



Rocky Mountain Creative Quilters






March 2010

Newsletter

RMCQ Meeting - Monday March 8, 2010

Do Palma • "Nothing New Under the Sun"

Pass this newsletter along to anyone you know who may be interested in RMCQ and invite them to join us. Inside the newsletter this month:

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Fort Collins Senior Center
1200 Raintree Drive
Meeting registration starts at 6:00 P.M.
Business meeting begins at 6:45 P.M.

March 8, 2010 RMCQ Program

March 8, 2010 • Do Palma • "Nothing New Under the Sun" a trunk show of current work.

Do is an art quilter, printmaker, and bead worker who lives and creates in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Venezuelan-born, she finds herself instinctively attracted to Latin colors, rhythms, and folklore. Her life experiences have given her a sense of social and political responsibility that is also reflected in her work. She likes to travel, and is deeply interested in the differences among us all and in the various ways people pursue happiness.

Her educational background is philosophy, education, and environmental design. She began making art quilts after pursuing several other careers. Upon graduation from college, she taught elementary school. She received a graduate degree in city planning, and was employed as a planner in both the public and private sectors. Subsequently, she worked as a lobbyist on behalf of the statewide arts community and the League of Woman Voters.



Do's work has been shown in many invitational and juried exhibits, such as the *Fabric of Legacies*, Fort Collins in 2009, 2008, 2007, and *Connecting Threads*, Longmont, CO in 2009. She will also be included in *America Celebrates*, Longmont, CO, opening in 2011. Themes include mysteries, crows, and explorations. See more of her work at www.dopalma.com.

RMCQ Board Meeting

The RMCQ Board will meet March 30 at 4:00 PM at Annie Miller's home. Please contact **Carol Anderson** at president@r-m-c-q.org if you need directions. A list of our officers and committee chairs along with contact information is available online at www.r-m-c-q.org/about_rmcq.html.

Upcoming RMCQ Programs and Workshops

April 12, 2010 • “Confessions of a Long arm Quilter” • Join us for an evening of tips, tricks, and resources available to all machine quilters, brought to you by longarm quilters. We’ll discuss ideas for quilting design choices, answer questions about selecting thread and batting, and showcase a variety of quilting services and design styles available from your local longarm quilters. We’ll include some of our favorite tools and shopping sources. The expanded show-and-tell and trunk show will include everything from freehand-quilted art quilts to computer-guided bed quilts.

April 13 & 14 • A Two-Day Workshop with Elda Kohls.

It is the practice in Japan to honor outstanding artists and craftsmen with the designation of “National Treasure.” We discovered a Fort Collins “treasure” at our November, 2009, meeting, Elda Kohls. We salivated over and coveted her wonderful wearable art pieces. We have gathered a long list of names of those who were interested in learning some of her surface design techniques. This workshop is limited to twelve participants. Every one on the list has been notified about the workshop and we expect that it will be filled by the time this newsletter reaches you. If you want to be placed on a waiting list contact Maxine Carlstedt.

Note: As of March 1, there is still one opening in Elda’s workshop.

May 10, 2010 • Jo Fitsell • “The Ten Mistakes Art Quilters Make”



“Lapse” by Jo Fitsell

Jo will do a workshop on “Bringing Your Work To The Next Level” on Tuesday, May 11. Registration will begin at the March meeting.

June 14, 2010 • Gwen Hlatchette • will show her work and tell how she moved from teaching to making art quilts , and what inspired her then and what inspires her now.

July 12, 2010 • Ruth Powers • “Dare to be Different” with a workshop “Introduction to Picture Piecing.”

August 9, 2010 • Vicki Pignatelli • “10 Attributes That Make a Good Quilter Better” with two, one-day workshops, “Color Your Quilt Beautiful” and “Crazy About Curves.”

September 13, 2010 • Lynn Jaenke • “The Stencil Made Me Do It.”

November 8, 2010 • Ann Fahl • “It’s in the Details” with a one- or two-day workshop to be announced.

Announcements

Phillippa Lack's "Magic Carpet Ride" was accepted into the *Cacophony of Fiber* exhibit at Peabody Auditorium in Daytona Beach, March 6 – April 31.

Jeanie Sumrall-Ajero's article "Printing on Fabric" appears in the April issue of *The Quilt Life*.

Patty Joy, Phillippa Lack, Mary McCauley and *Kit Robinson* will have quilts in the FRCQ exhibit, *Take Another Look*, which will be held in the gallery area at the Boulder Public Library on the weekend of March 5–7, 2010. Mary will be giving a demonstration on Threadsketching on Saturday, March 6 at this exhibit.

Melody Randol and *Louisa Smith* have quilts included in the new book *500 Art Quilts*, recently published by Lark Books.

Grab Bag Fabric Sale



RMCQ is having a grab bag fabric sale at the general meeting on April 12. The sale will begin at 6:00 PM. Participants will buy a bag and then take as much fabric as they can get in the bag. Two sergers will be sold in a silent auction that same night.

Please remember to check our website regularly at www.r-m-c-q.org for the latest news, meeting minutes, forms, and contact information. *Joy Torelli* does a wonderful job keeping the website up-to-date, but she needs your help to keep things current. Please contact her at website@r-m-c-q.org if you have information for the site.

RMCQ Calendar Entries

Start thinking about your entry for the 2011 RMCQ calendar! Entries can be submitted by any RMCQ member. The quilt should be no longer than 50" on a side, of original design (no kits or patterns), and be made in 2008, 2009, or 2010, and completed by the time of entry. We have found that except for the cover piece, quilts that are either square or a rectangle that is wider than it is tall best fit into this small calendar format.

Each artist may send in up to three entries, (please fill out an application form for each one) but only one piece per artist will be chosen. Applications are due June 14, 2010, and artists who have quilts chosen for publication in the calendar will each receive two free calendars as a thank you.

An application form will be available on the website soon. Please send your high resolution jpeg image to Kay Jones at jones1761@comcast.net for jurying. If you are unable to give us a high resolution photo, please contact Kit Robinson at kit@norova.com to make photo arrangements.

We are looking forward to another great calendar next year – please plan on having your quilt showcased in it!

Please contact *Kit Robinson* at kit@norova.com if you have announcements related to awards, publications, acceptance of entries into juried shows, exhibitions, or other items of interest so we can include them here. Many thanks to Kit for volunteering to help organize this information for the newsletter! The next newsletter deadline is Friday, March 26.

Call For Entries

The *International Quilt Festival (IQA)/Long Beach* is calling for entries for its special exhibit *West Coast Wonders*. Application forms can be found at www.quilts.com/contests/y2010/2010WestCoast.pdf and are due March 8, 2010.

Entry forms for the *Mancuso Denver Quilt Festival* are due March 19, 2010, and can be downloaded from this link: www.quiltfest.com/files/DNQF_10_EntryForm.pdf

Entries for the American Quilt Society (AQS) *Quilt Expo* in Knoxville are due March 22, 2010. Information and entry forms can be found at: www.americanquilter.com/documents/shows_contests/knoxville/2010_knoxville_rules.pdf

The *IQA* is looking for quilts for their special exhibits,

- ✂ *The American Tradition 2010*, (www.callforentriesamerican.com),
- ✂ *Tactile Architecture* (www.callforentriesarchitecture.com), and
- ✂ *In Full Bloom*, (www.callforentriesbloom.com).

Entries for all of these special exhibits are due March 31, 2010.

The *Balloon Museum* and the *New Mexico Quilters' Association* is soliciting entries for a themed quilt block exhibition in celebration of all kinds of flight. Express yourself with your own piece of the sky! Finished blocks that are 16" square will be accepted in the following categories: Pieced, Appliqué, Mixed Technique, Original Design/Innovative, Youth (16 and younger). The deadline is March 31, 2010. Go to http://www.cabq.gov/balloon/documents/quilt_call.pdf for more information.

Machine Quilters Showcase is calling for entries for their May 12 – 15 show in Overland Park, Kansas. Entries are due March 19, 2010, and the entry instructions can be found here: <http://www.imqa.org/MQS2010/QuiltEntryInst.htm>

Entries for the *Home Machine Quilting Show* in Salt Lake City should be postmarked by April 1, 2010. Instructions and entry forms can be found here: http://www.hmqqs.org/quilt_competition_entry_info.html

Quilt Odyssey in Hershey, PA, is looking for quilt entries for their show in July. Entries must be postmarked by April 30, 2010 and the entry form can be found here: <http://www.quiltodyssey.com/contest.htm#Entry%20Form>



Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum News

The Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum is located at 1213 Washington Ave., Golden CO. For more information about all events mentioned here, see the RMQM website at: www.RMQM.org or call 303-277-0377.

Sunday at the Museum with David Taylor

February 28, 2:00 PM. — Join Colorado's own prize-winning quilter, David Taylor, for insights into his work and his life as a man who quilts.

New Exhibits, — February 2 – May 1, 2010

- ✂ *Wranglers Among Us: Quilts by Men.*
- ✂ *Remember Me When This You See: Signature Quilts.*

Gallery Admission: \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors, \$3.00 for children 6-12. Children 5 and under admitted free. Gallery admission is free for museum members

Free parking in the lot behind the Museum.

RMQM Lecture Series

Tell Your Story and Save Your Life – March 18.

Nanette Randall is a memoirist who captures personal and family histories and turns them into lasting memories.

All lectures begin at 6:30 PM. Individual lectures \$6 members, \$10 non-members

RMQM “Evolutions 2010” Quilt Challenge

The museum is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2010, and their quilt challenge, “Evolutions 2010,” is all about growth and change. What will your Evolutions quilt be? More than \$3,000 in cash will be awarded. Entry deadline is March 15, 2010.

Upcoming Events

The *Home Machine Quilting Show* (HMQS) will take place in Salt Lake City May 6 – 8, 2010. It includes a large judged quilt competition, classes, workshops, and over 200 vendor booths. More information can be found at www.hmqs.org

Take Another Look, an FRCQ exhibit, will be held in the gallery area at the Boulder Public Library March 5 – 7, 2010.

The *Denver National Quilt Festival*, April 29 – May 2, 2010, will be held at the Denver Merchandise Mart in Denver. Please go to <http://quiltfest.com/default.asp> for information about classes, workshops, and special exhibits. The judged quilt show will include hundreds of quilts and a large vendor mall.

Cindy Brick will be the March 27 CQC speaker at Silver Creek High School, 4901 Nelson Road, in Longmont. Her lecture is titled “Amazing Crazyies.” Visit www.ColoradoQuiltCouncil.com for a map, details, and for information about the workshop Cindy will be teaching.



The **Avenir Museum of Design and Merchandising** is showing an exhibit entitled “*Silk Road Artisans of Uzbekistan.*” The exhibit will run through Friday, May 28 and is located in the Avenir Museum of Design and Merchandising at 115 University Center for the Arts. You can see the exhibit during regular museum hours: 11 AM – 6 PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 11 AM – 8 PM on Thursday. See the museum website for more info: <http://sota.colostate.edu/avenir-museum-silk-road-artisans-of-uzbekistan/>.