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# **Common Threads**

# Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc. Incoproated August 1980



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# March 11th Guild Meeting

9:00 am - Doors Open 10:00 am - General Business Meeting

Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, 8231 Callaghan Rd, San Antonio, TX 78230

#### **\*UPDATE / CHANGE**

Nova Montgomery will be rescheduling due to illness..

RUTH FELTY TALKS ABOUT HAWAIIAN QUILTS

# Remember to bring to the meeting

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- Name tag (wear it)
- Library books, & DVDs
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for everyone

#### President's Letter

Did you enjoy the shorter business meeting in February? I hope the extra social time gave you a chance to visit with each other and with our guests and new members.

Remember to download the boot block pattern for our May contest. You'll find it through the programs tab on our website. I suspect Sandra has more fun projects coming up, but of course I'm not privy to all her secrets! Thanks to Alicia Santiago, Cathy Wallace, Dea Jae Shore, and Mary McCarthy for their wonderful mini demos. When you make something using what you learned, show it off at Bring & Brag. Do you have a special technique or simple pattern you'd like to share? Tell Sandra Lowell you'll teach in a mini demo at a future meeting.

Both long-time and new members are answering our call for volunteers. Viki Ash reports that Cathy Wallace and Ruth Felty have joined the Storybook Quilts Committee. Sharon Kelley and Eileen Lenaris are on the Welcome Committee with Sylvia Jolet. The Welcome Committee still needs additional people to assist with welcoming and orienting guests and new Guild members. Please contact Sylvia if you can help.

Mary Ruth Flores is the new chair of QPC. Nancy Beasley and Lani Nunley will be working with her. Show chair Sandy Doyle and her committee are grateful to the new volunteers who have stepped up to help. The show committee still needs help with the boutique, silent auction, and social media. All volunteers are greatly appreciated!

Sincerely, Elaine

## Congtratulations Winners! Door Prize & Golden Carrot Winners:













#### 2023 Programs

March - UPDATE! Nova has to reschedule due to illness! Our own Ruth Felty has stepped up. She will be talking about Hawaiian Quilts. If you have a Hawaiian Quilt, please bring it to Bring & Brag.

#### April

April 8 - Joint meeting with African American Quilt Circle of San Antonio. This should be exciting! I am hoping this will be a mutual bring and brag. Their style of quilting is so different from ours!

#### May

May 13 - Guild Work Day! Stay and work on projects for Bright Hopes, QPC, Show, or Community Quilt Angels. Lunch will be provided for those who stay.

Sandra

#### 2023 Summer Retreat - Winter in July!

It's that time again ladies! Registration for summer retreat will begin at the February guild meeting.

Dates: Wed July 19-Sun July 23, 2023

Location: John Newcombe Tennis Ranch, New

Braunfels, TX

**Cost:** \$395/person

Info form and your minimum \$100 deposit is due at signup. Payment in full is due no later than May Guild meeting. If you have any questions, please contact:

**Linda Casias email:** lindacasias2021@gmail.com cell: 210-381-3519

Linda Maldonado email: jmaldonado125@att.net cell: 210-716-1407

#### BUSY FINGERS WORKSHOP



JEANNETTE JAY - BAGINEER BAG MAKING CLASSES IN MY HOME STUDIO

> SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 210-219-8880 busyfingerssa@sbcglobal.net

instagram.com/mamajay55 etsy.com/shop/busyfingersworkshop

#### WALKER RANCH BEE

We have a NEW quilting bee at Walker Ranch senior center on 835 W. Rhapsody off West Ave. It will be the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1 pm. The center is open late on Wednesday so we can sew as long as we want.

You MUST be a member in the senior system. But it is free to join. Sign up online or at any senior center. When you go into the center you will need to check in at the desk. They even serve free meals beginning at 11 am.

You won't believe this room. How big!! how bright!! Lots of plugs for our machines. Come join us the 3rd Wednesday of March and it's FREE

Questions? Call Shirley Carter at 210-452-3801 or email Shirley.carter9243@gmail.com.

#### **NEWSLETTER INPUT**

**DEADLINE** is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail: quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org

#### **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING**

\$10.00

\$110

Monthly Yearly Full page ad \$6
1/2 page ad
(horizontal - 7 x 4
vertical - 3 3/8 x
1/4 page ad
Business card (2 x 3.5) \$60.00 \$660 \$30.00 \$330 (horizontal - 7 x 4 3/4 vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2) \$15.00 \$165

All guild members may advertise in the newslettter one free business card size each year. Must be guilt related.

#### **GSAQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 6, 2023**

President Elaine Staller called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. Present: Elaine Staller, Dea Jae Shore, Melissa Allo, Cindy Shutt, Sandy Doyle, Ina Ramirez, Jean Hardies, Mary McCarthy, Gail Clover. Not present: Sandra Lowell (written report submitted).

#### President - Elaine Staller

- 1. The January Board Meeting Minutes were approved as written.
- 2. Saint Andrews contract additional information for 2023 discussed.
- 3. February general meeting items to review with guild members:
- Suggestion box (member suggestions) items received.
  - Board member pictures and job descriptions.
  - Periodic small online auctions.
  - Have board members stand at front of meeting.
  - Have beginning sewing instructions at sew in days.
  - Have a flag present and say the Pledge of Allegiance at meetings.
  - Have a step ladder with handle at the stage to help with stepping up and down from stage.
  - The guild needs a better sound system.
  - When asking for volunteers, please give a 1 to 2 sentence statement about the duties that need to be performed.
  - Give class level (beginner, intermediate, advanced) for the programs.
- 5. Calico Rose recipients discussed and approved.

#### President Pro Tem - Dea Jae Shore

- 1. New membership person volunteered.
- 2. Motion made and passed to purchase a laptop computer.

#### Secretary - Melissa Allo

1. One phone called received since last meeting.

#### Treasurer - Cindy Shutt

- 1. The current total balance is \$68,828.68.
- 2. CD's are maturing, motion made and passed to reinvest money.

#### 1st VP for Special Events – Sandra Doyle

- 1. Winter retreat had 40 people.
- 2. Mini Retreat is scheduled for 3/31 4/1. Sign-ups will begin in February.
- 3. Summer retreat date is July  $19^{th} 23^{rd}$ , 2023. Sign-ups will begin in February.
- 4. Show over half of vender spots currently sold, ad sales are starting to come in, jotform for quilt entry will be up and running soon.

#### 2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez – no report

#### 3rd VP for Special Programs - Sandra Lowell

- Mini demos for February are ready to go.
- 2. The next block challenge will be revealed in February.
- 3. March Friday class has 1 opening. A waitlist will be started.
- 4. March Saturday class very few have signed up.
- 5. 2024 programs ideas have been started.
- 6. Sandra has asked for assistance with moving equipment for meetings.

#### 4th VP for Services - Jean Hardies

- 1. Oralia Aves has stepped up as the new Bee Keeper.
- 2. Mary-Ruth Flores and Lani Nunley will be working with QPC.

#### 5th VP for Community Outreach - Mary McCarthy

- Bright Hopes, Linda Nash no report.
- 2. Community Education, Oralia Aves reports they will participate in the Texas Parks and Wildlife event on Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup>. The San Antonio Public Library has asked for a program about quilting for Women's History Month in March.
- 3. Storybook Quilts, Viki Ash reports 16 kits were distributed to four locations in January. The End of Year report states there were 11,251 veiwers of story books in 2022.
- 4. Community Quilt Angels, Janet Miller reports they will meet February 23rd and continue to make quilts for veterans.

#### Parliamentarian – Gail Clover – no report

Old Business: Work session to finalize bylaws updates to present to membership has been confirmed.

New Business: General information, policies and standing committees will be updated in 2023.

Meeting adjourned: 8:16 p.m. Minutes submitted by: Melissa Allo, Secretary

#### **GSAQG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES - February 11, 2023**

#### **President - Elaine Staller**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.
  - The January general meeting minutes stand approved as published in the newsletter.
  - Survey responses were discussed.
- Notice the Bylaws would be updated. Any suggestions, please contact appropriate position.
- 3. Calaco Rose given to Melissa Allo and Carrie Beltran for work on Winter Retreat.
- 4. Door prizes Jeanette Jay, Cyd Hughes.
- 5. Golden Carrot prizes Barbara Sumlin, Maritza Recuero, Debra Frazier and Margie Swaney

#### Secretary – Melissa Allo

1. 2 phone calls received. 2 people looking for help with quilts.

#### Treasurer - Cindy Shutt

1. Cash on hand \$65,828.68.

#### President Pro-Tem - Dea Jae Shore

- 1. Today is the last day for member to have name in the current directory.
- 2. Directory will be ready for pick up in March.

#### 1st VP for Special Programs - Sandy Doyle

- 1. Spring Mini retreat will be 3/31 4/1 at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church. Linda Kirk will lead. Sign-ups began. \$35. 4 openings left.
- 2. Summer Retreat will be 7/19 7/23 at John Newcomb Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels. Sign-ups began. \$100 deposit, total cost \$395. 10 openings left.
- Quilt Show
  - The raffle quilt will be at Sew Special during the Blue Bonnet Shop Hop (March 22 April 1). Volunteers are needed to sell tickets. Contact Janet Miller to schedule raffle quilt traveling information and ticket sales.
  - Jot Form for quilt entry will be available online soon. Categories will be posted on the guild website. Entries \$15 per quilt for members, \$20 per quilt for non-members.
  - There will be a quilt appraiser at the show. More info to come in upcoming months.
  - No fabric, books, kits, or patterns are to be sold in silent auction or the boutique. Boutique items will have a portion of sales for guild portion and taxes (approximately 28% together)
  - Volunteers needed for: Silent Auction chair, Publicity and a Database person.

#### 2nd VP for Information - Ina Ramirez

 Announced she had emails returned. Ina has asked that if you did not receive the current newsletter, please check your email address with her.

#### 3rd VP for Programs - Sandra Lowell

- 1. Boot Scootin' Block challenge announced. Block pattern on the website. Blocks are due at the May meeting. Door prizes for the top 5 blocks.
- 2. March Nova Montgomery Friday class Featherweight Spa Day. Saturday class Quilt As You Go Posies
- 3. April Combined meeting with the African American Quilt Circle of San Antonio
- 4. May Guild workday. Please sign up with a committee.
- 5. June Linda Kirk will be presenting on her usage of the Ethel Howey grant.
- 6. July Garage sale day. Tables are \$10 each. Can have 1 or 2 tables. No kitchen stuff!

#### 4th VP for Services – Jean Hardies (not present – report sent)

- Oralia Aves will be the new Beekeeper.
- 2. Mary-Ruth Flores is the new chair for QPC.

#### 5th VP for Community Outreach – Mary McCarthy

- 1. Bright Hopes, Linda Nash reports 100 quilts were given to Roy Maas. 18 other quilts were given to children in counseling groups. Linda is asking for help with quilting on the quilts.
- Community Education, Oralia Aves reported on upcoming events. February 22 will be at Roosevelt ES, Library has asked
  for a presentation about women in history, April 2023 will be the 100<sup>th</sup> years of the park system. Lano Park has asked for
  quilters to come and show and explain their work.
- 3. Storybook Quilts, Viki Ash no report submitted.
- 4. Community Quilt Angels, Janet Miller reports there is nothing to report.

Guests - 1

#### Parliamentarian - Gail Clover - nothing to report

#### **General Announcements:**

New business - none

Old business – none

Member attendance - 60 Meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m. New members – 2 Name tag fine collection - \$0.25

Minutes submitted by Melissa Allo, Secretary

#### 3.2023 Pieces of the Past, 155: Early Solar System Quilts, by Ellen Hernandez



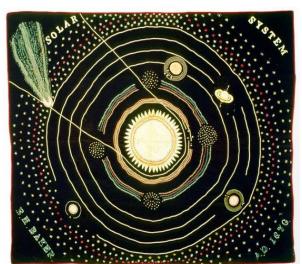
Eliza Sumner of Spencer, MA made a blue, white and yellow cambric celestial pieced and appliqued duvet cover in 1848 to document her family tree. It was a gift to her mother, Lucena, and was to remain in the family, having room to add family member names. Custom printed religious verses and statements were attached. Some of the yellow fabric is silk called *sarsnet*, often used as a dress lining. Yellow gingham is also used along with porcelain buttons and brass studs. The block designs had to be carefully calculated to include several constellations. Eliza and six of her siblings died before Lucena, and no names were added to the quilt. Eliza's brother William and his family inherited the quilt until the Sumner house was sold in the 1990s. The quilt is now in a private collection.

In 1853 the First Exhibition of the Metropolitan Mechanics' Institute in Washington, D.C. was held in the new hall of the Patent Office. It was advertized "for the promotion and

encouragement of manufactures, commerce, and the mechanic and **useful arts.**" The Committee added that they "respectfully solicit from the fair ladies of our citiy those specimens of elegant handiwork which in other places have always formed so important and attractive a feature of these displays." Among the classifications of expected entries such as mining and farm products and machines was "Miscellanous and Small Wares" and "Fine and Decorative Arts." Over 118 quilts were exhibited, including M. F. Saffel's "Astronomical Quilt, #773." No photo is available. The original record of entries and awards can be found on books.google.com. The variety of entries and details are astounding.



Ellen Harding Baker of Iowa made a solar system quilt dated 1876 that took seven years to complete. News of the quilt was detailed in the New York Times in 1883. Baker was mother to seven children and a science teacher. She used the quilt to illustrate her astronomy lectures. To prepare her design, she visited the Chicago Observatory for celestial details. The large green tailed comet is thought to be Coggia, visible to the naked eye and first seen in France in 1874, and even



recorded that same year by members of Custer's expedition in the SD Black Hills. Pluto was not included as it was not discovered until 1930. The quilt is wool with cotton batting, a red backing, and is embroidered with silk and wool. It

measures 89" x 106". Baker died at age 39 from tuberculosis. Her granddaughters gave the quilt to the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. in 1983.

Jennifer Harris published a children's book about Baker and the quilt, "She Stitched the Stars."

During the COVID pandemic Maria Popova created a Baker Solar System quilt inspired face mask which is still available online at society6.com.





Boutique news....

The 2023 show will be here before you know it!!! So exciting!!! I am accepting items to be sold in the boutique at every meeting up to the show. For newer members, the Guild has a boutique at the show where your items can be sold. Items must be sewing or quilting related. The guild will collect a 20% commission off the sales price. The sales price placed on the item must include this 20% as well as about 8% for retail sales tax. Keep your prices in increments of .25¢ so I don't have to have so much change on hand. One-dollar increments are even better!!!

I will be setting up the boutique the Wednesday and Thursday before the show and can accept items at the hall. An inventory sheet <u>must be filled out</u> and <u>every item must be on the sheet</u>. Every item <u>must be tagged</u> with the price and your unique inventory code. I prefer to NOT accept items once the show starts.

I have inventory sheets you can fill out, or you can turn in your own. If you do your own, it must include your contact info (name, address, email, phone number), a unique inventory control number, and the item number, description and price of each item. By submitting either form, you are agreeing to work one 2-hour session in the boutique and myself, the guild, or the Shriners Hall cannot be held liable for any loss or damage to your items. Your items must be self-insured. Your unique inventory code can be your initials, a series of 3-4 numbers or a combination of both. That is how we will identify you when an item is sold to be sure you get paid! Doing your own spreadsheet and creating your tags with mail merge is the way to go!!!

I will accept one or one hundred items. For the 2023 show you CANNOT sell kits, fabric, books or magazines. This is due to space limitations and to not compete with the vendors. Every item you want in the boutique must be on an inventory sheet and <u>must be tagged</u>. I will have inventory forms at any meeting or email me to send you an excel spreadsheet. The tags can be of any form or fashion. Each tag must have your unique inventory code, name of the item, item number and the sales price. If you have room on the tag, put your name on it, just as an extra way to give you credit! Remember, the sales price will have about 28% taken out. Inventory forms are on the website as well.

We cannot take any items that are not tagged. It is the only way we can control the inventory and give you credit when something is sold. You are responsible for picking up any unsold items at the end of the show.

Jeannette Jay
210-219-8880
jayjay@sbcglobal.net

QPC

We will be reorganizing the QUILT PROJECT COMMITTEE. QPC will have the first meeting Monday April 3, 2023 at 1pm. We will meet at Western Hills Christian Church at 8535 Huebner Rd San Antonio, TX 78240 United States, which is at the corner of Huebner and Eckhert Rd. Everyone is welcome

Come one, come all if you would like to support the Guild, if you have a project in mind that you would like to try out, also if you are having a problem with a project, bring it and we'll have various opinions on how to continue it! The goal of this group is to provide single block kits to introduce different methods of block construction and give the members a chance to try out a new block, or technique, or method. The committee will make up the kits and make them available at the meetings for members to check them out. When you bring the completed block back you can ask for it to be looked at and see if how you did, or you can just turn it in! Each block completed and turned in gets a ticket to enter the Golden Carrot Drawing for a door prize!

I'm going to try to find a YouTube DIY for each project so if you have questions you don't have to wait for the next months meeting for help! But you can always call or email Mary-Ruth for help!

This is a nice way to support the Guild once a month, and continue or improve your skills! We will be cutting, designing, packing kits, using the Accuquit, fixing mistakes, and solving quilting problems. We won't be taking about politics! So this should be a nice stress relieving quilting adventure using the Guild's fabric stash!

I hope to see you there!!

Mary-Ruth Flores

mrlf357@gmail.com

210-410-4337 please leave a message





March 22 - April 1, 2023

Visit Every Shop & You Can Win!

#### **GRAND PRIZE:**



2 Night Quilt Retreat for Up to 8 People!

#### GIFT CERTIFICATES TO EACH STORE

FIRST PLACE \$900 Total Value!

SECOND PLACE \$450 Total Value! | THIRD PLACE \$180 Total Value!

**& PRIZE BASKETS!** 

#### PARTICIPATING SHOPS

Austin Sewing

Machines

Round Rock, TX

B & B Quilting
Buda, TX

Gone Quiltin' Bandera, TX HollyDee Quilts Luling, TX

Memories
by the Yard
San Antonio, TX

Mesquite Bean Fabrics San Antonio, TX

> Honey Bee Quilt Store Austin, TX

Sew Special
Quilts
San Antonio, TX

See full details on www.BluebonnetShopHop.net



# **Guild Veterans**

Guild member: Are you a veteran who served honorably in any of the five branches of the US military or US Coast Guard? You have not received a Veteran's Honor Quilt or Quilt of Valor but you would like to receive a quilt. If you answer yes, please complete this form.

Name		
Phone_		
Email		

The Guild will honor veteran members at the November meeting.

Return to: Janet Miller or Barbara Sumlin or Mary McCarthy or mail to GSAQG, PO Box 380522, San Antonio, TX 78268

Greater San Anto	nio Quilt Guild				
Treasurer's Report					
For the Two Months ending February 28, 2023					
	YTD Actual	2023			
		Budget			
REVENUES					
Ordinary Income:					
Interest	\$0.02	\$200.00			
CD Interest	\$24.49				
Other income					
Garage Sale					
Magazine Sales					
Nametage Fines	\$3.55				
Newsletter Postage	\$15.00				
Dues - Membership	\$3,157.00	\$3,000.00			
Newsletter / Directory Ads	\$165.00	\$250.00			
Workshops	\$1,200.00	\$1,100.00			
Fund Raising:					
Quilt Show	\$5,270.00	\$51,480.00			
Raffle Quilt	\$205.00	\$5,500.00			
Challenge Quilt Contest	\$130.00	\$590.00			
Auction					
Self-Sustaining:					
Retreat - Summer	\$4,910.00	\$12,000.00			
Retreat - Winter	\$13,235.00	\$12,000.00			
Mini-Retreats	\$945.00	\$1,000.00			
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00			
One Time Donation	\$1.00				
Total Revenues	\$29,261.06	\$90,120.00			
EXPENSES					
Administration:					
Administration	\$108.24	\$400.00			
Bank & CC	\$147.30	\$500.00			
Insurance	\$161.60	\$2,000.00			
Office Supplies & Postage		\$200.00			
CPA / Tax Return		\$600.00			
Door Prizes					
Telephone	\$20.10	\$250.00			
Storage facility	\$684.00	\$4,000.00			
Rent (Meetings)	\$560.00	\$3,360.00			
Rent (Workshops)		\$500.00			
Janitorial	\$25.00	\$600.00			
Membership expenses:					
Membership Supplies		\$50.00			
Membership Drive (Ads)		\$350.00			

Newsletter / Directory Printing		\$200.00
Postage		\$50.00
Zoom Subscription	\$160.02	\$160.00
Webpage		\$280.00
Quilt Show	\$59.60	\$41,970.00
Challenge Quilt Contest Prizes		
Auction		\$-
Community Activities:		
Bright Hopes		\$800.00
Storybook Quilts		\$250.00
Community Education		\$150.00
Quilt Angels		\$500.00
Membership Services & Activities:		
Ethel Howey Grant		\$1,000.00
Library		\$150.00
QPC		\$150.00
QPFC		\$150.00
Video Library		
Programs		\$2,500.00
Workshops	\$426.91	\$1,000.00
Self-Sustaining Activities:		
Mini-Retreats		\$1,000.00
Retreat - Summer		\$12,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$13,235.00	\$12,000.00
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00
Total Expenses	\$15,587.77	\$90,120.00
Net	\$13,673.29	\$-
Ending Frost Operating	\$44,463.62	
Ending Frost Savings	\$1,114.54	
SSFCU CD's & Savings	\$13,645.17	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$12,736.58	
Liabilities		
Fenced for new CD	\$(10,000.00)	
Total Guild Funds	\$61,959.91	
Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		

Last Month's Mystery Bring and Brag was on our February 2016 Bring & Brag link. Go browse and enjoy the other wonderful items shown!

#### **2023 Quilt Show Update**

(September 22nd & 23rd, 2023) --- Sandy Doyle & Gail Clover

The 2023 Quilt Show will be here sooner than you think! "Weathering the Storms Together" is the theme. Reflecting on the last few years struggle made me appreciate and recognize how important relationships are in our lives. I think that the theme "Weathering the Storms Together" perfectly depicts our comradery and bond with each other.

Updated quilt entry rules and categories are now listed on the guild website. Please make sure you read the rules and categories carefully, as there have been some changes. An online form is now active on the website for quilt entries, and we already have quilts entered. Keep them coming!!!! The first two hundred quilts in good payment standing will be accepted. Every entered quilt will require its own individual online entry, including the challenge quilt.

Challenge fabric (including rules) are still available; buy a fat quarter or two for \$5 each from Linda Kirk at Guild meetings. A copy of the rules is also posted on the guild website.

The raffle quilt was unveiled at the November Guild meeting and its picture can be viewed on the guild website. <a href="https://www.sanantonioquilt.org">https://www.sanantonioquilt.org</a>

So - How can I help with the 2023 quilt show now? Right now we need help with selling tickets for the raffle quilt. Please stop by the show table to pick up tickets and a flyer to sell to family and friends!

If you have a club, group or job that will allow the raffle quilt to be displayed PLEASE let Janet Miller know, so she can add to the schedule.

Help us to pay for the cost of the show by using your ingenuity and/or connections. Linda Casias is Vendor chair and has been working diligently on finding vendors, prize sponsors and advertisers. Linda welcomes any ideas or help that you can provide.

Thank you to all members who have volunteered and are already working diligently behind the scenes to help present an awesome quilt show!!! More volunteers are always needed. Please look for an updated show volunteer needs/ jobs handout at guild and sign-up forms. Everyone's volunteer participation is necessary for our show to be successful.

Thank you again for all you do and for your support,

Sandy Doyle 2023 Quilt Show Chair gsaqgquiltshow@gmail.com

#### GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM

#### MISSION

The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild (GSAQG) has established a grant program in honor of a loved and esteemed founding member, Ethel Y. Howey, whose accomplishments, and influence extended into the international quilt world. The grant is to encourage the pursuit of education in the study of quilt making and to recognize the importance of quilting in today's society as an art form, as an instrument of healing, as part of our legacy, and as a common thread which binds all in friendship.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the grant program is to fund projects that will have long term impact on preserving the heritage and further the art of quilt making. The grant may be used to cover expenses such as fees (including conferences, workshops, etc.), travel, lodging, meals, materials, and books. The grant(s) will be awarded annually, not to exceed \$1,000. The Grant Committee may divide the monies between more than one recipient. The GSAQG is not obligated to award the entire \$1,000 or any part thereof, if the quality of the proposals does not merit it.

#### **ELIBILITY**

- Applicant must be an active GSAQG member in good standing for the previous **two (2) years** immediately preceding the grant deadline.
- An applicant must show evidence of an interest in continuing to improve and innovate in the field of quilt design, construction, history, or technique.
- Financial need will NOT be a criterion for selection.
- Grant recipients are ineligible to reapply for grants for three years. Grant committee members are ineligible for grants while serving on the committee.

#### PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

- Applications must be submitted **on or before August 1** (current year), and the grant will be awarded at the following January Guild meeting.
- If the recipient fails to fulfill the requirements or is unable to attend the proposed project or program, the grant money must be returned within **three (3) months** of the cancellation, or on a time-line agreed to by the committee and the applicant. If an alternate applicant is available, the money may be transferred to the alternate with approval of the committee.
- Recipients must be willing and able to share with GSAQG the new skills, techniques, or information gained. This may be in the form of a presentation, a workshop, or other process that disseminates the information to the members in **the year following receipt of the grant.** Scheduling must be coordinated with the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for Programs.
- If a workshop or program is being presented, at a minimum of three (3) months before the scheduled Guild workshop or program, a lesson plan and class sample will be presented to the Ethel Y. Howey Chairperson, the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for Programs, and one Guild member-at-large.
- Recipient must submit, in writing, a final report of the project and expenses **by March 1** of the year following receipt of the grant.

#### GSAQG ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS

Following the stated timeline, submit a typed or handwritten application, not to exceed two (2) pages. Include the date, your name, address, phone numbers, email, number of years a GSAQG member, and explain:

- 1. Why you would like to receive this grant.
- 2. How you will use the grant funds, including a specific budget.
- 3. How you will share your new skills, techniques, and information with the membership.

Feel free to provide any additional information that will help the selection committee.

#### Mail to:

Mary McCarthy GSAQG Foundation Grant Program 1123 Creek Cabin San Antonio, TX. 78253-5835

#### **Timeline Example**

1 August 2020- Application due
1 January 2021- Grant awarded
2021 – Grant used/classes attended
March 2022- Written final report due
August 2022- Presentation to Review Committee
November 2022- Workshop/Presentation to Guild Membership

# 2023 Quilt Show



More Space

◆ More Quilts ◆ More Vendors

Traditional ◆ Modern

Fiber Art

May 5-6

Fri. 10AM to 7PM — Sat. 10AM to 5PM Admission: \$10 (Children under 12 Free)

Williamson County Expo Center 5350 Bill Pickett Trail Taylor, TX 76574

# Piecing Our Communities Together



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- Vendors
- Boutique
- Silent Auction
- Granny's Attic
- Free Parking



Luminosity 76" × 76"

Drawing May 6. Need not be present to win!

# Facility Use Requirements All Saints Hall Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church

Please everyone do your part to help other attendees with clean-up before leaving the facility.

- Leave the facility, including bathrooms, at least as clean as when we arrived.
- Use the refrigerator only for temporary storage of food. Check to be sure there are no spills and no food is left behind.
- Wipe up any spills on the floor and furniture.
- Sweep floor as needed, taking care that no pins, needles, or other sharp objects are left behind. The broom and dustpan are in the pantry in the kitchen.
- Empty all trash and place it the dumpster.
- Do not adjust the thermostat.
- Refer to the appropriate diagram for furniture placement. Pick up furniture rather than dragging it across the floor. Stack extra chairs off to the side.
- Make sure no faucets are dripping.
- Turn off all lights.
- Lock doors securely.
- Return the key to the appropriate board member as instructed.

Thank you for your assistance in meeting the requirements of our agreement with the church.

#### **Mystery Bring & Brag!**

Just for fun, can you name the month & year this appears in our Bring & Brag?



#### **SPRING MINI RETREAT**

Spring mini retreat will be held

March 31 - April 1.

Sign-ups start at February meeting.

Cost \$35 for 3 meals:

Friday - lunch and dinner

Saturday - lunch only

Hours are:

Friday - 9 am until 8pm

Saturday - 9 am until 4 pm

There are 2 openings left. Volunteers are needed for setting up and serving. Please consider

helping out.

Do you get a thrill out of watching competition and the agony of defeat ??

Then the AUCTION committee is for you!!

See Sandy Doyle for more information. :

# BYLAWS OF THE GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC AS ADOPTED MAY 13, 2000 AND AMENDED November 11, 2017 AMENDED FEBRUARY 16, 2023, AND ADOPTED MAY 13, 2023

#### **ARTICLE I NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "the Guild."

#### ARTICLE II OBJECT

The Guild is organized for charitable and educational purposes as a nonprofit corporation to stimulate an interest in quilts and advance the art of quilt making within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended. The Guild believes that embracing diversity, equity, and inclusion as organizational values is a way to intentionally make space for positive outcomes to flourish, therefore the Guild does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion or age for membership or as a board member of the Guild.

#### **ARTICLE III MEMBERS**

**Section 1. Classification.** There shall be <u>five</u> four classes of members.

- A. Regular. To qualify for Regular membership any Any person between 18 and 64 years of age by paying the required dues. shall be eligible for Regular membership and Regular members are entitled to one vote. Upon attaining the age of 65, Regular members shall be reclassified as Senior members.
- **B.** Senior. To qualify for Senior membership any Any person having attained at least the age of 65 by paying the required dues. shall be eligible for Senior membership and Senior members are entitled to one vote.
- C. Youth. To qualify for Youth membership any Any person between 6 and 18 years of age and paying the required dues. Youth members shall not be entitled to vote. Upon attaining the age of 18, Youth members shall be reclassified as Regular members and shall pay the difference in dues. Youth members are not entitled to vote.
- D. Charter. To qualify for Charter membership any person must have been a Guild member at the end of its first year of operation (May 1980-May 1981).
- **E.** Lifetime. To qualify for Lifetime membership a person must have been a co-founder of the Guild or other individual be nominated in writing by a member in good standing and be approved by the Executive Board.

#### Section 2. Dues.

- **A.** Regular Members. Dues shall remain at their current level unless a change is recommended by the Executive Board. Upon the recommendation of the Executive Board, the amount of dues for Regular members for the second calendar year following approval shall be determined by a majority vote of the members present at the November meeting
- **B.** Senior Members. The amount of dues for Senior members shall be discounted 25 percent of the amount of Regular members' dues.
- **C.** Youth Members. The amount of dues for Youth members shall be discounted 75 percent of the amount of Regular members' dues.
- D. Charter. The amount of dues for Charter members shall be the same as described in A, B, or C above.
- **E.** D. Lifetime. Lifetime members are exempt from paying dues.
- **F.** E. All dues are on a calendar basis and are payable on or before the January guild meeting. New members joining after June 30 will have their first year's dues reduced by 50%.
- **G.** F. Dues are considered delinquent as of February 1 at the end of the February guild meeting and the member shall be dropped from membership as of that date.

#### Section 3. Expectations of Members.

- A. Shall represent the Guild in a positive manner in the community.
- **B.** Shall further the Guild's mission by supporting its committees and activities.
- **C.** Shall take questions regarding Guild operations to the appropriate committee chair or board member.
- **D.** Shall promote civility and cohesion in Guild activities.

#### Section 3 4. Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the Guild shall be from January 1 through December 31.

#### Section 4 5. Good Standing.

A member in good standing shall be one whose current dues have been paid in accordance with the provisions of these

Bylaws and who is not under disciplinary action. Possible disciplinary actions include, in no particular order: verbal reprimand, written reprimand, suspension, and expulsion.

#### Section 5 6. Transfer.

Membership in the Guild is not transferable or assignable.

#### Section 67. Suspension and Expulsion

The Executive Board, with two-thirds of the voting members board voting in the affirmative, may recommend to the membership, suspension or expulsion of any member for cause after an appropriate hearing. Suspension or expulsion shall occur with two thirds of the members present and voting in the affirmative at a business meeting. suspend or expel any member for cause after an appropriate hearing.

#### **ARTICLE IV OFFICERS**

#### Section 1. Elected Officers.

The elected officers of the Guild shall be President, President Pro Tempore, First Vice President for Special Events, Second Vice President for Information, Third Vice President for Programs, Fourth Vice President for Services, Fifth Vice President for Community Outreach, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers shall be members of the Guild in good standing.

#### Section 2. Appointed Officer.

The appointed officer of the Guild shall be a parliamentarian and shall be approved by the Executive Board.

#### Section 3. Compensation for Officers.

Officers shall not receive any compensation for the performance of their duties, except the outgoing President who shall receive a quilt top in recognition of her/his service to the Guild. Officers may serve the Guild in any other capacity and receive compensation.

#### Section 4. Term of Office.

- A. The two year term for elected officers shall begin in January of the year following their election.
- **B.** The Parliamentarian shall serve for a term of one year.
- **C.** The President, Second Vice President for Information, Fourth Vice President for Services, Fifth Vice President for Community Outreach and Secretary shall be elected in even number years.
- **D.** The President Pro Tempore, First Vice President for Special Events, Third Vice President for Programs and Treasurer shall be elected in odd-number years.
- E. A current Executive Board member shall not be eligible for another office until the current term of office is completed.
- **F.** A member shall not hold more than one elected or appointed office at the same time. Other positions in the Guild may be filled by Executive Board members.

#### Section 5. Vacancy.

A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the President Pro Tempore; a vacancy in any other elected office shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Executive Board. In the event vacancies occur at the same time in the offices of both the President and President Pro Tempore, the First Vice President for Special Events shall immediately notify all members of the Executive Board and, within five (5) days, call a meeting for the purpose of selecting a new President.

#### **Section 6. Duties of Officers**

#### A. The President shall:

- preside at all business meetings of the Guild and all business and special meetings of the Executive Board.
- ii. be bonded and be a secondary authorized signatory on all accounts and take care of other financial matters in cooperation with the Treasurer.
- iii. be authorized to sign any deeds, mortgages, bonds contracts, or instruments that the Executive Board has authorized to be executed.
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

#### B. The President Pro Tempore shall:

- i. serve as the presiding officer in the absence of the President.
- ii. in the event of disability or resignation of the President, serve as President for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- iii. be bonded and be a secondary authorized signatory on all accounts and take care of other financial matters in cooperation with the Treasurer in the absence of the President.
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

#### C. The First Vice President for Special Events shall:

- i. coordinate special events.
- ii. obtain the chairman's final report of all special events sponsored by the Guild, in a timely manner.
- iii. be authorized to sign contracts pertaining to special events.
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

#### D. The Second Vice President for Information shall:

- i. be Editor-in-Chief of the newsletter.
- ii. publish the list of candidates for vacant offices and the ballot in the November newsletter.
- iii. publish the Executive Board approved budget in the November newsletter.
- iv. publish the chairman's final report for all special events as provided by the Vice President for Special Events, in a timely manner.
- v. maintain a current membership mailing list.
- vi. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board or as may be incident to this office.

#### E. The Third Vice President for Programs shall:

- i. provide programs for each business meeting.
- ii. Schedule and coordinate periodic workshops.
- iii. be authorized to sign contracts pertaining to programs and workshops.
- iv. Perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

#### F. The Fourth Vice President for Services shall:

- i. be responsible for all membership services and the property they utilize.
- ii. ensure the collection and preservation of accounts of guild activities, including appropriate memorabilia, photographs and newsletters.
- iii. Perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board or as may be incident to this office.

#### G. The Fifth Vice President for Community Outreach shall:

- i. coordinate all public service activities that involve Guild participation in community education and charitable activities:
- ii. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

#### H. The Secretary shall:

- i. record the proceedings of all business meetings of the Guild and the Executive Board.
- ii. provide a copy of the Executive Board's minutes.

#### I. The Treasurer shall:

- i. have custody of all Guild funds.
- ii. be bonded and be the primary authorized signatory on all Guild accounts.
- iii. deposit in the general fund all monies received from all committee activities.
- iv. keep an accurate account of all monies received and disbursed.

#### J. The Parliamentarian:

Shall advise the Executive Board and members on the proper parliamentary procedure according to the Guild's adopted parliamentary authority.

#### **ARTICLE V NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

#### Section 1. Nominations.

- **A.** Composition. A Nominating Committee composed of three (3) members and the Parliamentarian shall be selected at the July business meeting. If there are vacancies in the Nominating Committee, the Executive Board, at the next Executive Board meeting, shall select the members to complete the Nominating Committee.
- **B.** Duties. The Nominating Committee shall:
  - i. publish a request for volunteers for the vacant offices in the Guild newsletter.
  - ii. obtain at least one nominee for each vacant office.
  - iii. obtain the consent of willingness to serve, if elected, from each nominee.
  - iv. present the Nominating Committee report at the October business meeting.
  - v. provide the Editor-in-Chief the list of nominees for publication in the November newsletter.
- **C.** Floor Nominations. Nominations by members for any vacant elected office is permitted, providing that consent of the nominee has been given. The nominations for the offices shall be closed by the President at the October business meeting.

#### Section 2. Elections.

Officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting unless a mail ballot is ordered by the Executive Board. A majority vote shall elect. If there is but one nominee for any office, the vote may be taken by voice vote.

#### Section 3. Voting by Mail.

Election may be conducted by mail in a manner to be determined by the Executive Board.

#### Section 4. Proxy

Voting. Proxy voting is permitted whenever the member provides written documentation authorizing the other member to vote in her/his stead, unless otherwise stated in these Bylaws.

#### Section 4 - Virtual Attendees

Virtual attendees' votes will count the same as in person attendees.

#### **ARTICLE VI MEETINGS**

#### Section 1. Business Meetings.

The business meetings of the Guild, held to further the object of the Guild and act upon any business matters that may be brought before the membership, shall be held on the second Saturday of each month, except December, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Board providing that all members are notified.

#### Section 2. Annual Meeting.

The November business meeting shall be known as the annual meeting for the purpose of:

- A. Election of officers.
- **B.** Approval of the budget.
- C. Other pertinent business.

#### Section 3. Quorum.

The quorum shall be one-tenth of the members of the Guild in good standing. The program can be presented without a quorum.

#### Section 4 3. Notification

Notice constitutes p Publication in the monthly newsletter constitutes notification.

#### ARTICLE VII EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### Section 1. Composition.

The Executive Board shall be composed of the elected and appointed officers.

#### Section 2. Duties and Powers.

In accordance with these Bylaws and subject to the orders of the membership, the Executive Board shall have authority to administer the affairs of, and act on behalf of, the Guild between business meetings. Duties and powers of the Executive Board shall include, but not necessarily be limited to the following:

- A. Appoint the Parliamentarian.
- B. Appoint ad hoc committees, as necessary.
- **C.** Approve the chairmen of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.
- **D.** Select, if necessary, the members of the Nominating Committee.
- **E.** Prepare and approve the annual budget and ensure its publication prior to the November meeting at which the membership shall approve the budget.
- **F.** Present to the membership for approval all expenditures which are not in the approved budget and exceed \$400.00 \$600.00.
- G. Ensure that the final reports of all special events sponsored by the Guild are published in a timely manner.
- **H.** Invite the newly elected Executive Board members to the December Executive Board meeting for transition of instructions, files, ideas, and all pertinent records.
- Review member dues and submit recommendations to the membership, if necessary, in November.
- J. Recommend the suspension and/or expulsion of any member to the membership, reprimand members verbally or in writing and vote for the suspension and/or expulsion of any member if necessary and after a hearing.
- K. Order and establish a method for the execution of a mail ballot.
- L. Accept, if desired, any contributions, gifts, or bequests on behalf of the Guild.
- M. Present all activities that involve participation of the members to the membership for approval.
- N. Authorize designate any member signatory power on contracts that the Executive Board has authorized to be executed.
- O. Prior to publication, the Executive Board minutes shall be approved by any three (3) of its members.

#### Section 3. Meetings.

The Executive Board shall meet every month and such other times as deemed necessary by the Executive Board. Regular monthly meetings are open for observation to any member in good standing.

Any two (2) officers may order special meetings providing all members are notified of the time, place, and nature of business. Notification time is dependent upon the urgency of the business.

#### Section 4. Quorum.

A majority of the voting members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

#### **ARTICLE VIII COMMITTEES**

#### **Section 1. Standing Committees.**

Standing committees of the Guild shall be established by the Executive Board and these are announced in the January Newsletter for the current year. Once established a standing committee shall continue until removed by the Executive

Board.

#### Section 2. Composition.

Members of all committees shall be members in good standing of the Guild.

#### **Section 3. Duties of Standing Committees.**

The duties of the standing committees are enumerated in General Information as published in the Guild Directory.

#### Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees.

There shall be such ad hoc committees as may be deemed necessary by the Executive Board or the membership.

#### Section 5. General Information.

- **A.** All monies collected as a result of standing and ad hoc committee activities, including, but not limited to fines, service fees, sale of items, etc., shall be submitted to the Treasurer no later than the next business meeting. All monies are deposited in the Guild's general fund.
- **B.** Receipts are required for reimbursement of all expenditures.
- C. All committee chairmen shall prepare and submit a report of their activities as determined by the Executive Board.
- D. The chairmen for self-supporting activities shall submit their budgets for approval as determined by the Executive Board

#### **ARTICLE IX PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the proceedings of the Guild in all cases in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws or Special Rules of Order that may be adopted.

#### **ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. Amendment(s) to the Bylaws may be proposed by the Executive Board or any two (2) members.

**Section 2.** These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members at any business meeting provided that the proposed amendments have been published in the newsletter prior to the business meeting.

#### **ARTICLE XI DISSOLUTION**

In the event of a dissolution of this corporation, the net assets of the corporation shall be applied and distributed as follows: **Section 1**. All liabilities and obligations shall be paid, satisfied and discharged or adequate provision shall be made, therefore.

**Section 2**. Assets held by the corporation upon condition requiring return, transfer, or conveyance, which condition occurs by reason of the dissolution, shall be returned, transferred, or conveyed in accordance with such requirements. **Section 3**. Assets held for charitable, religious, benevolent, educational or similar use, but not held upon a condition requiring return, transfer or conveyance by reason of the dissolution, shall be transferred or conveyed to one or more domestic or foreign corporations, trusts, societies or other organizations engaged in charitable, religious, benevolent, educational or similar activities pursuant to a plan of distribution as provided by law provided, however, said organization shall qualify under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

### LADIES CAN YOU NAME EACH DOOR PRIZE / GOLDEN CARROT WINNER?

Each person in the photos is numbered. The person with the most correct answers wins a small (very small LOL!) prize.

In the event of a tie, we will draw a name.

Please submit your answers to the newsletter email address in this newsletter. Winner will be announced at the April Meeting.



From the Certified Judges Desk:

We are all excited, it's been a few years since our last show and so much has transpired, COVID concerns, cancelled shows, lost venues, guild meetings suspended, everyone trying to stay connected. It's truly been a Storm Weathered! As our quilt guild prepares for our quilt show, there are several key items that entrants must know.

The show judges are hired by a Guild to fulfill a job. Their job is guided by our show rules. Understanding the competition rules is very important. Remember that judges don't have the luxury of studying your quilt for hours on end. In most cases they only have around 3 minutes to evaluate each quilt. The judges will compare your quilt's strengths and weaknesses against those of other quilts in your category and rank the quilts for ribbons and awards. Placement of quilts in the wrong category can result in the quilt being eliminated from awards. Here are a few tips for entering shows.

- Read and follow category descriptions carefully when making your selection. It is ultimately the entrant's responsibility to enter their quilt into the correct category.
- Measure your quilt accurately to ensure it fits the category definition. If it doesn't, show organizers may move it or even disqualify it.
- Fill out the application completely and make sure to give credit where it is due. If the quilt you made is a copy of a pattern from a book, you'll need to credit the designer. If your quilt was professionally quilted, you will need to credit the quilter. Honor what is truly original.
- Follow guidelines for pictures. Some guilds require pictures for ID only, where other pictures are required for Jurying purposes.
- Make sure your quilt always has a hanging sleeve.
   Some venues require special sleeve size and placement to accommodate hanging devices and the space available for display.
- Meet or beat deadlines. Each show will have a different timeline. Pay attention to the entry form deadlines, and quilt shipping deadlines. If shipping, allow extra time to account for shipping delays outside of your control.
- Make sure your quilt is show ready... Ensure your quilt is clean, and pristine. Remove all loose threads, pet hair and odors. You want the best presentation of your work for display. Label your quilt with your name, address, and the title of the quilt.

Sharing your work will help to inspire other quilters to continue to learn and grow as an artist and a craftsperson. Judging is an important part of the Guilds show. The time you spend preparing it will be time well invested.

From the Certifiend Judges Desk (continued)

Remember, we share our quilts for all to enjoy. Let's celebration of our art!

Next month: Tips on what judges look for in Piecing and Applique.

Diane Leclair, NQA Certified Quilt Judge, National Association of Certified Quilt Judges



# **NEW Juried show for 2023**— *All Creatures Great and Small*

Entries open February 25, 2023



James Alfred Wight - From Wikipedia

View full PDF for more submission info »

Fill in and submit entry form »

#### Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc P.O. Box 380522 San Antonio, TX 78268

#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

#### **March Schedule**

March 6 Board Meeting 7:00 PM on Zoom

March 11 General Meeting 10:00 AM Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church AND on Zoom

Check out the calendar on our web page for Bee meetings and other Guild related events.

#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$ 28 SENIOR (65+) \$ 21 YOUTH (6-18) \$ 7

> Send check to: GSAQG PO Box 380522 San Antonio, TX 78268

#### **Board of Directors**

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President Pro Tem	DeaJea Shore	
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for Special Events	Sandra Doyle	
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<b>3rd Vice President</b>		
for Programs	Sandra Lowell	
4th Vice President		
for Services	Jean Hardies	
5th Vice President for		
Community Outreach	Mary McCarthy	
Secretary	Melissa Allo	
Treasurer	Cindy Shutt	
Parliamentarian	<b>Gail Clover</b>	

**Term expires December 2023**