



# Marys River Quilt Guild Newsletter



## May 28 Heidi Lund - wearable artist

Heidi Lund is a wearable artist who has a passion for fabric, fiber and surface embellishments. She has been sewing since she was twelve and quilting for twelve years.

Heidi is a five-time Sulky Thread Challenge winner whose garments and art quilts have been exhibited nationally and internationally. Her garments have been featured in the prestigious Bernina Fashion Show along with forty-eight other of the most celebrated names in the world of wearable art.

Her latest ensemble "The Gathering of Leaves" was featured and exhibited at the Bernina Fashion Show during the 2006 International Quilt Show in Houston, and she has won Best Wearable two years running at the Association of Pacific Northwest Quilters. Heidi's work has also appeared in Quilting Arts magazine.

Photos of some of Heidi's wonderful garments are shown above left. Treasurers of an Enchanted Forest is on the left side. Gathering of Leaves is on the right.

## June 25 Helene Knott-Landscape Design

Helene has been working with fiber and quilting for the past thirty years where she finds working with fabrics challenging and satisfying.

She designs patterns, teaches quilting/fiber classes, takes commissions for art quilts and participates in quilt and fiber art shows.

Helene has won many awards at local regional and national quilt shows. She has expanded into designing commercial quilting patterns and currently has a line of patterns that are published by Story Quilts where she works for them part time as an in-house designer.

Helene's presentation will include how to choose fabrics for a landscape quilt and achieve a sense of perspective. Her landscape quilts make you wish you could step into the picture and go for a walk.

Photos of some of Helene's landscape quilts are on pages 5 and 6 of the newsletter.

## OUR MISSION

- ♦ To contribute to the knowledge of quilting and the textile arts.
- ♦ To promote the appreciation of fine quilts and quilt making.
- ♦ To contribute to the growth and knowledge of the art and the industry through educational meetings and fellowship

## OFFICERS

President - Lisa Ullmer

Vice-President- Kelly Esbenshade

Secretary -Debbie Van Der Sommen

Treasurer - Joan Helzer

## MEETING LOCATION

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm, 2nd floor auditorium at the Benton County Historical Museum, 1101 Main St. Philomath

## WEB SITE

[www.marysriverquiltguild.org/](http://www.marysriverquiltguild.org/)

## Mini Landscape Workshop

Helene Knott will present a Mini Landscape Workshop Friday, June 26th from 10-4 at JanniLou Creations. There are 5 spots left for those who are interested in learning how to select effective fabrics and construct a landscape quilts. The quilts are small, simplified and fused resulting in a project that is quick and easy to complete. Kits are available for \$15.00 or you can design your own. A supply list is available upon registration and no sewing machine is needed.

Cost for the workshop is \$30.00 for members and \$40.00 for non-members. You can sign up at the May 28th guild meeting. Samples of the project are on display at JanniLou Creations and will also be on display at the guild meeting.

## Volunteers make the Guild go round.

We're entering the season where we need you to participate in Guild activities that range from displaying your talent to raising operating funds. And, there are perks, too!

The Raffle Quilt is being displayed at venues and volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets. It's a low key activity that gives you the opportunity to show off a stunning quilt, meet new people and to encourage quilters to check out our Guild. By working a shift selling tickets or selling a packet of tickets you not only support the Guild, but you could win a chance at some cool prizes. Contact Theresa at [haveahrt@peak.org](mailto:haveahrt@peak.org) to schedule a shift. The Guild depends on the proceeds of the raffle quilt to pay for the use of the Museum's auditorium for meetings. The more tickets sold, the easier it is to keep the yearly dues down and continue to provide entertaining and informative programs.

We will be gathering your quilts to show at the Sisters Outdoor Quilt Store in a safe, secure and weatherproof environment in June. If you have never had a quilt in a show, this is a great baby step to start the process. And, when you are at the event, just walk around our venue, The Sisters Pharmacy, and listen to the comments made by show patrons. It's a wonderful thing.

Quilts in the Garden is ramping up and looking for Garden Hosts and monitors to take a shift protecting our quilts on the day of the event, August 29. Work a shift and enjoy all gardens all day for free. Contact Harriet Plumley at [h.plumley@comcast.net](mailto:h.plumley@comcast.net) if you can work the day of the show or if you have a quilt to display at one of the gardens.

Quilt County is happening this August/September. Venues around the county display quilts in thematic groups. Curate a show, display a quilt and participate in this fun event with your friends. Contact Marcia Gilson at [mgquilter@alyrica.net](mailto:mgquilter@alyrica.net) to see what venues are available for a quilt display.

The Service Committee is always looking for volunteers to put together orphan blocks into a quilt, machine quilt small quilts and bind quilts of all sizes. Contact Lynn Grube at [dlgrube@pioneer.net](mailto:dlgrube@pioneer.net) to help out. Machine quilting for the Service committee is a great way to improve your skills.

On May 21 the Hospitality Committee will be hosting a New Members potluck. Please join us, especially if you volunteer, to get to know our new members and encourage them to participate in Guild activities.

Volunteering creates new friends, skills and a sense of belonging. Try it, you'll like it!

*Lisa Ullmer, President*

## New Members Welcoming Gathering

There will be a Welcome New Members gathering on Thursday, May 21, 2009 at 6:30 pm at the home of Debbie VanDer Sommen. This will be for all new members including those who have recently joined or have rejoined after an absence. Come meet the Guild Board and Committee members and learn more about your Guild. Munchies will be served! Look for your email invitation coming soon! Please RSVP to Dianne Jackson at [Diquilter@Comcast.net](mailto:Diquilter@Comcast.net) or 738-0885.

Directions to Debbie's home at 1718 McBee Road, Philomath: Coming from Corvallis take Reservoir Rd or from Philomath take 19th St. then turn west onto West Hills Road. Take West Hills Road until you turn right onto McBee Road. Debbie's home is on the second driveway on the left side. Take the driveway all the way down to the 2nd house. Her phone number is 740-8016.

*Dianne Jackson - hospitality chair*

## Karen Miller exhibits at the Museum

The Art of Katazome by guild member Karen Miller will be on exhibit at the Benton County Historical Museum from May 1-June 13. Karen studied Katazome (Japanese stencil dyeing) from the American Master John Marshall. She has become an expert in this traditional Japanese dyeing technique.

Karen's show includes art quilts, silk garment yardage, interior linens and indigo dyed cotton fabrics. Her scientific background as a marine biologist at OSU inspired much of Karen's artwork.

## New Books for the Guild Library

We have 3 DVD's by Patsy Thompson on machine quilting techniques using your home machine. Her DVD's are full of tips and are sure to inspire you. Free Motion Fun with Vines and Leaves, Volume One and Two and Fast and Free! Volume 3. For those of you checking these out, please give me feedback. She has others available and a new one out which we can get for the library if you think they are worthwhile to have.

**Loose Change: Quilts from Nickels, Dimes and Fat Quarters** are scrap quilts made with 5" and 10" squares plus fat quarters. **Quick Star Quilts and Beyond**, the title pretty much explains this. **Fussy Cut Mariner's Compass** takes the traditional mariner's compass block in an entire different direction. **Kaleidoscope the Smart Way** shows you how to make these blocks quicker, simpler with a stunning look. For the art quilters, **Stitching to Dye in Quilt Art** covers texturing techniques quite unique to the author.

If you have any suggestions for books you think the Library should obtain please let me know. Contact me by email: [jeanquilts@hotmail.com](mailto:jeanquilts@hotmail.com) or phone 541-401-2569. *Jean McDaniel - librarian*

## Treasurer's Report:

As of April 30, 2009, the MRQG had a cash balance of \$7,054.77. Proceeds from the sale of raffle tickets for the 2009 Raffle Quilt have totaled \$300.00.

*Joan Helzer - treasurer*

## Blocks of the Month

*May Showers Bring May Flowers* is this month's block. The colors are off white to light tan for the background. The basket is medium tan to light brown, and the vibrant flowers are done in medium to dark fabrics.

June's block is the *Windmill* done in shamrock and lime green, with off white as the background. The directions for both month's blocks are on the website.



## 2010 Raffle Quilt Underway!

Hi all you "Team Members" of the guild. First, let me say thanks to everyone who showed up Thursday night at JLC to begin the cutting process for the raffle quilt 2010. We almost had too many helpers, but it worked out REALLY good anyway. We are well prepared to begin the class on Saturday, May 23rd.

For those who signed up for the class on the 23rd, you are going to have fun! Anyone else who has last minute anxiety about wanting to be included, please let Debbie know. We will have a full house, so those who learn quickly and feel they would rather sew at home, please feel free to leave early. Others who want to sew with everyone else, great! We will have *sew* much fun!

Jan Bressler is a great teacher and those who have never made a Judy Niemeyer pattern will be surprised how easy it can be. So if you have a paper piecing phobia you may have a breakthrough!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Debbie at [debravds@comcast.net](mailto:debravds@comcast.net)

## Challenge Fabric for October Meeting

If you have not picked up your Challenge Quilt Packet, there are only five left. Don't miss out! The theme for this year is "Seasons". The packet contains one yard of the challenge fabric. This year it is a beautiful green. A crayon is included to determine your color family for the rest of your project. Crayon colors cannot be traded.

Guild members are invited to use their imaginations to make a project that reflects "Seasons" for them. It is a broad theme that could include (but is not limited to): the seasons, weather, something personal (example: seasons of life); sports, food seasonings, etc. This is a great opportunity to use your stash.

Join the fun at the October guild meeting, when the results (or not) will be exhibited. Packets are \$10, and can be purchased from Judy Juntunen at the Guild Meeting, or contact her [jmrjuntunen@aol.com](mailto:jmrjuntunen@aol.com).

## Anniversary Quilt

Please take the time to make your block and turn it in at the next meeting. The pattern is on the website and is the block of the month of April. If you need the green fabric – please contact Marcia Gilson, 929-2158 or [mgquilter@alyrica.net](mailto:mgquilter@alyrica.net) and get some from her.

## Sisters Quilt Show

Forms will be available at the May guild meeting for those wishing to send their quilts to Sisters Drug Company – for display and/or for sale.

## Quilt County

Time is short for having your quilt display included in the Quilt County brochure – contact Marcia Gilson for further information.

**Celebrating Oregon's Heritage -  
Juried Quilt Exhibition  
Benton County Historical Museum,  
Aug 23-Oct. 18**

**Deadline for entries is June 30th.**

Quilters are invited to explore the theme of Oregon's heritage in quilts and wall-hangings, emphasizing any of the following: a classic 1850's quilt pattern, a modern interpretation of an 1850's quilt pattern, a quilt honoring your family's Oregon heritage, or a quilt celebrating Oregon's heritage.

Details and entry forms are online at <http://www.bentoncountymuseum.org/quiltcounty.cfm>,

There are also photos and details of historic quilts from the Horner Museum collection to give you inspiration. Entry forms will also be available at each guild meeting. Don't forget that this is a chance for our guild members to show and share their expertise!



Helene Knott's mini seascape

**Northwest Quilting Expo**

The ninth annual Northwest Quilting Expo will be September 24-26 in Portland at the Expo Center on Marine Drive. Go to their website: <http://www.nwquiltingexpo.com/> to get information on how to enter a quilt/wearable art, etc. you can also see examples of award winning quilts from last years show. There will be over \$13,000 in show prizes.

If you wish to enter the challenge contest featuring fabrics designed by Lynette Jensen click on the link 2009 challenge or <http://www.nwquiltingexpo.com/contest-09.html>

Use a half yard of any of the three fabrics shown from Lynette's limited edition collection of North by Northwest and follow the directions for submitting your quilt. There will be a \$1500 Thimbleberries basket, donated by Lynette and all entries will be hung in the show.



One of Lynette Jensen's challenge fabrics for the Northwest Quilting expo.



### Membership Application/Renewal

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**January 1 - December 31, 2009**

**Type of membership**  
 (Check appropriate box below)

<input type="checkbox"/>	child up to 17.....	\$10.00	Mail to MRQG P.O. Box 1317
<input type="checkbox"/>	adult .....	\$25.00	Philomath, OR 97370
<input type="checkbox"/>	senior (65+) .....	\$20.00	(or bring to the meeting)
<input type="checkbox"/>	over 80 .....	free	

I can volunteer for the \_\_\_\_\_ committee.

### CALENDAR:

**MAY 28**

Heidi Lund - trunk show & wearables

**JUNE 25**

Helene Knott - Landscape Design

**JULY 23**

Sarah Kaufman - Folded Log Cabin Quilts

**AUGUST 27**

Suzette Shoulders - Crazy Quilts

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