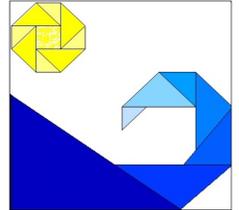


# Quilters by the Sea

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Newsletter



June 2025



## By Dr. Deb Belcher

As a songbird sings outside of my condo, I think about Spring and June and all the plants and animals singing, sprouting, and so much coming to life.

The life of our guild is supported by all our members—a mix of quilting skills and interests in quilting. The upcoming Quilt Show on Saturday, June 28 supports our guild financially, connects with the community, and lets us show off our skills at quilting.

I thought it might be helpful to explain how our quilt show evolved to be outside and in the front yards of several members, willing to allow us to use their yards. There was a time the guild had quilt shows at indoor venues, however, the cost of renting those venues skyrocketed after Covid. Also, by having the shows outdoors, we felt it was safer for those attending. In addition, the guild can raise more money to help support our mission of charitable giving, teaching quilting skills, and supporting our community through our donations to our charities. So that's why we're outside.

Highlights of the quilt show are:

- 6 vendors
- Boutique—handmade items
- Marketplace—used quilting items
- China Cabinet—Dishes and things that would be found in your China cabinet.
- Guild Fabric Sale—3-to-5-yard bundles
- Raffle Baskets—there are about 20 of these, so chances are good.

I also urge you to buy tickets to the quilt show, which can be purchased through the website or from Lyndell at the June meeting. After buying tickets online, you will get the location passport by email immediately. If you buy from Lyndell, you will get the location passport by email a few days later.

Thank you for your support of QBS!!!

## Heads up! Calling ALL members!

July's guild meeting and workshop will be a bit different than our usual format. Your QBS board makes many decisions regarding the month-to-month operations of our guild, but we want your input on several key matters. We believe that members need to actively participate in discussions about fundraising and membership maintenance. July is our month to make this happen. Please be present with ideas about fundraising and how to keep and expand our membership.

Saturday's workshop will be available for small group conversations about specific ideas brought forward during Thursday's guild meeting. You may also bring your Open Sew project to work on.

## Special points of interest:

- **Special meetings in July.**
- **Quilt Show**
- **Nominations**
- **LA County Fair**
- **Hoffman letter**
- **Jo's binding technique**



## By Alan Calgaro

May was our Birthday celebration – 32 Years! What a fun evening we had with Quilter’s Fabric Bingo! Thank you, Kate, Janet, Dawn, and all of the extra helpers who organized and facilitated the game. Announcements from the board were kept to a minimum so that we could enjoy the party atmosphere with our game and the 2 cakes provided by the Special Events team.

June’s program will be a “New Members” Quilt Show. If you are new to the guild within the past 8 months, please bring a few of your projects to show and provide us with a short paragraph about your quilting journey and tell us what the guild can do to make your membership fun and meaningful. We like to see all types of projects – not just quilts. If you love to make bags or any type of handmade items, please share them with us.

Please continue to bring in pillowcases for Community Relations using the pattern that was provided in April.



Our VP-Programs (above), Alan Calgaro, is prepared to play "FABRIC BINGO." It was an fun activity, and we extend our gratitude to Kate Weber and Dawn Couch for their dedicated efforts in organizing both the game and our Celebration for the Birthday Month guild meeting.





## By Kate Weber & Teri Meggers

June 7 – Shirts Workshop...! (2 workshops in 1!) – Kate Weber

Moda Shirt Quilt Blocks (9 am-3 pm) \_\_\_\_\_ \$25

Get started on this quilt with some of your favorite fabrics. Pick a theme and go all in: Hawaiian, cars, or kid prints! How about a shirt for every month or holiday?

The pattern is a free download from [modafabrics.com/inspiration-resources/free-patterns](http://modafabrics.com/inspiration-resources/free-patterns) called [Sunshine](#). Kate has developed variations that enhance the design, including adding pockets!



Preparing to Make a T-Shirt quilt (1:30-3 pm) \_\_\_\_\_ \$15

Techniques and tricks for using t-shirts as quilt blocks.

**July 12** – Open Sew. No fee.

Bring any project that you want to work on without interruptions from spouses, children, or cold calls! Join us for sewing, stitching, and sassiness.

**August** – No workshop. We're "dark!".

**September 13** – Twinkle with Jean Impey. \$35

Stars, stars, and more stars!

**October 11** – Many Moons with Jen Wagner/Snapdragon Quilts. \$35

Curves & curves - don't be frightened!

**November 15** – Machine Maintenance with Steve Shuman. \$35

Owner maintenance: get your machine(s) ready for the new year.

We are looking for a Workshop Chair (or Co-Chairs) for 2026.

Interested? Please let Marc Hyatt know.



The May workshop was presented by Jo Melis and titled "Quilt Drafting 101". Attendees learned how to simplify and speed up the process of cutting and sewing quilt designs. Jo provided a pamphlet with tips on calculating yardage for fabric purchases and various charts. The group expressed appreciation for Jo's extensive experience in sewing and quilting. Some people also requested Jo's binding technique. It's on pages 16 and 17.

**Sign up soon  
and  
sign up often!**

**Remember!  
Signing up on  
the interest  
sheet does **NOT**  
mean that you  
are registered  
for the  
workshop!**

**You are not  
registered until  
you pay.**



## Quilt Show By Lori Davies and Team

QUILTERS BY THE SEA QUILT TOUR

SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH 10 am-4 pm

Tickets and Show Details:

<https://quiltersbythesea.com/quilt-show>

Pre-event: \$12      Day of Event: \$15

QUILT DISPLAYS/SALES \* BOUTIQUE \* RAFFLE BASKETS \* VENDORS

MARKET PLACE \* THE CHINA CABINET

4 locations in Long Beach – starting address provided with ticket confirmation.

QBS Tour proceeds help support a variety of philanthropic projects.



## Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds by Kate Weber

**Fire Survivor Quilts** - Quilts and sewing supplies collected at Road to California and various area quilt shops are being distributed to quilters and other sewists (costumers from the movie and theater industries, for instance). Over 300 quilts have been distributed. The SCCQG website [www.sccqg.org] has a list of quilt shops that will collect and forward quilts for distribution to survivors of the Palisades and Eaton/Altadena fires. The Mountain Fire quilt distribution has successfully concluded!

**Meet the Teachers** –Dr. Deb, Kate, and Teri participated and reviewed several possibilities for programs and workshops for 2026. QBS now has 8 out of 12 months scheduled for next year!

**SCCQG Board Member Election** - The following positions will be open for election this year: Membership, Treasurer, Insurance, and Parliamentarian. Contact Kate if you are interested or just want to know about these jobs. Term runs from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2027.



## Community Relations

### By Carollynn Machado-Guarino

Community Relations is well on its way toward achieving its annual goal of at least 350 quilts and assorted other items, such as pillowcases. Our members have completed 35 items and 165 quilts, with 8 of those being Storybook Quilts. Many tops have been donated that require completion with sandwiching, quilting, binding, and labeling. Many small quilts can be done on a domestic machine with simple straight-line or crosshatch quilting. Not every quilt needs to be a museum-quality masterpiece. These are hugs waiting for a body to embrace. Please let me know if you can help get these tops out to our neighbors in need.

Thank you Patti Paschall for sharing your wonderful patterns. This month's free pattern is on the next page.



**We make great things happen when we work hand in hand.**

### The Charities QBS Supports

Here is a list of the Charities we support. If you want to find out more about them, simply click on their name.

[Caring Connections](#) [works with Bellflower schools]

[For the Child](#)

[Long Beach Police Department - Victims Unit](#)

[New Life Beginnings](#)

[Millers children](#)

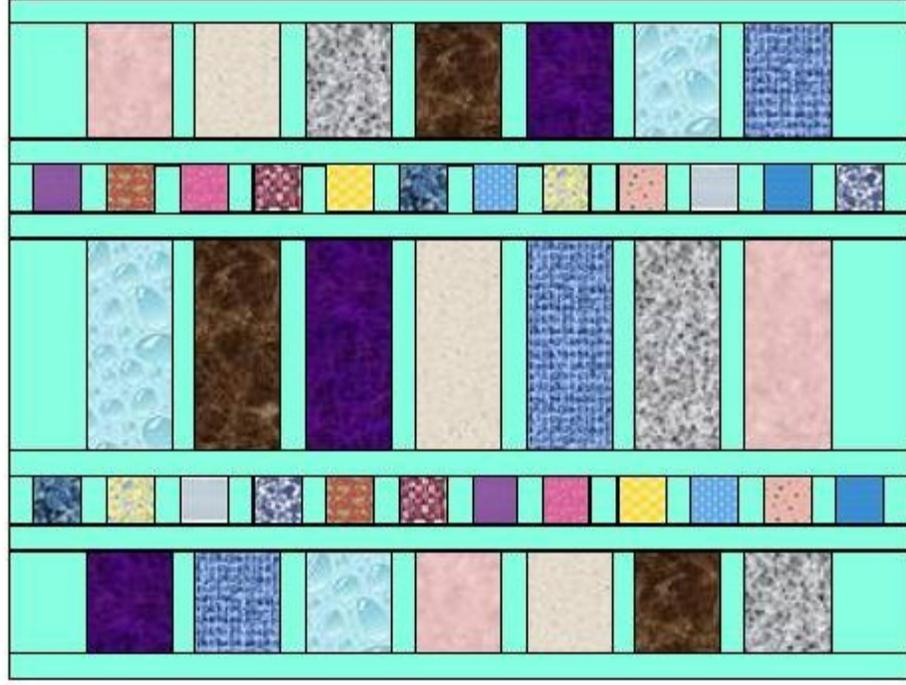
[Women's Shelter of Long Beach](#)



### Our May Birthday Members



# Quarters and Nickels (60" x 80")



Pattern drafted by Patti Paschall, co-author with Jo Melis of **Speedy Snails** available from Amazon.com.

## Yardage

Prints  
Background  
Binding  
Backing

7 Fat Quarters (FQ) **and** 24 Charms (Nickels)  
2 yds - cut into 22 strips @ 2 1/2" x WOF  
**and** 2 strips @ 8 1/4" x WOF  
1/2 yd (18") - cut into 7 strips @ 2 1/2" x WOF  
5 yds

## FQ Prep

Iron your FQs and stack them as evenly as you can (on grain would be great but may not be possible). Trim them to 16" x 20".

## Crosscut

Without unstacking your FQs, cross cut all 7 of them in half lengthwise resulting in 14 pieces at 8" x 20". Set one stack aside and cut the remaining stack in half widthwise resulting in 14 pieces at 8" x 10".

Determine the layout of your FQ pieces and your charms based on the picture.

Set 12 of your 2 1/2" background strips aside.

Crosscut 3 of your 2 1/2" background strips @ 20" resulting in 6 pieces at 2 1/2" x 20".

Crosscut 3 of your 2 1/2" background strips @ 10" resulting in 12 pieces at 2 1/2" x 10".

Crosscut 3 of your 2 1/2" background strips @ 5" resulting in 26 pieces at 2 1/2" x 5".

Crosscut 1 of your 2 1/2" background strips @ 5" for only 2 pieces. Add the remaining 30" to your binding strips.

Crosscut 1 of your 8 1/4" background strips @ 20" resulting in 2 pieces at 8 1/4" x 20"

Crosscut 1 of your 8 1/4" background strips @ 10" resulting in 4 pieces at 8 1/4" x 10"

## Sew

Add a 2 1/2" x 5" background piece to the top of all your charms. Construct 2 columns and then add one of the remaining 2 1/2" x 5" background pieces to the bottom of each column.

Construct your center column with 6 of your 2 1/2" x 20" background pieces, 7 of your 8" x 20" FQ pieces, and 2 of your 8 1/4" x 20" background pieces as shown in the picture.

Construct one of your outer columns with 6 of your 2 1/2" x 10" background pieces, 7 of your 8" x 10" FQ pieces, and 2 of your 8 1/4" x 10" background pieces as shown in the picture. Repeat for your other outer column.

Using your 12 saved 2 1/2" strips, sew together in pairs along the short edge to create the vertical sashing. Sew your columns and sashings together as shown.

Quilt as desired and bind.

## Show and Tell By Dorothy Foral



**Randy Miller**  
"Jewel Box"

Her quilt is crafted from Riley Blake's PETS fabric using layer cakes and jelly rolls. Angela Dean completed the longarm stitching.



**Brad Dumm**

He won the Block of the Month "Blossoms for Cali" and turned it into his gift to his mother for Mother's Day '25. Madeline Serna did the longarm stitching, and it was a crowd favorite.



**Wendy Healy**  
"Ohio Star Quilt"

Her quilt gives off a very calming and relaxed feeling. Wendy is giving this "not quite finished yet quilt" to her sister, who is going through chemo for Breast Cancer.



**Carol Beliso**  
"Jump Rings"

Her pattern from the Missouri Star Quilt Company features longarm stitching by Annette Morales. Her quilt will be available for purchase at our June Quilt Show.



**Thanks to all the participants!  
Without your beautiful quilts there would be no Show & Tell.**

**The theme for June is Honoring our fathers with Masculine Prints or Juneteenth using African Bright and Bold Prints.**



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**Brenda Biggart**  
 “Baby Dinosaurs”

She announced with pleasure that she will become a "First Time Great Grandmother." To commemorate this occasion, she has created three baby quilts, all of which have been expertly longarm stitched by Annette Morales.



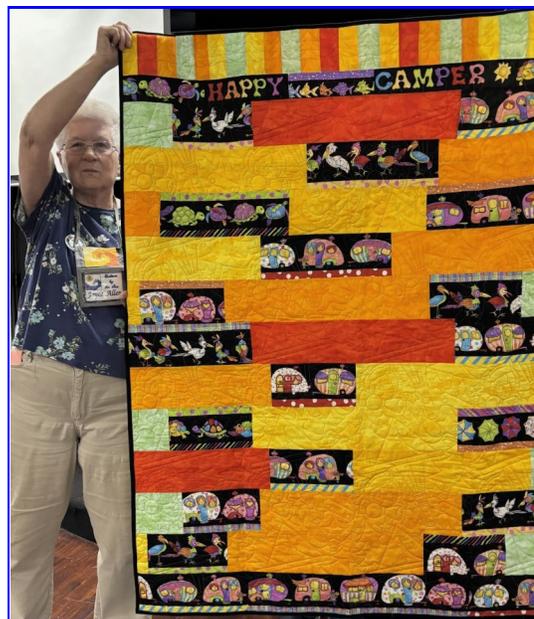
**Brenda Biggart**  
 “ABC Dance”

This quilt features adorable animals dancing and colorful stars.



**Brenda Biggart**  
 “Mother and Their Babies”

Her quilt was stunning. Everyone adored it. This was her third quilt for her great-grandbaby, fitting perfectly with our May theme of honoring mothers, even in the animal kingdom. Annette Morales completed the longarm stitching.



**Joyce Allen**

“Happy Camper Errors”  
 She assembled this quilt using various fabrics and panels that were cut incorrectly. The backing consisted of multiple pieces, more than she previously used in one quilt. She also did the longarm quilting.



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**Janet Dietzman**  
"Cinderella Crowns"

This fabric was originally intended to be made into a dress for her daughter.

However, due to other ongoing projects, the dress was not completed before she outgrew it. Kate Weber provided the longarm stitching. Janet is donating this item to the Storybook/Quilt/Pillowcase Project for Miller's Hospital.



**Sandra S. Martinez**  
"ABC Dance"

This quilt was created for our upcoming Quilt Show. The 2.5" squares fill containers donated by Carolynn M. Guarino, called "Whimzees", which will be sold at the event on June 28. Sandra says she must have cut a Zillion of them!



**Jo Melis**

Another Formerly Known as Fractured 4-Patch for donation.

**Me: How many loads of laundry can this hold?**

**Salesperson: Ma'am, this is a dining room table.**

**Me: and?????**



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**Dorothy Foral**

She found this "under the sea life" panel at Road a few years ago. The border, sashing, and binding fabrics came from M&L. Christy Close from Apple Valley completed the longarm stitching.



**Kate Weber**

Kate created these colorful squares "On-Point", a quilt design from the book "The Littlest Family's Big Day". She did her own longarm stitching.



**Alan Calgaro**

He is so happy with this quilt. The fabrics are all from his favorite vacation spot, Hawaii. He designed the huts, made up of flowers and palm tree prints. The border stripes are one of his favorite types of prints to use and he did the longarm stitching.

### Laundry Symbols

A READER'S DIGEST GUIDE

<b>MACHINE WASH</b>				
MACHINE WASH	COLD	WARM	HOT	
COLD	WARM	HOT	PERMANENT PRESS	GENTLE CYCLE
<b>WASH</b>				
DO NOT WASH	HAND WASH	DO NOT WRING	DO NOT BLEACH	BLEACH AS NEEDED
NON-CHLORINE BLEACH ONLY				
<b>IRON</b>				
IRON COOL	IRON WARM	IRON HOT	DO NOT IRON	STEAM AS NEEDED
DO NOT STEAM				
<b>DRY</b>				
TUMBLE DRY	DO NOT DRY	LOW HEAT	MEDIUM HEAT	HIGH HEAT
DRY IN SHADE	DRY FLAT	DRIP DRY	LINE DRY	PERMANENT PRESS
GENTLE CYCLE				
<b>DRY CLEAN</b>				
DRY CLEAN	DO NOT DRY CLEAN			

# June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 General Meeting	6	7 Workshop
8	9	10	11 Newsletter Deadline	12	13	14 Sew So Saturday
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Sew So Saturday
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Quilt Show
29	30					

## Schedule of Events

- **Board Meetings** are at Carolynn's home or via Zoom starting at 6:30.
- **General Meeting** is at Arbor Road Church<sup>1</sup> in the Fellowship Hall Basement at 7pm - doors open at 6:15pm. The program this month is New Member Trunk Show.
- **Workshop** is at Arbor Road Church<sup>1</sup>, Room A-110 from 9am to 3pm. This month is Moda Shirt Quilt Blocks and Tips for T-Shirt Quilts with Kate Weber.
- **Sew So Saturdays** are at Carolynn's home in "The Garage" and are subject to change. **9am to whenever.**

Carolynn's personal information is in the guild roster.

# Upcoming Events

## July

- 01 Board Meeting
- 05 Sew So Saturday
- 10 General Meeting
- 12 Workshop
- 19 Sew So Saturday
- 26 Sew So Saturday
- 29 Board Meeting

## August

- 02 Sew So Saturday
- 07 General Meeting
- 09 Workshop
- 16 Sew So Saturday
- 23 Sew So Saturday
- 30 Sew So Saturday



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Lee Waranius	Jun 03
Marian Perez	Jun 14
Debbie Migliaro	Jun 16
Adela Villa	Jun 24
Sally Ann Clark	Jun 25
Kim Snow	Jun 26

<sup>1</sup>Arbor Road Church, 5336 E. Arbor Road, Long Beach, CA 90808

## Parliamentarian by Marc Hyatt



Hello fellow quilters:

It's that time of the year again when we need to nominate and elect our officers for next year. The positions are as follows:

- President
- Programs
- Workshops
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Auditor
- Membership
- Special Events
- Quilt Show (elected for a two-year cycle, election this year).

Nominations will be in June, with the election in September.

We will also need some volunteers who aren't running for an office to help run the election come September.

Thanks for all you do for the guild.

## Free Project



If you see a FREE PROJECT on the internet, and you think the guild members might enjoy it, please send the link to [quiltersbythesea@gmail.com](mailto:quiltersbythesea@gmail.com). Thank you.

**Father's Day Mug Rug** - a great gift for Dad.

<https://weallsew.com/fathers-day-mug-rug/?>

[j=1048565&jb=7001&l=330\\_HTML&mid=10964997&sfmc\\_sub=32390074&u=28413381](https://weallsew.com/fathers-day-mug-rug/?j=1048565&jb=7001&l=330_HTML&mid=10964997&sfmc_sub=32390074&u=28413381)



## Free Motion Quilting Motif



**Quilt an Anchor Motif**

<https://weallsew.com/how-to-free-motion-quilt-an-anchor-motif/>



## News from the Los Angeles County Fair

Jellyroll Race - Quilters by the Sea had a presence at this year's fair. On Saturday QBS fielded a team for the semi-finals of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Jellyroll Race. Marc Hyatt, Kate Weber, Tish Granillo, and Tish's husband banded together racing to make the quilt top. Unfortunately, Marc didn't bring his Juki and the other team did. So, we lost! But we had a good time. Long Beach Modern Quilt Guild moved on to the finals.



Quilt Demonstrating - Marc, Janet, and Kate spent four days demonstrating quilting by it making tops and binding quilts. Marc bound his 4<sup>th</sup> of July quilts that he gives away during his neighborhood party on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Janet worked on her "Go, Dog, Go!" book quilt and Kate created the "Creeper" Minecraft quilt top.



Fair Entries Quilters by the Sea also had members' entries in the fair. Kate Weber's *Boho Balloon* won a first-place ribbon! It was cunningly displayed with other "Wizard of Oz" themed entries. Someone must have really loved it because even the back was displayed! Kate considers this her masterwork.



## Open Sew

These are not QBS events, this is For Your Information only.

El Dorado Senior Center (2800 Studebaker, Long Beach) does have a quilting room set up every Wednesday, 9 am-1 pm. The room comes with irons and ironing boards, otherwise, bring your own stuff. There are plenty of big tables for spreading out projects.

Lakewood has opened the doors of the Burns Community Center to all quilters and needle workers once a month, 9 am-3:30 pm. All are welcome! General sewing tools will be available (cutting mats, cutters, irons, and boards). You bring a sewing machine, tools, and a project. Burns is located at 5510 Clark Avenue, Lakewood.

June 18, 2025  
July 23, 2025

August 20, 2025  
September 17, 2025

October 22, 2025  
November 19, 2025  
(last date for 2025)



## Sew So Saturday by Carolynn Machado-Guarino

So Sew Saturday will be closed for the Quilt Show, June 28th and the workshop, June 7th. What a fantastic month this will be!! Make sure you get your tickets soon.

Come and enjoy sewing, knitting, or any hand or machine work you want to do. No obligations to work on any guild project. Shop from the wall of free fabric with smaller and larger pieces. Drop by with a charity donation, fill out a ticket, and say howdy.

Saturdays from 9 am to 5 pm:

June 14  
June 21

You can find Carolynn's address in the roster. Carpool if possible. Let's keep her neighbors friendly.



## Hospitality by Joyce Allen

Please bring snacks for our next general meeting if your name begins with the letters as indicated below. Extra goodies are always welcome.

June last names beginning with K- L

Thank you for your contributions of snacks.

I will make the coffee and punch and provide napkins and plates to serve your snacks.





### **Important Update: 4% Tariff Surcharge Effective May 15**

Dear Valued Customer,

We want to inform you of an upcoming change due to recent tariff adjustments. Starting **May 15, 2025**, a **4% tariff surcharge** will be applied to **all orders placed on or after that date**.

#### **What you need to know:**

- **List prices remain unchanged.**
  - The 4% tariff surcharge will appear as a separate line item on your invoice, similar to how shipping charges are added.
- **Orders placed before May 15 will not be affected.**
  - We believe in fairness and will not retroactively apply this surcharge. We will absorb the added cost for any orders placed prior to the effective date.
- **In-stock orders for immediate delivery will be exempt.**
  - If you place an order for goods currently available in our warehouse for at-once delivery, we will **waive the 4% surcharge**.
- **Promo catalog orders are also exempt.**
  - If you are interested in viewing our promotional catalog, please reach out to your sales representative. The surcharge **will not apply** to these special promo orders.

We appreciate your understanding and continued partnership as we navigate these changes together. We hope that this surcharge won't last long and please note that it is subject to change.

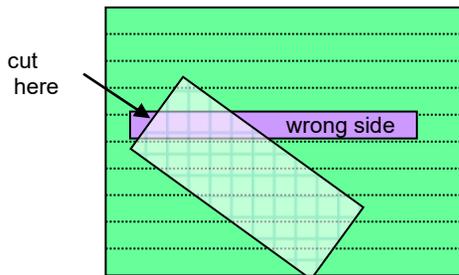
Warm regards,

**The Hoffman Family**

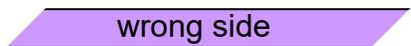
## Perfect Fit Binding Technique

Follow these steps exactly for easy, attractive binding with no bumpy seam joinings to be hand sewn.

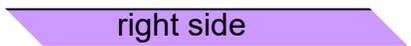
1. Lay your 2 1/2" binding strips **right-side down** on your cutting mat.
2. Use the 45 degree mark on your rotary ruler to trim the left end of your strips. Make sure you cut the angle as shown below:



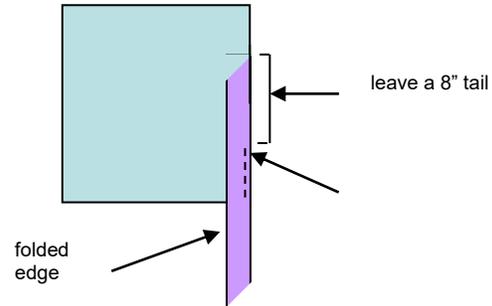
3. Trim the other end of the binding strips at the same angle. The strips should look like this:



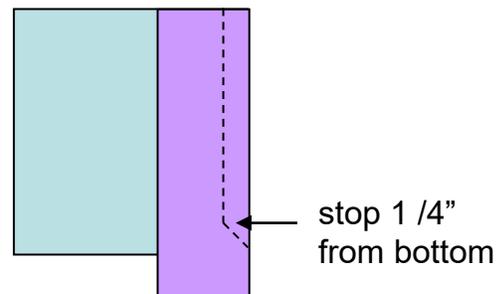
4. Sew all the strips together, so that you have one long strip.
5. Fold the binding in half lengthwise and press. (If you roll up the binding around your fist after it is ironed, it will be easier to work with.) Now it will look like this:



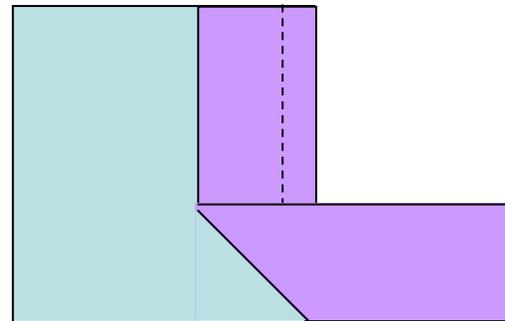
6. Leaving an 8" tail and using a 1/4" seam, start sewing your binding to the right side of your quilt. Stop when you are 1/4" away from the first corner.



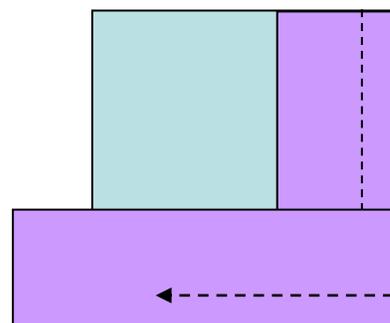
7. Sew off the quilt diagonally.



8. Fold the binding to the right on the sewn diagonal line.

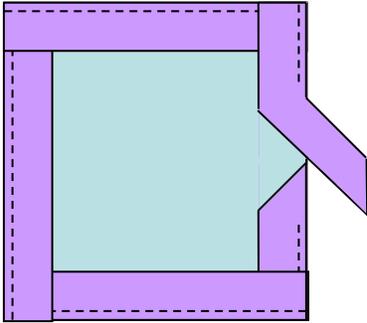


9. Now fold it back on itself and continue sewing down the second side.

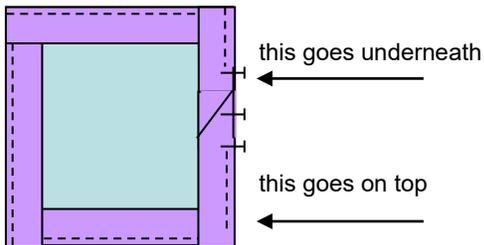


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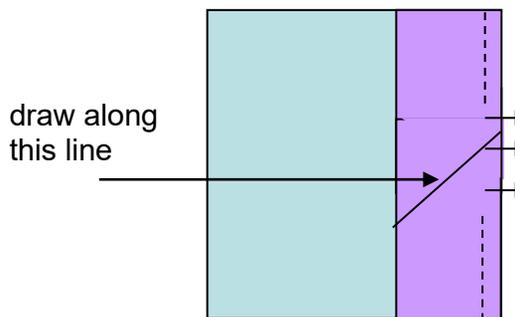
10. Repeat process on all 4 corners.  
When you are sewing the final side, stop when you are about 8" away from the starting end of the binding.



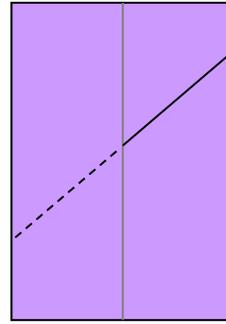
11. Pin down the edge of the binding that you just finished sewing until it is underneath the 8" piece you left loose when you started. Now, with the starting piece **on top**, pin down the starting 6" of binding.



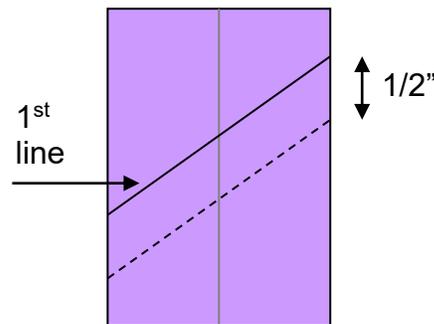
12. Use chalk or a water-soluble marker to draw a line along the diagonal edge.



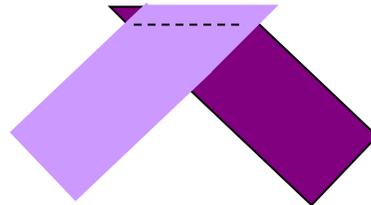
13. Remove the pins and open out the top piece of the binding. Use a ruler to extend the line all the way across the binding.



14. Use the ruler again to draw another line 1/2" **BELOW** this line. Make sure you are **adding** 1/2" to the length of the binding! This is for the seam allowances.



15. Cut the binding on the second line. Place the binding edges right sides together, pin, and sew using a 1/4" seam allowance.



16. Trim off the points and finger-press the seam open.

17. Refold the binding and finish sewing to the quilt. The binding will fit perfectly.

**“Home is \_\_\_\_”**

**Call for Entries**  
SCCQG 2026 Special Exhibit  
Road to California Quilters Conference  
January 21-24, 2026

What is **home** to you? How do you quilt at **home**?

Group and individually made quilts are accepted for consideration.

Quilts of all styles and techniques are welcome so long as they meet the requirements below.

Entry requirements are as follows (please read carefully):

- The quilt must have been finished in 2025/2026 and must be in good condition.
- Size: perimeter should not be larger than 240” overall and no smaller than 60” overall. Items that don’t meet this criterion may be accepted and may be folded for display purposes.
- Embellishments must not protrude more than ½” from the surface of the quilt.
- The quilt must be made of fabric and quilted either by hand, machine, or both.
- It must be constructed of three layers and bound or closed around all quilt edges.
- Quilt/hanging must have an attached 4” hanging sleeve (basted or safety pins allowed).
- Entrant must be a current member of an SCCQG Member Guild or an Affiliate member.
- Enter by email. Entries must include a separate digital **JPEG** photo named as follows: entrant’s last name\_(underscore)name of quilt\_(underscore)guild initials.jpeg. For example: “Weber\_clubby\_QBS.jpeg”. Each entry must have a short paragraph describing how the entry represents the theme. (The Exhibit curator reserves editing rights.)

**Online entry form at:**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1W8jpx12PnBCmlgyodBWgDZDrxUESM1NBO8kWgFJVND8/edit>

**Timetable**

**December 26, 2025, (Friday) All entry forms and photos are due.**

Entries need to include a current email address for confirmation of receipt. See instructions above. Photos may be of the quilt flimsy, so long as the quilt is finished and arrives on time.

**January 9-19, 2026,** Deadline for exhibit drop-offs at various locations.

\*Entries may be dropped off at several locations in lieu of shipping.

----See FAQs on following page for locations and “NLT” dates----

\*\*All entries are required to have a 4” hanging sleeve. Sleeves may be basted or safety pinned in place.

\*\*\*Entries must be fully contained in a cloth bag or pillowcase with contact information.

**January 21-24, 2026,** Quilts will be displayed as part of the SCCQG “*Stitching a Community Together*” Exhibit at Road to California, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, California.

**January 24 – February 12, 2026,** Quilts will be returned according to prior arrangements. SCCQG will not ship quilts to the owner. Unclaimed quilts will be donated to a charity.

**Questions:** [SCCQGRD2CA@gmail.com](mailto:SCCQGRD2CA@gmail.com)

SCCQG and Road reserve the right to reject quilts not suitable for hanging.

**“Home is \_\_\_\_”**

## Call for Entries SCCQG 2026 Special Exhibit

### Frequently Asked Questions and Other Info

- Hanging Sleeves – YouTube has several videos on how to make a hanging sleeve. I like this one...  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E1iRQzjASRM>
- Quilt containers –Your quilt entry needs to be fully contained in a cloth bag (a pillowcase, for example). Why? The quilts are packed in suitcases and plastic crates until they arrive at the convention center. Quilts fall out of too small shopping bags, and quilts that are rolled don't pack into a suitcase well. If you haven't noticed in the past (good!), the pillowcases and bags are pinned to the back of your entry, so they are handy when the exhibit is dismantled. It's difficult to pin through stiff plastic carriers. Your contact info on the outside of your quilt bag makes it easier and faster to sort and return quilts. I will make an effort to contact you if your quilt doesn't get picked up, so your info needs to be on the case.
- Hanging the exhibit - Want to get a preview of the show? Join us on Monday, January 19, at 9:00 am at the convention center and help hang this exhibit. You may also volunteer to hang other exhibits (after SCCQG's is hung!) and see more quilts “up close and personal”. You will be charged for parking but get a receipt (electronic and text me a copy) and you can be reimbursed.
- Haven't heard back if your quilt has been accepted? – Please wait until December 30, and then email me if you still haven't received any notification. I admit it, I'm human and may have missed yours. Nag me, please!



The following are options on the entry form.

- Drop Off – The Batty Lady (**Norco**) and Roxanne's (**Carpinteria**) have graciously agreed to collect quilts. Their deadlines are January 9, 2026, for The Batty Lady and January 14, 2026, for Roxanne's. Quilters By the Sea guild meeting (**Long Beach**) January 8, 2026 (6:30-8:30 pm) is also a drop-off location. You may also drop off entries at private residences in **Laguna Woods** and **Bellflower**. If you choose this option, you will be given their contact info to arrange your drop off. Finally, upon confirmation with the curator, entries may be dropped off at the **Ontario** Convention Center on Monday, January 19, 2026, by 9:30 am, please. (You could stay and help us hang the exhibit, too!)
- Pick Up – If you are **at RD2CA** on Saturday at closing time (4:30 pm), please help dismantle the exhibit and take your entry home with you! Won't be there? Do you have a friend who can pick it up for you? Can you pick up someone's entry for them? Let us know their names, and quilts will be released. Please pick up from the **Batty Lady, Laguna Woods, and Bellflower** by January 31, 2026. Quilts can also be picked up at the February 12, 2026, **Quilters By the Sea** guild meeting. There is no pickup scheduled for Roxanne's at this time. If you know someone going in that direction after the close of RD2CA, let us know their contact info, and we'll try to set that up. By arrangement, I am willing to meet up in the Ventura Blvd vicinity to return the quilts.

Here's what's happening at our sister guild -



Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County



## Programs

<https://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/meetings>

## Workshops

<https://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/workshops>

## Membership by Charlotte Lee & Melody Doukenick

We appreciate everyone for wearing their name badges. It helps us in addressing our fellow quilters by their names. We will continue to hold a drawing for those who wear their name badges. Additionally, you may order an embroidered badge through the library. Thank you once again, and happy quilting.



## Remember To . . .

- ☺ Pack your Show & Tell items.
- ☺ Bring a friend.
- ☺ Bring change for the raffle.
- ☺ Bring your projects from previous workshops.
- ☺ Bring goodies if it is your turn.
- ☺ Bring your own coffee cup.
- ☺ Wear your name badge.
- ☺ Come early and sign-in.
- ☺ Silence your cell phones.
- ☺ Make a new friend and introduce yourself to one of our many new members and guests.
- ☺ HAVE FUN - AND LOTS OF IT!!
- ☺ Clean up your area as you leave.
- ☺ Drive safe.



## Sunshine and Shadows by Carolynn Machado-Guarino

Sunshine and Shadows proudly announces that Samantha Reams has completed her Doctorate in Education. A long road rarely traveled and fraught with many barriers along the way. Way to go, Gal!!!! Congratulations, Samantha!

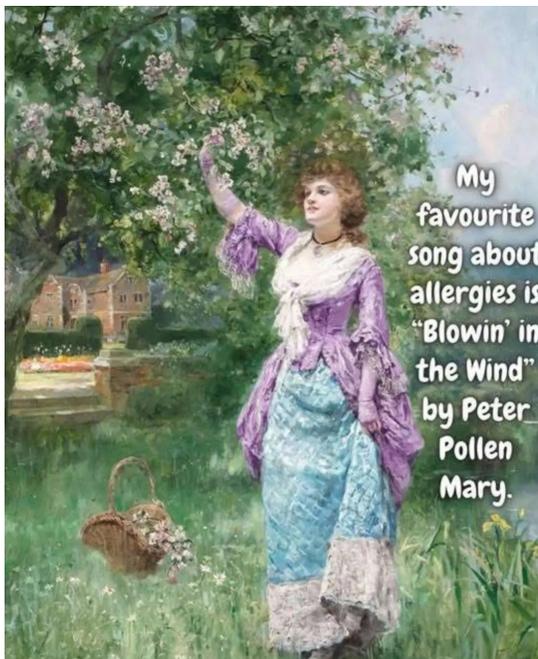




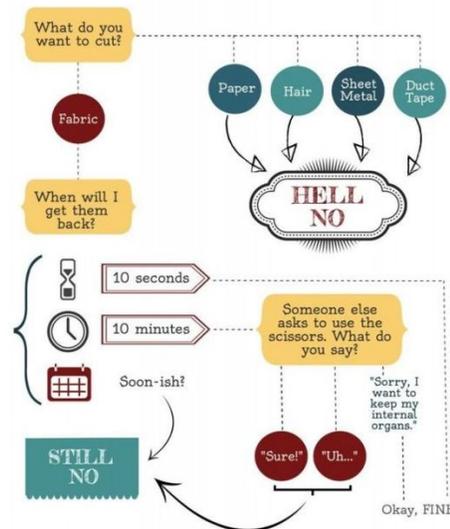
Many of our guild members have allergies so please do not wear perfume/cologne to the meetings. Your cooperation in making our gatherings a pleasure for all is much appreciated.

*A Quilter's Blessing*  
 May your bobbin never run on empty;  
 may your thread never snap.  
 May your fabric never fray and may you use every scrap.  
 May your needles never break and that you never end up in debt.  
 May your husband never know how much you really spent.

*Hancock's*  
 of Paducah

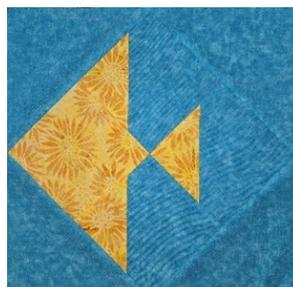


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**Intraguild BOM by Alan Calgano**

“Here Fishy, Fishy” is the new block that was introduced at the May meeting. Consider using fabrics from your stash to create fish designs for Summer. All colors can be used – such as a Rainbow Trout or a Yellow Sunfish. Please use a light to medium blue background for consistency but get creative. Dorothy Foral provided two different patterns – one simple and the other slightly more complex.



Block of the Month



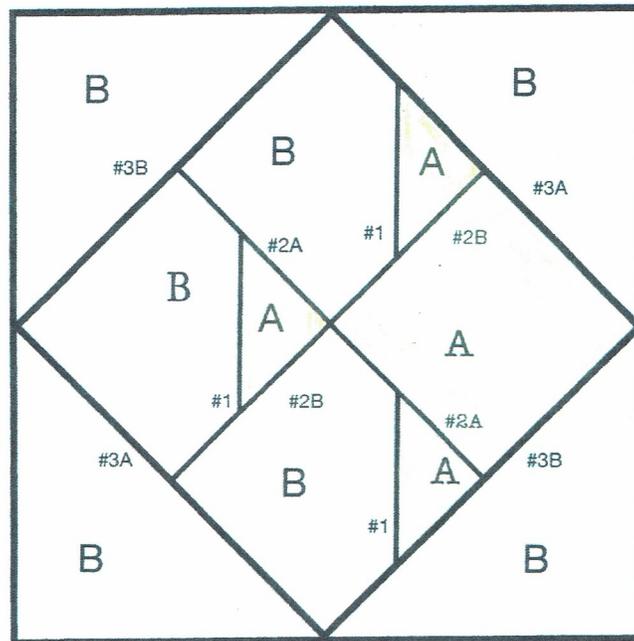
Instructions are on the next 2 pages.



# "Here Fishy, Fishy"



Editor's Note: The A pieces are pale yellow but the color did not scan.



### Cutting Instructions #1 Fish:

#### "A" Fish Fabric

- 1- 5 1/4" X 5 1/4" square
- 3- 3 3/4" X 3 3/4" squares

#### "B" Background Water Print

- 3- 5 1/4" X 5 1/4" squares
- 2- 7 1/2" X 7 1/2" squares, Cut on 1 diagonal to make 4 triangles\* for corners.



### Sewing Instructions:

\*\*\* Sew all seams Rights Sides Together, using an Accurate 1/4" Seams\*\*\*

- 1) Place an "A" 3 3/4" X 3 3/4" square onto 1 corner of each "B" 5 1/4" X 5 1/4" square . Pin in place  
Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the back of each "A" 3 3/4" squares.  
Sew on the diagonal line (#1)  
Press seams toward the corner of each block and trim away the under layers of fabric to 1/4"
- 2) Join the 3-A/B squares to the "A" Fish 5 1/4" X 5 1/4" square. Sew 2A's first, press then 2B's.  
Press Well. Block should measure 10"X10"
- 3) Center each "B" 7 1/2" X 7 1/2" Triangles (\*) Sew #3A's first press towards the corner.  
(the points will extend past the edges) Then sew 3B's seams, and press in opposite direction

**Total finished block should measure 14" Squared**



## "HERE FISHY, FISHY"



### Cutting Instructions Fish #2:

#### "A" Fish Print

- 1 5 1/2" X 5 1/2" square-nose
- 1 6" X 6" square = 2 Fins

#### "B" Medium Color Fabric

- 1 - 2 1/4" X 12" strip

#### "C" Dark Color Fabric

- 1 - 2 1/4" X 16" strip

#### "D" Background Water Fabric

- 1 5 1/2" X 5 1/2" square
- 1 6" X 6" square = 2 Fins
- 2 7 1/2" X 7 1/2" squares,  cut on the diagonal to make 4 triangles (\*)

### Sewing instructions:

**\*\*\*Sew all seams Right Sides Together using an Accurate 1/4" Seams**

- 1) Join strips "B" and "C" together by matching the centers. Pin and Stitch Press toward "C" (dark)
- 2) Cut the "A" 5 1/2" square corner to corner diagonally. Find the center of the long side of the triangle and match to the center B/C strip set. Pin and Stitch. Press away from the nose. This is the front half of your fish.

### **DO NOT TRIM THE EDGES OF THE B/C STRIP YET!**

**3a) Place the "A" and "D" 6" squares right sides together and draw a line corner to corner diagonally. Stitch 1/4" away from the line on both sides.**

**"STOP!!! DO NOT CUT APART "YET"!!!**

**3b) Draw a line from the other 2 corners diagonally. Cut on This Line.** Now, cut between the stitching on your first drawn line. Press the seams open. This will give you 4 fin sets. You will use Only 2 of them. Find the center on the long side of the triangle and match to the center of the B/C strip set.

4) Following the diagram, sew the A/D fins to the "D" 5 1/2" square. This is the back half of your Fish. Match the center of the A/B/C (front) to the A/D piece (back). Stitch and Press toward "C".

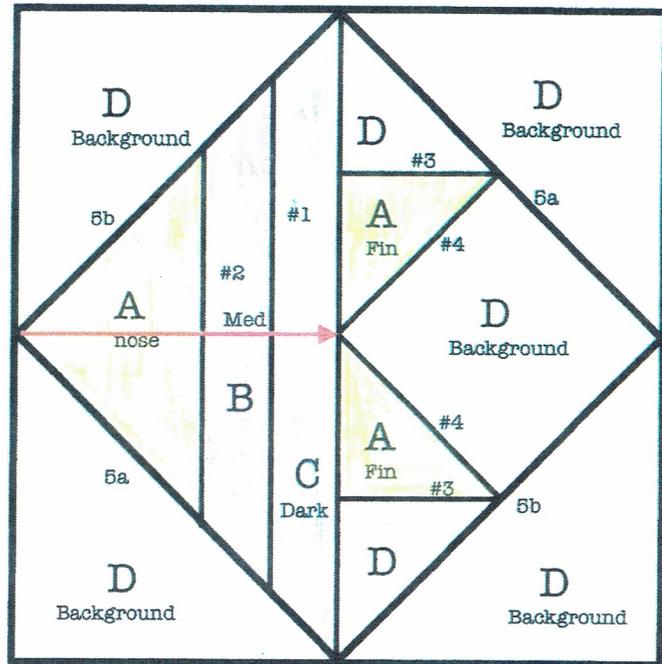
**Tip: Try squaring from the nose of the fish to the corner of the "D" background square. (Note see the Red Arrow on the drawing layout) – Squaring Points Only Don't Cut!!!**

Square the Fish block to 10" **Be Careful! You don't want to cut the nose off your fish!**

5) Center each "D" Triangle (\*) Onto the sides of the fish block. (points will extend slightly past the edges) Sew 5a seams and press towards the corners. Then sew 5b seams, press the opposite direction to miter.

**Total finished block should measure 14" Squared**

**Quilters by the Sea 2025**



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# What's Happening

## Events happening in the area.



Events around the Council Addresses and details are on the [SCCOG](#) website. Go to the bottom of the Home Page and click on Calendar7.

- June 6-8 Inland Empire Quilters Guild Quilt Show 9am-4pm
- June 28 Quilters by the Sea Quilt Show Be there or be square!
- July 10 Santa Clarita Quilt Guild Fabric Sale and Auction 6-9pm
- Sept 20 Orange County Quilters Guild Picnic in the Park Home Tour 9am-4pm

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3. Reserve hotel rooms for the group at a nearby hotel. (If there are 30 people on the bus, you most likely will need 15 rooms.) Calculate the cost of the rooms per person and add that to the per person bus rate from above.
4. Check out our [Quilting Bus Tour Packages here](#) - don't forget to add any extra add-ons or event ticket prices into your per-person total!
5. Invite 50 or more people to your bus trip and tell them that seats are limited. Fill your bus to 30 people (or more if you choose).
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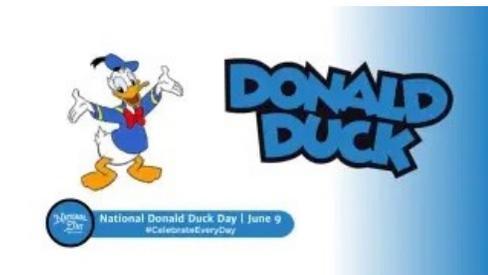
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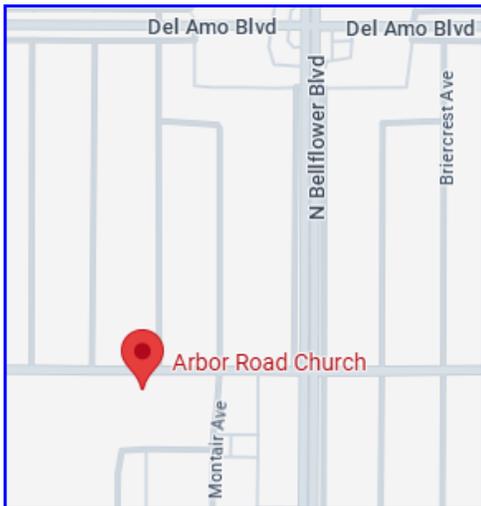


**New to quilting??? Check out these sites.**

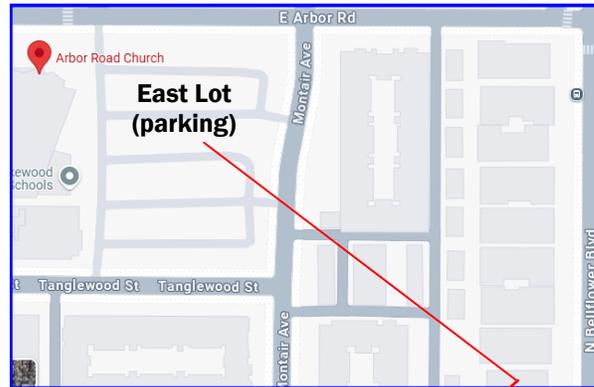
Glossary of quilting terms - [www.nationalquilterscircle.com/post/glossary-of-quilting-terms/](http://www.nationalquilterscircle.com/post/glossary-of-quilting-terms/)  
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Here is a link to a Missouri Star YouTube video called [Quilting 101: Parts of the Quilt](#)

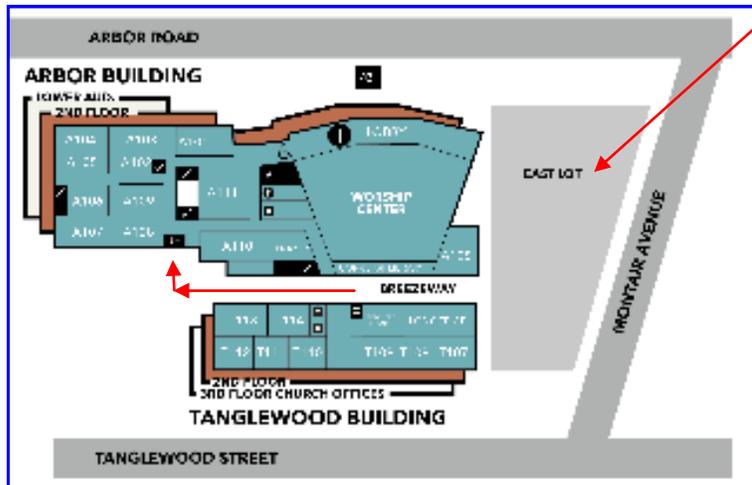
## How to get to our meeting location.



The Arbor Road Church at 5336 E. Arbor Road, Long Beach is located south of Del Amo Blvd. and west of Bellflower Blvd.



Once you park, here is how you get to the basement where we meet.



Walk through the Breezeway. When you get to the end (there is a chain link fence stopping you from going any further), turn right and then go through the double glass doors. Once inside you can get to the basement in one of two ways:

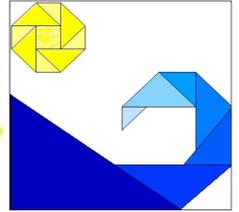
1. Use the elevator on your left to go down to the B level.
2. Walk straight ahead to the entry of the staircase and walk down.

## QBS Email Information

Some of us receive emails from the QBS account that says it is from “Quilters By the Sea” and others say it is from “Suzie Quilter”. Both of these are valid, so if you see “Suzie Quilter” please don’t junk it. It is from Quilters By the Sea.



# Quilters by the Sea



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**GENERAL MEETINGS** are held the **2nd THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH** unless otherwise stated in the newsletter and/or posted on the [Calendar](#) page of our [website](#).

**Doors open at 6:15 pm, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.**

Arbor Road Church, Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, 5336 E. Arbor Road, Long Beach, CA 90808

**BOARD MEETINGS** are held 9 days before the General Meeting at 6:30 pm unless otherwise stated in the newsletter and/or posted on the [Calendar](#) page of our [website](#). The location rotates among board members.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is the Wednesday after the General Meeting.** Please email articles in MS Word format to: [QuiltersByTheSea@gmail.com](mailto:QuiltersByTheSea@gmail.com)

As a reminder, we like to keep your information correct and updated in the Membership Roster. If you have any changes to your information as it appears or if you have updates, please email them to [quiltersbythesea@gmail.com](mailto:quiltersbythesea@gmail.com).

This guild is organized for educational and charitable purposes. Its objective is to further quilting excellence through education and travel, and to promote quilting in a philanthropic manner. This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to members thereof and is organized for nonprofit purposes. Annual dues are \$40.00 and shall be payable at or before the January general meeting. Membership shall be prorated if paid at or after the July general meeting and shall be half the full annual dues.

Reminder: visitor/guest fees are \$5.00 for in person meetings. Fees may be waived by the President or the Vice President of Programs only. Visitor Fees are generally waived when we do not have a paid speaker for that evening.