quarter theme will be Blue and White. Bring a fat quarter or two, write your name on a ticket and during the meeting there will be drawing - you could take them all home!

Bonnie Buckingham, Fabric Exchange  
Coordinator 2022/23  
MQSCFatQuarters@gmail.com

## ***Round Robin***

Our January 18th Round Robin Workshop will be here before we know it! Plan to join together at the Vets' Building at 7:00 pm for a "Cozy Cuppa" and a pleasant evening of presentations from our very own. You'll be able to rotate around and learn about some easy projects and some skills that you'll be able to incorporate into your own repertoire!

Watch for an e-blast with further information in mid-January. Note: For the Zoomers, there will be no online meeting access that evening; please consider coming in person.

Please contact Kay Hawkins (check the roster for her # or home email -- or use [mqscroundrobin@gmail.com](mailto:mqscroundrobin@gmail.com)) if you have questions or are interested in presenting.

See you on the 18th for cozy cupful and comfy camaraderie!

## ***Block of the Month***

The January Block of the Month will be "Playful Monkey Wrench", and will be due at the February 1<sup>st</sup> business meeting.

Instructions for the block can found on the MQSC Website.

Donna Huckaby  
Block of the Month Co-Chair  
[MQSCBOM@gmail.com](mailto:MQSCBOM@gmail.com)



## ***Vice President Message***

The Great 2022/23 MQSC UFO Challenge continues! Have you been working on your first UFO? Our first challenge number picked at random is #1! Usually, the first one on your list is the one you want to get done the most. Come to the January business meeting with your completed UFO, a picture or description of what you've completed and be entered into the raffle drawing. If you're unable to attend or are zooming the meetings, send a description or picture to MQSCVP@gmail.com. I'll show off your work and you'll be entered in the raffle.

We'll also be picking our second number at the January meeting. So, if you were unable to complete your first challenge, you have another chance to complete our next UFO which will be due in March. Remember, this is about challenging yourself to complete your goal.

For those just hearing about the challenge, pick 5 projects that you would like a little push to get completed or need help getting over the hump for a piece of it. It's never too late to start. Enter a description in the space provided on the UFO challenge form (no need to turn in the form – it is for your reference only). We'll randomly pick a number at the program meeting and that's your next UFO challenge. Check out the challenge on the website for more detailed instructions.

The contracts with the Vets Hall have been signed and our first deposit has been made. We've reserved our space for the 2023 year, including a sewcial in April, fabric sale in June, and a boutique in November.

Lots of new, fun events to keep us sewing and connecting with our quilt friends. I look forward to the new year.

Kathy Vedder  
MQSCVP@gmail.com

## ***Village Sewing, Trifari Jewels Workshop***



Jeanette Walton, our guest speaker from last August, will be teaching a class at Village Sewing Center on January 27<sup>th</sup> and January 28<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a Zoom pre-class for cutting instructions on January 6<sup>th</sup>, which will be recorded for those that cannot attend the live meeting.

The project is Trifari Jewels. It is 45x45, and is easy enough for a beginner. Village Sewing Center has ordered the patterns, and the cost of the workshop is \$125. Sign up online at <https://villagesewing.com/pages/classes>. Please note the class is only listed for Jan 27<sup>th</sup>, but it is both January 27<sup>th</sup> (half day from

12:30 to 5PM) and January 28<sup>th</sup> - (10AM to 6PM). When you sign up Village Sewing Center asks for \$10 payment and they are supposed to redirect you to Jeanette's PayPal link to pay the additional \$115 class fee. If you don't see the link for payment to Jeanette, please contact Village Sewing Center, (707) 544-7529, or contact Jeanette directly via email [jgwalton227@gmail.com](mailto:jgwalton227@gmail.com)



## Thank You Letter from Francine Schwartz

MQSC received the following email from Francine Schwartz, a recipient of a Community Quilt:

Hello,

Today when Becky at the Oncology Center on Round Barn Circle in Santa Rosa was checking me in for a follow-up appt., she said, "I have something for you." I couldn't imagine what it was--something good I hoped. But figured it was probably just some paperwork.

And then she pulled out a paisley patterned cloth bag and inside was a colorful, and as I was soon to discover, BEAUTIFUL quilt that Becky said was for me. You



see, about a year ago I saw an Afghan in the waiting area there. It was an intense dark amethyst color and I was struck by it. It was in a pile of folded Afghans with a sign next to them marked 'FREE'. I was tempted to take it, but I was at the end of my chemo/radiation treatment and felt that someone deserved it more than me. Becky urged me to take it, assuring me that the people who brought their handiwork to the center made the items to be taken and

enjoyed. And then they would make more. But I left it there, feeling it was for someone else.

Today when Becky handed me the bag with the sumptuous quilt inside I was speechless. "I knew this was for you," Becky said. "I put it aside for you because I just knew that." I hugged her, thanked her, feeling very happy and lucky. And zooming in on the fact that there is a very lovely person or persons who made something beautiful to be given to someone they don't even know. Me. The generosity and beauty in that touched me more than I can say. Although I'm trying to here. . .

I've attached a photo of the quilt to be sure you know the quilt I'm talking about. After getting home, I first spread it out on the back of my loveseat. My cat Marmie was quick to discover it and remained there until her dinnertime. (I've since put the quilt on my bed, on top of my duvet which happens to be the very color of the border of the quilt. This will be its home. And as I write this, my cat is curled up on it and once again--quite content. :)

# ***Fabric Sale June 3, 2023***

Hello Moonlight Quilters!

Our annual Fabric Sale is on the calendar for Saturday, June 3, 2023, and I am very excited about being your Team Leader for this event. In years past, the Fabric Sale has made a very respectable amount of money for the Guild, and I have high hopes that this year will be a profitable one as well.

There are many tasks that need to be done, and I have included a list of the major jobs. Please look at it and see what kind of job appeals to you. (Remember to ask your mini group members to join in, too!) And as it is said, many hands make light work.

We will need over 50 volunteers to make this event a success. These jobs are spread over time; some are prep work before the sale, some are working on the sale day, and there are always the dreaded end-of-sale jobs.

I know that June seems like a loooooong time from now, but please take a look and let me know how you would like to help. My contact information is:

Home: 707-823-0344

[MLira4350@comcast.net](mailto:MLira4350@comcast.net)

Thanks a bunch and I hope to hear from you soon!

Marilyn Lira

## **Fabric Sale Jobs**

### ***Early Jobs***

- Donation of fabrics to storage facility or bring to MQSC meeting
- Advertising
- Volunteer coordinator
- Basket Makers
- Legacy contact

### ***Day of Fabric Sale Jobs*** (2 separate shifts: 9am to 1pm; 1pm to 5pm)

- Set up Raffle Baskets
- Raffle ticket sellers
- Transportation to and from the storage unit
- Fabric Sorters
- Hangers
- Cashiers
- Announcers

### ***End of Fabric Sale***

- Break down boxes
- Clean up

# *From Mary Flynn - 2023 Programs at a Glance*

## **February**

Julia Graves

Via Zoom

Lecture: My Quilting Journey

Workshop: Amazing Abstractions

Saturday Workshop

## **March**

Mac McNamara

Live and in-Person

Lecture: Why I Make Quilts

Workshop: Making Fabric with Mac

Sunday Workshop

## **April**

SRQG 5 x 5

Live and in-Person

5 Members of SRQG each bring 5 quilts; A Reciprocal Event

No Workshop

## **May**

Tammy Silvers

Via Zoom

Lecture: Interrogating Your Quilt

Workshop: Faux Curved Piecing

Saturday Zoom Workshop

## **June**

Nancy Brown

Live and in-Person

Lecture: My Animal Quilts

Workshop: Hand Applique the Brown Way (Hand Work)

Sunday In-Person Workshop

## **\*\* July TBA**

Booking in Progress: TBA;

Probably Zoom/Saturday Workshop

## **September**

Maria Shell

Via Zoom

Lecture: Patchwork to Artwork—Journey of an Alaskan Quilt Maker

Workshop: Improv Triangles—Perfectly Pointless (Piece all manner of quilty triangles, ruler-free)

Saturday Zoom Workshop

## **October**

Julie Silber

Live and in-Person

Lecture: Mark My Words—Textiles and Text

No Workshop

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The member year is September 1 to August 31. Confidential scholarships are available. Contact the Membership Chair.

The membership form is available at [www.mqsc.org/membership](http://www.mqsc.org/membership).

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At present, some meetings are in person and some are on Zoom. When we meet in person, we meet at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa, CA.

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