

# *Quiltations*

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*September, 2003*

## ***Dear Members:***

There is a chill in the air as I write this and that means only one thing as far as quilting goes. That my battle between garden and studio, flowers and fabric, veggies and thread has been resolved for another year. I love this bittersweet time of year. I love tackling my design wall and a pile of fabric in the morning and then processing tomatoes in the afternoon. And with the chill in the air comes another year of QC.

Since this is only my fourth year in the guild, I am truly honored to be your president. I am continually impressed with this organization – with its vitality and its traditions, with its breadth and variety of membership and with the many thoughtful voices that speak to what QC is, has been, should be. I hope to help move QC forward this year while acting as a good steward for the guild. I hope to meet all of you who I don't know and to get to know better those that I already do know. I hope that we have fun this year and that starts with Show and Tell. I hope you all bring your beautiful quilts and share them with us. I have heard it from so many members, and I completely concur, that this night serves as inspiration all the way until the show fuels us again in May. I am also encouraged by the list of volunteers on the roster. We have an energetic, committed group that is looking forward to working on behalf of QC. We do have several positions still open and would welcome your involvement. Ruth Starrett has signed on for the important role of nominator. If and when she calls you, I hope you will say yes to her friendly nudges. It has been said before, but it is true, the best way to meet more members of the guild and to feel more connected to this vibrant group is to get involved.

What brings us together is our love of fabric, our love of stitching – our love of the quilt. I look forward to seeing your unique contribution to the world of quilting at Show and Tell and to spending time with you at QC this year.

## ***Heidi***

President, 2003-2004

## **Next Board Meeting**

October 6, 2003

The meeting will be held in the parlor at FPUUC at 7:30 p.m. Please call Heidi Bercovici if you plan to attend or have agenda items.

## **Quiltations Deadline:**

October Issue – October 1, 2003

My email address is:

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

Hard copy or files may be sent to my home address. Disk files or email attachments should be preformatted. Please use Microsoft Word or RTF (rich text format) if possible.

Thank you –

## **Ken Gullotti**

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**Don't Forget  
"Show And Tell"  
Wednesday, Sept 24  
See you There!!!**

## 2003-2004 Quilters' Connection Officers and Committees

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### Board of Directors

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Heidi Bercovici (President)

### News And Notes

**Heidi Bercovici** will have a solo show of work created using shibori-dyed fabric at Stevens Memorial Library in Ashburnham, MA from October 1-31. Opening reception is Saturday, October 11. It will begin with an artist talk from 2-2:30 p.m. with the reception immediately following, until 5:00 p.m. **Heidi** will also be teaching a two-day workshop on shibori-dyeing techniques at the Worcester Art Museum, on October 18 and 19. For more information, please contact the Museum at 508-799-4406 ext. 3129 or go to [www.worcesterart.org](http://www.worcesterart.org) and click on Education.

**Gladys Perkins'** quilt, Different Viewpoints, has been selected to be part of the 2003 Tactile Architecture exhibit

5 Swimmers in Contemporary Waters, Round Top Center for the Arts: Damariscotta, Maine. August 1 to August 29th, 2003  
Quilts by: **Rhoda Cohen, Sylvia Einstein, Nancy Halpern, Beatriz Grayson and Ruth McDowell** For directions: <http://www.roundtoparts.org/> (The site still does not mention the show.)

A quilt block of **Ethel Shulam** was chosen for the Quilting Arts magazine 2004 calendar. It will be the March page. You can see this lovely calendar (and Ethel's quilt) by logging onto the following website:

[www.quiltingarts.com/level\\_2/Shoppe/calendar/calendar.html](http://www.quiltingarts.com/level_2/Shoppe/calendar/calendar.html)  
- Click on "View Back Cover PDF" to see all the pages of the calendar.

Also, last November Ethel Shulam was interviewed at the Houston International Quilt Festival. You can read this interview on the Alliance for Quilts website at: [www.quiltcenter.org](http://www.quiltcenter.org) - Click on sos (save our stories). There is a picture of Ethel with her quilt plus a close-up of the quilt and the whole interview.

### Membership News

This year we will be accepting 39 new members! A Reception for new members will be held prior to the September meeting in the Church's parlor 5:30 – 7:00 pm. Come to the September meeting early and join us in welcoming them.

The membership address book will be distributed at the October meeting. If you have address changes please let me know as soon as possible. If you have email address changes please email them to me. See you at Show & Tell.

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## **Quilt Photos Wanted for QC Website**

We would like to put photos of quilts from the 2003 Quilt Show on the website. **Susan Hargrave** did a stupendous job of creating an on-line quilt show from the slides of the 1999 quilts – if you haven't seen it, do visit it at [www.quiltersconnection.org](http://www.quiltersconnection.org) (click on on-line quilt show). Scanning and editing the slides to produce these pages was a really monumental amount of work. With the proliferation of scanners and digital cameras since that time, we're hoping that many of you have or can easily get digital images of your quilts. It will really expedite matters if we don't have to do all the scanning. If you can help with images of your quilts (jpg format is best), please email them to me at [sc.knapp@verizon.net](mailto:sc.knapp@verizon.net). Thanks for your help.

**Suzanne Knapp**

## **Library News Sept 2003**

### **Welcome New Members**

For those who are new to QC, we have an extensive library of books and magazines available for borrowing before and after each meeting on tables set up in the front left corner of the meeting room. Our magazine subscriptions include American Quilter, Quilting Arts, and Art/Quilt. New books are purchased each year with a budget from your dues. Please note any books you think many of us would enjoy and call us or give us a note at our meetings. We also get 2 free books twice a year of their choice from That Patchwork Place.

We hope all our members will make use of the library every month because we have many more books and magazines on hand than space to store them at the church in Arlington. You may take as many items home as you like but please return them at the next meeting for someone else to enjoy. If you can't attend the next meeting, send your materials back with another member. Each summer we make a big effort to retrieve long lost library materials. Let's set a record this year for borrowing and returning lots of books and magazines every single month.

### **Overdue books**

Over the summer, Martha went through the book cards and notified everyone by e-mail, phone, or letter of the books that were overdue. Please make sure you search for them and bring them to the first meeting in September so others can enjoy them again. When you do return them, please mention that they were overdue so we can cross them off our list.

### **New England Quilt Museum Library**

If we don't have the book you want in the guild library, it may be available at the museum. Since Martha volunteers there regularly, museum members can contact her and borrow museum library books at the next QC meeting. You can

become a museum member for \$40 per year (\$25 for seniors) at any QC meeting by seeing Martha.

### **New Books**

"The Quilts of Gee's Bend" is a beautiful coffee table book with photos and essays about the traveling exhibition that has received so much national attention this year. The quilts were all made by African-American quilters in an isolated rural community in Alabama and are now hanging as contemporary art in galleries from Houston to the Whitney Museum in New York. The exhibit will be seen at the MFA in Boston from June 1 to August 21, 2005. The photos show the quilts, the quilters, and historic images of their community taken during the 1930s.

Thanks to Carol Telsey for a copy of Freddys House and Amy Robertson for 3 more back issues of Quilting Arts Magazine donated at the May meeting.

### **New Magazine over the summer**

American Quilter. Fall 2003 has several good articles in addition to the 30+ pages of winning quilts from the show in Paducah in April. Topics include a discussion on machine quilting between Harriet Hargrave and Diane Gaudynski, how to hold a fund-raising quilt auction, how to buy and sell through on-line auctions, and what's involved in a quilt appraisal.

### **Book Order Suggestions**

#### **Quilters' Connection Library Book Purchase Suggestions**

Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Author \_\_\_\_\_  
Source \_\_\_\_\_  
Suggested by \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

give to Martha Supnik at meeting or mail to me at  
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Diana Dow 617-624-6114

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Please note that my new e-mail address is  
[Martha@Supnik.org](mailto:Martha@Supnik.org) and save it in your address book. Thanks.

## NEQM News

We wanted to let you know about NEQM upcoming exhibitions and special workshops. There is more detailed information about the programs and exhibitions on our web site at [www.NEQiltmuseum.org](http://www.NEQiltmuseum.org).

### Star Quilts in Lowell

This fall the New England Quilt Museum will be presenting two exhibitions of star quilts. Let It Shine: Improvisation in African-American Star Quilts (September 11 November 9, 2003) is an exhibition of twenty-three improvisational quilts made by twenty quiltmakers. Because stars are arguably the most popular patterns for antique American quilts, Sleeping Under the Stars (November 13, 2003 January 10, 2004) will explore the many different styles of nineteenth century star quilts.

Have you heard about the auction the NEQM Board of Directors is holding to raise funds for the New England Quilt Museum on October 19? It is called "It's in the Bag!" and will feature all kinds of bags for all purposes. Quilters are making some, local artists will make some and board members are seeking them out in antique shops, sport shops and coming up with their own inventions like a "doggy bag" filled with pet treats, etc. The hope is that everyone will come to buy holiday gifts as well as presents for themselves.

Everybody who sends a donation gets a free pass to the event. Please send your donation to: New England Quilt Museum Auction, 18 Shattuck Street, Lowell, MA 01852  
Or you could have someone coming to the museum drop it off for you. Please send donations to arrive by October 1, 2003

Donna Wilder, President of Free Spirit Fabrics, will begin the afternoon at 2 PM with a trunk show of her exciting fabrics and she is offering prizes for the best bags made and donated. This will be followed by the auction and a reception with fabulous food and drink. The event ends at 6 PM.

### Workshops

#### Crazy Quilt Square

with Gretchen Clements

Learn the construction and stitching techniques. The morning will focus on stitching with machine. The afternoon will be the time for learning five embroidery stitches. Saturday, September 27 10:00-3:30 \$40M/ \$55NM

#### Make A Family of Wee Dolls

with Salley Mavor

As in Salley's book "Felt Wee Folk", she will be instructing techniques for making these magical people. Saturday, November 8, 10:00-3:30 \$45 M/\$60 NM

The Museum will be free to the public September 11-14  
It's In the Bag Auction, October 19, 2-6 PM  
Opening Receptions  
Saturday, September 13  
Let It Shine  
Trunk Show  
Sisters in Stitches Quilt Guild, 1:00  
Free Reception follows

Saturday, November 15  
Sleeping Under The Stars  
Mass Quilts Slides & Lecture, 1:00  
Free reception follows



## Calendar

### BERKSHIRE QUILT FESTIVAL

Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 11 and 12, the festival will be held from 10 to 5 both days at Berkshire Community College in Pittsfield. According to Faith Mong, festival coordinator, this year's theme will be "Attic Treasures." Quilts, quilted wall decorations, and quilted clothing will be on display. Events include a quilt block contest, titled Dresden Plate, and a quilt raffle. Quilts, quilting supplies, and some gift items will be on sale. Admission to the event will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for children under 12.

On Saturday September 20, Thimble Pleasures Quilt Guild in Mendon, MA will present a workshop by MAXINE FARKAS entitled "FOAMING, STAMPING AND GENERAL MISCHIEF". This workshop will be held at the Mendon Senior Center from 9 AM to approximately 2 PM. Maxine Farkas uses fabric collage in an illustrative way. With humor and irony she comments on social politics. Cost is \$45 for non-members of Thimble Pleasures, as long as space allows. Please register by contacting Susan Arena at 508-473-1766 or Coral Barry at 508-476-2980 or [sewsimple@charter.net](mailto:sewsimple@charter.net).

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## **The Old Deerfield Quilt Challenge**

DEERFIELD, MA: Memorial Hall Museum

May 1-October 31, 2003

"Old Deerfield Quilt Challenge: Mrs. Carpenter's Glory" is an exhibition consisting of eight contemporary quilts created for a quilt challenge sponsored by Memorial Hall Museum, in partnership with the Hands Across the Valley Quilters Guild in Amherst, MA. One of the quilts is by **Sylvia Einstein**.

There is more info on the bottom of Sylvia's web page <http://sheinstein.addr.com/Invitation2.html>

## **UPCOMING SHOWS:**

September 13-14

QUIET VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD presents BENNINGTON QUILTFEST, Mount Anthony Union High School, Park Street, Bennington, VT  
Featured Quilter and Lecturer (1:00 both days): Marge Edie - Special Exhibit: "Quilting Today" challenge quilts - Vendors, Food Service, Vintage Quilts, Raffle Quilt + additional door prizes, Demonstrations, Challenge Quilts - Admission \$5 - - - Handicapped Accessible

September 13 & 14 - (10 AM - 4 PM)  
SQUANICOOK COLONIAL QUILT GUILD  
QUILT SHOW North Middlesex High School, Route 119, Townsend, MA. Contact: Ellen at [brian.feltus@verizon.net](mailto:brian.feltus@verizon.net)

Sept 27 -  
Patchwork Pals of Lowell (MA)  
978-674-0137

October 4 - 5  
COMMON THREADS QUILT GUILD of Hyde Park, VT presents their Autumn Quilt Show Hyde Park Elementary School. Contact [marydick3@yahoo.com](mailto:marydick3@yahoo.com)

(SHOWS cont.)

October 25 - 26 (Saturday/Sunday - 10 AM to 4 PM)  
- Admission \$5.00

COCHECO QUILT GUILD presents "United We Quilt" 22nd Annual Quilt Show Rochester Community Center, Off Wakefield Street (Route 125), Rochester, NH

150+ quilts, vendors, raffle, demonstrations, penny sale, "moving exhibit" of wearable art. Special exhibit to benefit NH National Guard families  
Contact: CQG Attn: Sharon LaClair PO Box 1153, Dover, NH 03821-1153  
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## **Carol Anne Grotrian Upcoming Events**

**Oct 2-5: Lion's Gate Quilters Guild Seminar**, Vancouver, British Columbia; workshops

**Oct 25-26: Shibori Workshop**, Cambridge Center for Adult Education, 617-547-6790 or [www.ccae.org](http://www.ccae.org)

**Dec : Holly Fair** (scarves) , Cambridge Center for Adult Education  
617-547-6790 or [www.ccae.org](http://www.ccae.org)



## **2003 – 2004 Quilters' Connection Programs and Workshops**

September 24, 2003	Show & Tell
October 22, 2003	Lecture: <b>Ruth McDowell</b>
December 3, 2003	Holiday Party and Boutique
January 28, 2004	Lecture: Patricia "Pokey" Bolton, Publisher of QuiltingArts
February 25, 2004	Lecture: <b>Amy Ropple</b>
February 28, 2004	Workshop: <b>Amy Ropple</b>
March 24, 2004	Lecture: Diane Hire, "Oxymorons: Absurdly Logical Quilts"
March 27, 2004	Workshop: Diane Hire
April 28, 2004	Lecture: Susan Shie, "Outsider Art Quilts"
May 6-8, 2004	QUILT SHOW
May 26, 2004	Lecture: Freddie Moran
May 28, 2004	Workshop: Freddie Moran (date to be confirmed)

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