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Although Australia is home and where I'm now living, I often refer to Arlington MA in my conversations as 'back home' as I really did put down roots there. While living in Massachusetts, I used the year 2008 to create a weekly journal quilt of my home and life at that time. I put many of the techniques learned from wonderfully creative teachers and friends into a series called "A Year in the Life of..." as seen on my Flickr site.

The three years I spent living in wonderful New England prompted me to think of what 'home' means to me. This has since lead me to explore the meaning of 'home' and create a series of art quilts based on this theme. Some of these have been recently juried into shows such as Art Quilt Australia 2009 and The New Quilt 2010 in Sydney Australia. I use varied techniques and enjoy combining commercial fabrics with others I have dyed, printed and changed in some way.

Workshop: "Art Quilt Creativity Blueprint."

In creating art quilts and original pieces, ideas sometimes spring to mind, but often they need to be enticed, coaxed and persuaded out! How does one stimulate and generate creativity? Can it be done? I believe it can! In this workshop I will be sharing my particular methodology for how I go about creating and constructing my contemporary quilts. Including my working ideas diary for "A Day in the Life of..." series.

Then, using the very personal theme of 'home' and fabric as our medium we will create a fabric piece while discovering that you can force your creativity by building and implementing a Creativity Blueprint of your own. Unleash the creative creature within, free up your thinking and express those hidden ideas and feelings on the theme of 'home'. It promises to be fun with a splash of Australian stories from 'home' thrown in.