

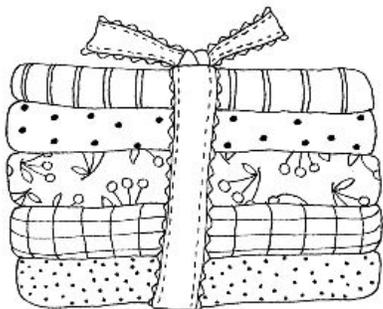


# Stitch 'n Times

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## president's message

A new year always makes me want to jump in to get my sewing area organized, and I think I'm not alone in that, given how many goodies appear on the Silent Auction table in January and February. This is a good thing, since the Silent Auction supports our wonderful Library.



What do you do when a new year starts? Do you drag out your old UFO, PIGS, and WIP\* projects, or do you jump in and start something new? The Santa Rosa Quilt Guild has something to help with whatever you choose to do this year. Soon, Melissa Trunick will start our UFO Challenge to encourage us to get projects finished for the Moonlight Quilters' show in June and the Sonoma County Fair in July. Our wonderful schedule of workshops offers something for everyone in 2010 and plenty of opportunities to start something new, so whatever your style --we've got you covered!

You, the members of the Santa Rosa Quilt Guild, always keep things energized and I am really looking forward to a great year with all of you!

\* Unfinished Objects, Projects in Grocery Sacks, Works in Progress

Jan Andrews

## programs & workshops

**PROGRAM JANUARY 21, 2010 ~ LINDA BALLARD "DISCOVER THE POSSIBILITIES"**  
**WORKSHOP JANUARY 22, 2010 ~ "THE BIG EASY"**



January's guest speaker is the fabulous Linda Ballard! I can't wait to meet her; so many of you have wonderful things to say about her. Linda will show us how to look at a quilt and "Discover the Possibilities" to make it come true. If you have ever looked at a quilt and wondered "How did they do that?" or "What are the components?" or "How could I piece it?" Well, you will get answers from Linda as she describes her process.

"The Big Easy" is based on a traditional block but has been updated with a few newer techniques for construction. Linda Ballard's workshops are always so much fun, and you always learn a trick or two for easier construction. This scrappy pattern makes a really fun quilt - which you may choose to make in one of three sizes, or choose your own size - or even just make one block as the center of a medallion quilt or a pillow.



Linda has requested that the *supply list* be provided only to those who have submitted payment for the class, so it will not be downloadable from our website. If you are taking the class, please request a copy from Linda Thomas or Rhonda Denny. There is a wait list for this class.

 Rhonda Denny & Linda Thomas

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## coming in february

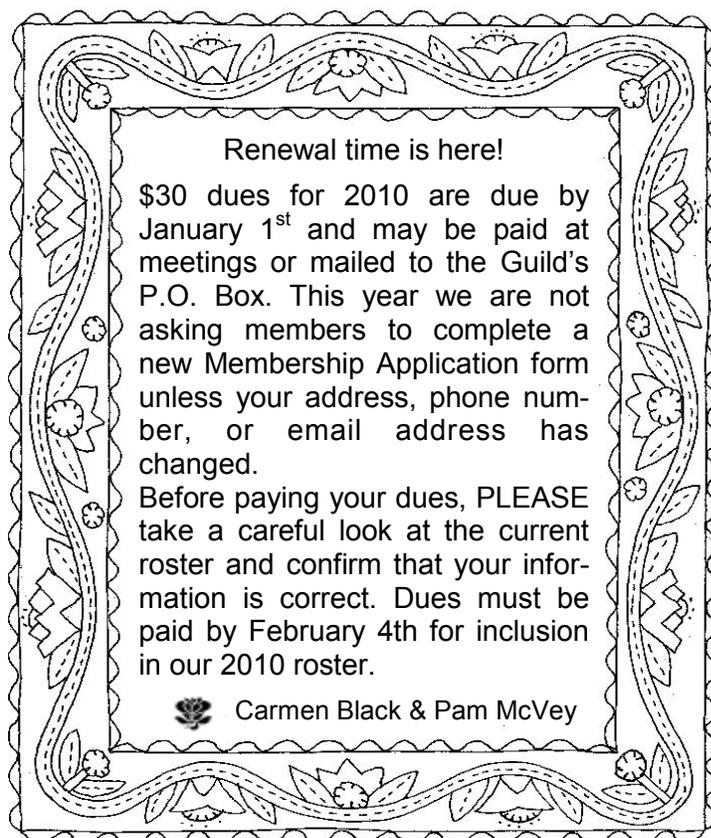
February's guest lecturer is Julie Hirota, author of Art Glass Quilts. Julie's lecture is entitled "All About Balance."

Learn Julie's newest technique for transforming your mandala or abstract into a tile mosaic quilt top. Each student will select a motif to make a unique wall piece. The class will nurture the creative side yet satisfy your need for a completed project. This class will fill up quickly, so sign up now!



See Julie's amazing work at her website:  
<http://www.jhiro.com/index.html>

 Rhonda Denny & Linda Thomas



## coming attractions 2010

Mark your calendars because we have a great schedule for 2010!

March 18-19, 2010

Raymond Huston

[www.nachograndmasquilts.com](http://www.nachograndmasquilts.com)

April 15-16, 2010

Scarlett Rose

[www.scarlettrose.com](http://www.scarlettrose.com)

May 20-21, 2010

Laura Wasilowski

[www.artfabrik.com/index.html](http://www.artfabrik.com/index.html)

June 17-18, 2010

Jane Sassaman

[www.janesassaman.com/home.html](http://www.janesassaman.com/home.html)

July 15-16, 2010

Sandy Turner

[www.sandyturner.com/](http://www.sandyturner.com/)

August 19-20, 2010

Jill Schumacher

[www.quiltmakertothequen.com/](http://www.quiltmakertothequen.com/)

October 21-22, 2010

Sylvia Davis

[Sylviaquilts@yahoo.com](mailto:Sylviaquilts@yahoo.com)

 Rhonda Denny & Linda Thomas

## moonlight quilters of sonoma county

Everyone is invited to attend the Program Meetings at 7 pm, Veterans Building, Santa Rosa. Workshops are open to everyone, contact Phyllis Gallaway if you are interested.

For more information of Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County, visit their website [www.mqsc.org](http://www.mqsc.org) or contact Phyllis Gallaway.

January 20th Program  
Round Robin Workshop

February 17th Program  
Melinda Bula ~ "Fabulous Fusible Flowers"  
[www.melindabula.com](http://www.melindabula.com)

February 20th Workshop  
Melinda Bula ~ "Developing the Artist Within Through Quilts and Wearable Arts."



 Phyllis Gallaway

## friendship blocks

I'm really looking forward to a New Year of working with all of you on the Friendship Blocks! I'll still be working to finish up the open blocks that are almost finished, and starting some new ones.

I just love having a quarterly drawing for those who turn in a friendship block during the quarter. (Just a little motivator !)

Thank you to all who participated last year. I loved every block !



Veline Ball

## cloverdale citrus fair

The Cloverdale Citrus Fair dates are February 12 – 15, 2010. The theme of this year's fair is "Salute to the US Military". If you are entering an exhibit, you may get an Entry Form and Guidebook from their website. On the home page click on "Annual Citrus Fair", then click on "Vendors & Entry Forms". From there click on "Exhibitor Guide Book" and "Exhibitor Entry Form". The Entry forms are due by Friday, January 22, 5 pm. Our guild gives an award for Hand Quilting with a Rosette and \$25.00 for adults and \$10.00 for Juniors. Entries are free and open to any California resident.



Let's show Cloverdale how wonderful a fair can look with lots of quilts!

Visit their website for more information:

<http://cloverdalecitrusfair.org/index.php>



Pam McVey

 **Meeting Minutes**  
The minutes of our meetings can be found on our website. Please review them and report any corrections to Jan Andrews.

## technique sharing workshops

You are welcome to attend any or all Technique Sharing Workshops (TSW's for short), which are free short classes, taught by guild members, held after lunch at many guild meetings. Coming up:

**January 7th**, bring your sewing machine to learn how to *chain piece a whole baby quilt top* together quickly and easily, starting with just one stack of squares. Pam Beebe will walk us through the steps, and having your machine will really help your learning! You can apply this great technique to easily sew blocks together for any top you make, starting with them all in one stack!

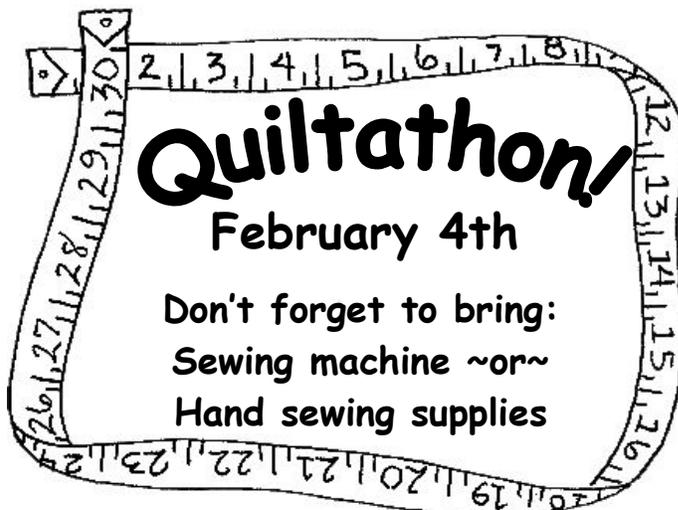
**January 21st**, we have a 2-part TSW with Jan Head. First, learn *how to apply borders* so all your quilts and community quilts will be square and flat. No more "friendly" borders that "wave" at you! Second, Jan will teach us how to *prepare our quilts for long-arm quilting*. Many long-arm quilters charge extra (because of the extra time needed) for fixing issues which are easily done by you beforehand. Learn to avoid these extra costs and any delay in having your quilt finished.

**February 18<sup>th</sup>**, join Diana Roberts to learn *how to make yo-yo's*, using the old-style method and the new yo-yo makers. Diana will also demonstrate some fun things to do with yo-yo's.

**March 4**, learn from June Moes how to *"mark" your quilts like the Victorians did* using blue line waste canvas, embroidery floss and cross stitch. June's technique was featured in Jean Ray Laury's book "Creating Body Coverings" in 1974. June will supply the materials.



Tera Antaree



# Quilting on the Web



**Listen to Music from all over the world while you sew; plus Amish Quilts find a home.**

Vol.1 No.2  
By Linda Morand

I love to listen to music when I machine quilt and after a while I had heard all my albums at least 10 times each. Then I discovered **iTunes Internet Radio** on my computer. I was familiar with iTunes from my son downloading songs onto his iPod. I have so many albums in LP, cassette format and CDs, why would I want to pay for more songs? So free Internet radio is a boon! The iTunes program can be downloaded for free in a version for Mac or for Windows. Go to <http://www.kqed.org/radio/listen> and then scroll down to the section that says "Download free audio players" and follow the directions for your computer. When the iTunes window appears look on the left under LIBRARY and scroll down to Radio. Click on radio and you will have a choice of types of stations available from Adult Contemporary, Classical, Classic Rock, Sports, Talk, Oldies, Country and many, many more. Click on the triangle and the stations appear. There are over 61 streams available just for Classical music that include an all opera sta-

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## Quilting on the Web continued

tion, a station for Canadian composers, new electronic music from San Francisco and my favorite, a classical station from Venice, Italy. My husband ran a wire from my computer, which is in one bedroom, to speakers in my sewing room so I can listen while I sew.

*I find that Mozart is best to listen to when sewing feathers.*

Julie Silber, the quilt historian and past curator of the **Esprit Collection** of Amish Quilts has spoken to SRQG several times. She and her partner, Jean Demeter, have a web-based antique quilt business, The Quilt Complex located in beautiful Albion on the Mendocino coast. When you go to the short slideshow video with musical accompaniment by quilter Joe Cunningham appears, showing highlights of the original Esprit Collection with an analysis of the quilt patterns. Eighty-two of the Lancaster Amish quilts of the original 300 quilts in the Esprit Collection were saved from being dispersed to private collections when, now divorced owner, Doug Tompkins, sold the quilts in 2002 for one million dollars to the Heritage Center Museum of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. They are now exhibited on a rotating basis at the Lancaster Quilt and Textile Museum. Some of the remaining quilts are for sale from Julie if you would like one of your own.

I appreciate any input from you on sites I should share in upcoming issues. Email me at [morand@sonic.net](mailto:morand@sonic.net) with those links.

## community smart card

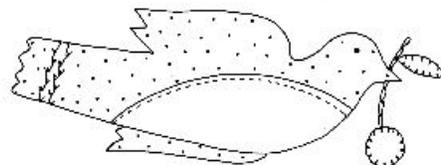
Thanks to all members who have been using their cards. Use your Community Smart Card at local stores, and the store will make a donation. If your card is expiring or you don't have a card I can get one for you. Just email me or let me know at the next SRQG meeting. All you do is show or swipe your Community Smart Card before paying for your purchase. Don't forget to use your Community Smart cards at the following merchants: Andy's Produce, E.R. Sawyer Jewelers, Friedman's Home Improvement Stores and many more which can be seen on the [www.communitysmart.com](http://www.communitysmart.com) website. Merchants participating will make a donation in your name to our guild. The guild is asking for a \$3.75 donation to pay the cost of the card.

 Linda Sims

## pointless sisters

The Pointless Sisters art quilt group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Luther Burbank Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Avenue in Santa Rosa. The group shares their work, discusses new trends and art quilt techniques, provides education programs and sponsors challenges. All guild members interested in art quilting are invited to join us at our January 26th meeting. The annual membership fee is \$30.

 Carolle Hirsch



## library news

Another new year is upon us and there are lots of new quilting books to keep us inspired.

Below is a list of newly introduced books into our library. Since I have been dragged into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and now have all of our guild's library books on our website, I am cheating and no longer writing out my comments about each new book to be published in the newsletter, but only listing the new additions here, and by doing this, it will also push more guild members into using our website, too. For my comments and images of the covers of the books, please click and click on LIBRARY. I am constantly receiving comments from members about how wonderful it is to be able to browse through the list of books from the comfort of one's own home. If you have not yet tried out the site and wish for a bit of assistance, see me before or after a meeting and I will give you some tips while using the guild laptop in the library corner.

LAYER 'EM UP by Sharyn Craig (great for Community Quilts!)

LAYER 'EM UP #2 by Sharyn Craig (use those "layer cakes")

A QUILTER'S HOLIDAY by Jennifer Chiaverini (her 15<sup>th</sup> novel – read in order)

JAPANESE GARDEN QUILT by Karen Kay Buckley (circle blocks to hand or machine appliqué)

STUDIO ART QUILT ASSOCIATES, INC., PORTFOLIO 15 (approx. 225 wonderful art quilts)

OUT OF THE BOX by Mary Lou Weidman (including quilts by Diana Roberts and Sharon Fry!)

PIECED BORDERS COLLECTION (a donation – 50 patterns to frame your quilts)

*Some thoughts to make my life easier:*

- Extra eyes to recommend great items for our library
- Nametags so that I don't have to tax my mind
- Sign in at the Membership table so that we know you are in the room when we are trying to deliver items to you
- Assistance with helping to keep the Library running as smoothly as possible (five minutes, whatever – every little bit helps – and

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## community quilts

We are keeping Sonoma County Covered.

2009 has been a wonderful year. So much has happened it is hard to know where to start. First I want to say thank you to all of you who worked on our community projects. We broke the records for our donations. We delivered 1,604 quilts and 468 NICU hats to the many agencies that we support; please see the list on our web page; 150 wheelchair bags to the Veterans Home in Yountville, 160 wheelchair bags to Sonoma Developmental Center and numerous scarves to schools and other agencies. I must say we have been very busy.



Pam McVey gave me a very pleasant gift from the Kenwood Yacht Club of \$1,254.29 which will be used to purchase the flannel and batting for the upcoming year. Bob Salomon recommended us and we are very grateful. Our member Jean Chirhart recommended us to the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa East and they donated \$500 which will also be used to buy supplies for the quilts we donate. Many of our members donate fabric all year and many more bought flannel and donated it for our baby quilts. Words cannot express how I feel belonging to a group that is so generous with time and donations so we can help our community.

 Lavella Cassinelli

### library news continued

we train on the spot – don't like the job? we'll find one you do like? Pay? Name your price (and cross your fingers!)

- A nice way to meet your fellow guild members
- Donations to and purchases from the Silent Auction Table to help raise funds
- Purchases of 50/50 tickets to help raise funds
- Checking out lots and lots of books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, Videos
- And returning those items at the next meeting so I don't have to take the time to bug you

May your New Year be filled with all of your favorite things!

 Sharon 'The Librarian' Fry

# Santa Rosa Quilt Guild Affiliate Members

## **Aiko's Asian Fabric**

Cynthia Bessonon, Owner  
707-537-7270 shop online or by appointment  
[service@aikosasianfabric.com](mailto:service@aikosasianfabric.com)  
[www.aikosasianfabric.com](http://www.aikosasianfabric.com)

## **Angie's Custom Quilting**

Angela Thornton  
4001 Old River Rd., Ukiah, CA 95482  
707-462-7411  
[angelathornton27@yahoo.com](mailto:angelathornton27@yahoo.com)  
<http://www.angiescustomquilting.com/>

## **Heartmade Quilts**

Longarm Quilting  
Barbara Youngblood  
[barbquiltr@aol.com](mailto:barbquiltr@aol.com)  
[heartmadequilts@aol.com](mailto:heartmadequilts@aol.com)  
<http://www.heartmadequilts.com/>

## **The Material Girl**

Nicole Cowlin  
6119 Old Redwood Highway, Ste. B4  
Santa Rosa, 95403  
707-836-0114  
Tues.-Sat. 10-6, Sun, 12-5  
Most Tues.-Thurs. open until 8:30  
<http://www.materialgirlfabric.com/>

## **Parkside Sewing Center**

Jim & Anne Marie Wyllie  
410 Santa Rosa Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404  
Mon.-Fri. 9:30-5:30, Sat. 9-12  
707-576-1430

## **Picket Fence Quilts**

6090 Redwood Blvd., Novato, CA 94945  
415-892-8380  
Mon.-Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 12-4  
<http://www.picketfencequilts.net/index.html>

## **Quilted Vine**

Lynda McLean  
1591 Farmers Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95405  
707.546-0750  
Mon.-Sat. 10-5, Sun. 12-4  
<http://www.quiltedvine.com/>

## **Quilted Cottage**

Diana Nissim  
Shop online 24/7  
<http://www.quilted-cottage.com/>

## **The Sewing & Vacuum Place**

1250 Mendocino Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95401  
707-575-5279  
Mon.-Sat. 10-6  
<http://www.mysewvacplace.com/>

## **Sunflower Quilting & Sewing Studio**

Long Arm Quilting • Quilt Binding  
751 Sir Francis Drake Bl., San Anselmo, CA  
415-458-8852 or 415-533-9950  
Open by appointment

## **TopStitchers**

Custom Machine Quilting  
Kathy Martin and Louisa Otis  
401 7th St., Suite 16, Petaluma, CA 94952  
707-775-3661

## **Village Sewing Center**

210 Coddington Mall, Santa Rosa, CA 95401  
707-544-7529  
Mon.-Sat. 10-6  
<http://www.villagesewing.com/>



## **Board Meeting**

Thursday, January 28th  
Scottish Rite Family Room  
All members are welcome

### **stitch'n times advertising rates**

Business Card	2.25" x 3.5"	\$10.00
1/4 page vertical	3.5" x 4.875"	\$25.00
1/4 page horizontal	4.875" x 3.5"	\$25.00
1/2 page vertical	3.65" x 9.75"	\$50.00
1/2 page horizontal	7.5" x 4.75"	\$50.00
Full page	7.5" x 9.75"	\$100.00

Contact Newsletter Editor Jan Andrews

# 2010 executive board

## 2010 ELECTED BOARD

President	Jan Andrews
Vice President	Jan Head
Treasurer	Phyllis Galloway
Recording Secretary	
Program Chairs	Rhonda Denny
	Linda Thomas
Program Chairs Elect	Janice Rodgers
	Diana Roberts
Corresponding Secretary	Lavella Cassinelli
Parliamentarian	Janice Juul

## 2010 COMMITTEES

Bag Lady	Juanita Campbell
Block of the Month*	Barbara Cortelyou, Joyce Wood
	Linda Ziemer & Rhonda Denny
Boutique*	Betty Upchurch
Community Projects*	Lavella Cassinelli
Fair Liaison*	Pam McVey
Field Trips	Melissa Trunick
Finance (Treasurer)	Phyllis Galloway

Friendship Blocks  
Historian\*  
Hospitality

Library\*  
Membership\*

MQSC Liaison \*  
Newsletter Editor\*  
Newsletter Circulation  
Newsletter Proofreading  
Nominating (Parliamentarian)\*  
NCQC Liaison\*  
Opportunity Quilt Tickets\*  
Photographer  
Sunshine  
TSW (Tech. Sharing) \*  
Website\*  
Past President\*

Veline Ball  
Sharon Fry  
Georgiann Morrissey &  
Carolle LeMonnier  
Sharon Fry  
Carmen Black, Pam McVey &  
Blanche Mansoor  
Phyllis Galloway  
Jan Andrews  
Pat Marabella  
Diana Roberts  
Janice Juul  
Janice Rodgers  
Glenda Ross  
Kat Stephens  
Mirna Estes  
Tera Antaree  
Jan Head  
Linda Hooper

\* Standing Committee

# Remember!

- NAME TAG • SHOW AND TELL • COFFEE MUG •
- LIBRARY BOOKS • LUNCH • NO PETS • NO FRAGRANCES •
- REUSABLE PLATE & FORK • CELL PHONE ON SILENT •

## srqg 2010 calendar

### JANUARY

- 7 Business Meeting**  
Installation of 2010 officers  
TSW: Pam Beebe ~ "Easy Chain Pieced NICU Quilts"
- 21 Program Meeting**  
Linda Ballard ~ "Discover the Possibilities"  
TSW: Jan Head ~ "No Wave Borders and Preparing Your Quilt Top for Longarm Quilting"
- 22 Workshop**  
Linda Ballard ~ "The Big Easy"  
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center  
2050 Yulupa, Santa Rosa
- 26 Pointless Sisters**  
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center  
2050 Yulupa, Santa Rosa

### FEBRUARY

- 4 QUILTATHON**
- 12-15 Cloverdale Citrus Fair**  
Friday 8 am to 10 pm  
Saturday-Sunday 8 am to 8 pm  
Monday 8 am to 6 pm
- 18 Program Meeting**  
Julie Hirota ~ "All About Balance"  
TSW: Diana Roberts ~ "Yo-yo's Made Easy"
- 19 Workshop**  
Julie Hirota ~ "Mosaics"  
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center  
2050 Yulupa, Santa Rosa
- 23 Pointless Sisters**  
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center  
2050 Yulupa, Santa Rosa



# Quilt Shows and Places To Go

February 5 - 7

**Folsom Quilt & Fiber Guild**  
 Friday - Sunday 10 am - 5 pm  
 Sunday 10 am - 4 pm  
 Folsom Community Center  
 52 Natoma St., Folsom, CA  
<http://www.folsomquilt.org/>

February 27 - 28

**Quilts: It's Easy Being Green**  
 Pajaro Valley Quilt Association  
 Saturday 10 - 5, Sunday 12 - 4  
 Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds  
 Hwy. 152/ 2601 East Lake Ave., Watsonville, CA  
[http://www.pvqa.org/site/index.php/site/quiltshow\\_2009/](http://www.pvqa.org/site/index.php/site/quiltshow_2009/)

March 20 - 21

**Threads of Friendship**  
 More information to follow!  
<http://www.valleyquiltguild.com/index.htm>

March 20 - 21

**Guild of Quilters of Contra Costa County**  
 Saturday 10 am - 5 pm, Sunday 10 am - 4 pm  
 Centre Concord, 5298 Clayton Rd., Concord, CA  
<http://www.contracostaquiltguild.org/>

April 10 - 11

**Voices in Cloth**  
 East Bay Heritage Quilters  
 Saturday 10 am - 5 pm, Sunday 10 am - 4 pm  
 Oakland Convention Center  
 1894 <http://www.ebhq.org/vic2010/>

April 10 - 11

**You Oughta Be In Pictures**  
 Foothill Quilters Guild  
 Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn, CA  
[http://www.foothillquilters.org/quilt\\_show/quilt\\_show-10.html](http://www.foothillquilters.org/quilt_show/quilt_show-10.html)

April 24 - 25

**Seven Sisters Quilt Show**  
 Associated Quilt Guilds of the Central Coast  
 Saturday 9 am - 5 pm, Sunday 9 am - 4 pm  
 Alex Madonna Expo Center, 100 Madonna Rd.  
 San Luis Obispo, CA  
[http://www.aqgcc.org/Events/Seven\\_Sisters\\_Quilt\\_Show\\_2008.htm](http://www.aqgcc.org/Events/Seven_Sisters_Quilt_Show_2008.htm)

**Save the Date!**

June 5 - 6

**Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County**

June 12 - 13

**Monterey Peninsula Quilt Guild**  
 Seaside High School  
<http://www.mpgg.org/text/quiltShow.html>

