

Welcome New Members

Welcome to SAQA!

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Way to Go!

SAQA GLOBAL EXHIBIT

3 Florida artists have been accepted into the SAQA Global Exhibit, "Fur, Fangs, Feathers, Fins." 42 pieces were accepted for the exhibition, which debuts at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum in Tucson in April of 2022.



(Above) **Silver King Highway** by Joyce Ferrie
(Above, R) **Beauty Queen** by Kestrel Michaud
(Right) **Lords of the Forest** by Sharon Buck

Patricia Turner is pleased to announce that her installation about the Pulse Nightclub massacre, “Assault on Orlando,” received BEST OF SHOW award in the National Association of Women Artists “Beyond the Frame” exhibit. NAWA, based in Manhattan, is the oldest women’s art association in our country at 132 continuous years. Current NAWA board members include Faith Ringgold and Judy Chicago.



Florida and Nebraska SAQA member Patricia Anderson Turner, as a juried artist member of NAWA, will also be included in NAWA’s 132nd annual exhibit this fall. Turner’s work, **Gunned Down Grandsons** also received an award in a NAWA exhibition earlier this year.

Patricia has also been exhibiting two versions of **Treasonous Clowns**. The 80” x 60” full version was awarded first place at Art Center Manatee earlier this summer. A micro version, framed in a black shadow box, is exhibiting at the Alliance for the Arts in Ft. Myers through August 1.

Patricia exhibited her work, **Wounds the Size of Oranges**, at the Lufrano Gallery of UNF in Jacksonville through August 30. Her work **Legacy** exhibited at Art Center Sarasota in July in the “Process” exhibit. She is included in the National Association of Women Artists exhibit “Some Like it Hot” with **Florida’s Flooded Future** online now until 8/10/22



Ellen Simon is pleased that her work, **Golden City**, (Right) is exhibiting at Florida CraftArt in St. Petersburg this summer as part of "Oh the Places You Will Go" July 9th- Aug 28th



Gretchen Brooks is pleased to announce that her piece **Remembrance** (Below) has been accepted into the Houston International Quilt Show in the "In Full Bloom" exhibit.

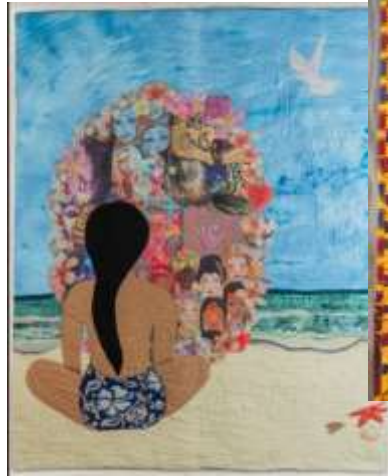
Gretchen is also pleased that **Darkness Becomes Her**, inspired by the many owls that she hears calling most nights around her house, was accepted by Martha Sielman for publication in her forthcoming book on birds in quilts.



Ellen Lindner is delighted that her piece, **Miscommunication**, won 3rd place at the Biennial Fiber Arts Exhibit, in Bedford, VA.

Sharon Buck is pleased to announce that two of her works have been accepted into Fabulous Fibers, a SAQA Regional Show for Indiana-KY-TN members held at the John James Audubon Museum in Henderson, KY Aug 19- Nov 28. Sharon is a dual member of FL/TN.

Reflections of a Dream
Finding Your Roots.



Susan Rienzo is happy to announce that her quilt ***Heat Wave*** was accepted into “Here Comes the Sun” at the Art Center Sarasota. This is an all media exhibit. The dates are July 23-August 20.

Susan’s quilt, “Breakaway” was accepted for the online exhibit 'Textures, Patterns, Shapes or Forms 2021' opening August 5th, on Las Laguna Art Gallery website: www.laslagunaartgallery.com

Susan will also be making a talk about her quilt journey and presentation of her quilts at Seaside Piecemakers Quilt Guild, October 27th, along with teaching: Playful Pot of Blooms, a creative class with no patterns.



Perlie Petrillo is happy to announce that her work has been accepted into the special exhibit that Phyllis Cullen and Cindy Richard will be curating at the Live Mancuso Quilt Festivals between August 2021 and February 2022.



Kim Laffont's whimsical art quilt *The Dance* has been selected to be shown in The Flagler County Art League "On a High Note." The show will be open online from July 25 to September 28, 2021. www.flaglercountyartleague.org



Bobbi Baugh is delighted that her work *Entering Untold Stories* (detail shown) will be included in Martha Sielman's forthcoming book on bird imagery in quilts.

Bobbi has also been accepted as a Breakout Session presenter at the 2022 SAQA Global Conference. She will present "Once Upon a Time... Storytelling 101"

News: Successful Art Adoption Fundraiser...



Serendipidity, by Esther Bruckel, was one of the works adopted during the event.

A great idea + hard work by volunteers + strong participation = FUNDRAISING SUCCESS

From July 19 through 23, SAQA Florida offered 78 pieces of art from its roaming galleries for adoption. Prices were reduced each day. The event raised over \$3,000 for future state SAQA activity. Thank you to everyone who made work for the Roaming Galleries, which traveled for three years and raised public awareness about what art quilts are.

Karol Kusmaul initiated this idea, suggested it to the Exhibition Committee, and also did all of the photography and mounting of the works.

Ellen Nepustil organized the schedules and mailed out the adopted work.

Angie Knowles set up the Adoption store on our website (which she also created) and managed everything during the event

Well done, all!!!

News: Time to register for the retreat...



Demonstrations
Fun
Camaraderie
Rest and Relaxation

Retreat registration opens Monday August 2nd at 10am

CLICK HERE

for complete information and the REGISTRATION FORM

Or access through your browser: <https://saga.z2systems.com/event.jsp?event=2148&>

News: Our Exhibitions...

Floridian Flavors:

Characters, Culture, and Cuisine Exhibiting NOW

If you haven't yet visited our gorgeous exhibit at Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art, time is running out! The exhibit closes on August 15th.

Floridian Flavors:

Characters, Culture, and Cuisine Exhibiting NEXT

This exhibit will open on the east coast at the Court House Cultural Center Galleries located at 80 E. Ocean Blvd., Stuart FL 34996.

Exhibition dates are January 11 thru February 26, 2022.

The Artist's Question ... Answered in Fiber

I hope you are well along to finishing your entry(ies). If not, there's still plenty of time. Online Entry opens September 1, 2021. For the month of September, the entry fee will be discounted to \$25 for up to 3 entries. Then, from October 1 - 31, 2021, the entry fee will return to our standard of \$30 for up to 3 entries. I'm eager to see all the fabulous art which our participants will be submitting.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact me at yearfive@hotmail.com. (Please include either Floridian Flavors or Artist's Question on the subject line depending on which exhibit you wish to discuss.) from Diane Powers Harris Exhibitions Chair, Florida Region

News: Next Statewide Meeting...

Don't forget we have a regional Zoom get-together on **August 8 at 2 PM**. A link will be sent to you closer to the date. For this meeting we will have a presentation by Kestrel Michaud and Margaret Knepper on using Procreate on the iPad. After that, we will watch a presentation titled, "Make More From Your Finished Artwork," by Vicki Conley. She shares ideas of how you can use art you have already made as a starting point for new art. Make the art you have work for you. And, of course, we will have our Show and Share session. Please send images of the artwork you want to share to Doris Hulse hulse2dw@msn.com and also, if you have them, photos of the processes you used to make them. See you there!

News: from Quiltfolk Magazine...

Quiltfolk released *Issue 19: Northern Florida* on July 1! You can get a sneak peek of some of the amazing folks you'll find within its pages on the website: <https://www.quiltfolk.com/issue-19-northern-florida/>

Offer for Floridian Quilters: coupon code **SAQAQF19**, created exclusively for your group, will give members 20% off any purchase on our website, including *Issue 19: Northern Florida*!

The coupon code is very easy for your members to use. They can go to our website and add the items they'd like to their cart. Then they can enter the coupon code in one of two places: their shopping cart or during checkout. The discount will be reflected on their total amount.

Issue 19 is currently available for pre-order on our website: <https://www.quiltfolk.com/product/quiltfolk-issue-19-northern-florida/>



News: Museum Recommendation...

For anyone in Florida there are 3 good exhibits at <https://www.sarasotaartmuseum.org/>

2nd floor is a painter. On the 3rd floor there are two "fiber" exhibits. Charles McGill: In the Rough features art with deconstructed golf bags (exhibiting through November) which I just loved and the other exhibit is baskets built around the concept of coil. Well worth the visit from Pam in SW FL



News from Florida's Pods...

Pod 2 Whoo hoo!, we met in person this month. It was so nice to see everyone who could attend. We had 7 in person and 7 in Zoom.

Lauree Hemke, our newest member's quilt "Pier-ouette in the Moonlight" is the program cover for the Amelia Island Dance Festival 2021.

Cindy Bennett from Dress a Girl Around the World stopped by to talk to us about dress and fabric donations for an international program of making dresses in the US and abroad for underprivileged girls. More information can be found at <https://www.dressagirlaroundtheworld.com/>

We are preparing for a local exhibit for "Creative HeARTS" with Community Hospice & Palliative Care. The theme is 'Sun'. Becky Stacks' Sun quilt is beautiful,

Linda Krause is teaching an Inktense Workshop - Inktense Express - Workshop with "Color Me Quilts" fabric drawings - August 21st, 12:30-3:30, Zoom. For more information you can email Linda at naturesquilter@gmail.com. (She also has pencil sets available - a better price than Amazon)

Jan Lipsky presented "Using Tulle in Fiber Art". What a great presentation with lots of references and humor. Samples were distributed and ideas were shared. Jan has made over 30 Village quilts from friend and family travel pictures, using Karen Eckmeier's book "Happy Villages"

Our next meeting is Saturday August 28, 10am at the Bartram Trail Library in Fruit Cove and Zoom. All are invited.



Liberator An Marshall



Village Jan Lipsky



Far Left:
Jan Lipsky models
a wedding veil

Left:
inside Lisa Hamilton's
studio



Painted Forest Karen Kimmel



round robin project in progress – Karen Kimmel



Far Left:
Pier-ouette in Moonlight
Lauree Hemke



Left:
Acrylic Painting
Of Luna
Lisa Hamilton



Nativity Lynne Hartman



Sun Quilt Becky Stack



Cindy Bennett shows a dress
from Dress A Girl Around the World



Vessels
by Gretchen Brooks.

See more works from
Gretchen on page 3 of this newsletter



Linda Krause
Fiber Artist



Quilt using Inktense drawing

Inktense Express - Workshop
with "Color Me Quilts" fabric drawings

**August 21, 2021 12:30-3:30 120 NW 2nd Ave High Springs, FL
32643 \$45 fee includes registration & kit (payment required to reserve your seat)**

Pod 3 Pod 3 sends many thanks to Pam Erickson for her presentation at our July meeting. Despite technical problems, we were able to admire the work Pam showed. Thank you to all of the patient people who waited as we got online a second time to finish Pam's talk.

Our pod decided to keep our schedule of Zoom meetings on the second Wednesday at 12 noon in odd number months, and begin to meet in person in October on the second Wednesday at 12 noon, and even number months thereafter. Hope you can join us.

Kat Campau, pod 3 leader, is not able to share the minutes of the meeting. She hopes to have a new company providing better internet before the next meeting.

Our next Zoom meeting is Sept. 8, Wednesday, at 12 noon. Use the same link as last meeting. Kat will resend it a week in advance.

Pod 3S The Pod 3 Sarasota zoom meeting time has changed! We still meet on the second Wednesday of even months. ***The new meeting time is 7-9pm!!***
If you would like to join us, email maggiedillondesigns@gmail.com

Kudos!!! **Pam Morris:**

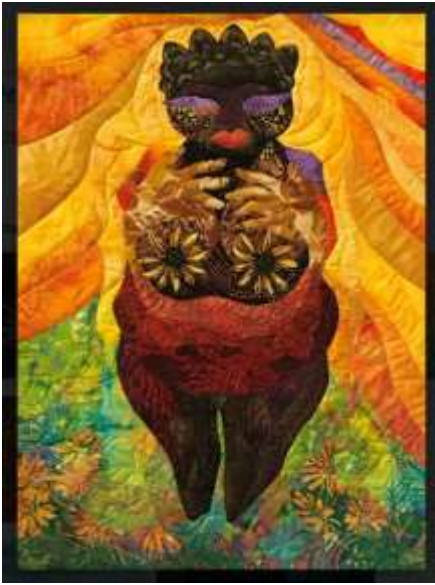
Pam's lovely, donated auction quilt ***Sailing Away*** is featured on a notice in the recent SAQA magazine. Page 27!! Way to go Pam!!



Christine Holden: Big Blue, 33" x 38" & Perspective in Pink, 24" x 36" have been accepted to be included in Martha upcoming book "Fiber Artists Inspired by Birds" with Schiffer Publishing. Congratulations, Christine!!!

Peg Green: Four of Peg's Goddess quilts were juried into the Art Exhibit of the Association for the Study of Women and Mythology. <https://aswmgallery.smugmug.com/>

Goddesses by Peg Green



Lisa Pannacione: Lisa has one fiber piece and 2 paintings in the Abstract Art Group of New England show at the Newburyport (MA)Art Association until July 25th. She donated (annual scholarship auction) a 4"x4" fiber piece to the Brush Gallery in Lowell , MA.

Pod 4

Chris Clark and Ellen Schwark co-hosted our Pod 4 meeting in Deland this month. Halleluiah, finally we were able to meet in person!

Besides Chris and Ellen, Audrey Butler, Emma Fleischer, Mary McBride and Normajean Brevik attended.

Our festivities began with some wonderful retail therapy at Oceans Of Thread quilt shop on Woodland Ave. in Deland. Chris made special arrangements for the shop to open exclusively for us as

they are normally closed on Mondays. It's an adorable, well stocked shop and was a wonderful reintroduction to REAL in-person shopping again. :-)

Chris provided the option to have lunch picked up at the Boston Coffee House or bring your own bag lunch. Next we headed to Ellen's church (Church of the Holy Presence in Deland) and had our lunch.

We were surrounded by Ellen's amazing artwork in the church's gathering area and vestibule. Her vast, jaw dropping body of work in the church depicts "Creation". She creates and combines fabric, tulle, Angelina, Mylar, specialty threads and tissue paper! Ellen gave us a demonstration of her intriguing process of applying, layering and manipulating tissue paper in her work. Once dry she is able to stitch and embellish the tissue papers to complete her works. It was a fascinating and comprehensive demo and Ellen made it look so easy using fairly simple and inexpensive tools and techniques.

Normajean talked about several submission opportunities that SAQA has and encouraged everyone to participate in *The Artist's Question Answered in Fiber*. She also talked about creating a small piece for the Traveling Trunk Show. Details for these calls and many others are available on the SAQA website. She also talked about our upcoming meetings, places and hosts. Hosting a meeting in your area is fun and is as simple as you want to make it. Contact Normajean (info below) to find out more and pick a month that is convenient for you to host or co-host in your area.

Thank you both Chris and Ellen for hosting the meeting. I speak for all when I say that it was a LOT of fun! Normajean Brevik will host the next meeting in the **Ormond Beach area on Monday August 30th**, Place, Time and Events to be determined. I hope that you will all "save the date" so that you can join us. (Please note that due to prior commitments and the Labor Day holiday we will not be able to meet in our normally scheduled month of September so the meeting has been moved up to August.)

Stay safe and keep stitching. Normajean Brevik Pod 4 Leader seasew@yahoo.com

Pod 5

ATTENDEES: Kat Campau, Gabriele DiTota, Joan Engel, Linda Geiger, Doris Hulse, Anne Jones, Ellen Lindner, Kestrel Michaud, Ruth Anne Parker, Sharon Rohde, Ellen Schwark, Kay Smith

CONGRATS to **Bobbi Baugh, Kestrel Michaud, Doris Hulse** and **Gabriele DiTota**! Their works are headed to France! Four artists from Florida were accepted into the SAQA Global Exhibition "Light the World," scheduled to debut at the European Patchwork Meeting, Sainte-Marie-Aux-Mines, France in September 2021. The show will then travel to other venues for approximately two years.

Kestrel has 2 quilts going to Houston for the judged competition at the International Quilt Festival and a quilt on exhibit with Quilt National '21. That quilt was also purchased while on display.

Linda Geiger has a piece in the Rust Exhibit at the Fifth Avenue Gallery

Ellen Lindner's quilt "Miscommunication" took 3rd place in an annual Fiber Art show in VA. She has a piece going to a juried show in NC. She and several other SAQA FL members were featured in the latest Quilt Folk Magazine.

Kay Smith has yet another quilt accepted for the Quilt Art Engagement Calendar

GENERAL UPDATES:

Monthly SAQA meetings will continue in-person only on the 2nd Saturday of odd numbered months – (unless the CDC says we cannot meet). Play dates will continue 'between months' on Zoom. Next Play date will be AUG 14 at 12:30.

CALENDAR NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEPT 11 2021:

- Sarina will be doing the book share
- Valerie will be doing a presentation on Recycled fiber jewelry

FL FALL RETREAT in Winter Park – FRI NOV 5th thru MON NOV 8th:

NOV 13 2021 – PHOTO DAY at Kestrel's + Pot Luck

Ruth Anne will be doing a presentation on iColorama. iColorama is an imaging app for creators interesting in enhancing their photos/ paintings/drawings and converting them into pieces of art.

JAN 2022: Presentation idea: Panel discussion on Series

What makes it a series, how to construct a series, what are the benefit of a series, ...
Someone on the panel will investigate the article on the SAQA website about Series

BOOKSHARE:

Kestrel did a book share on *Imaginative Realism* by James Gurney, the creator of *Dinotopia*.

Dinotopia is a series of illustrated fantasy books, created by author and illustrator James Gurney.

Imaginative Realism provides useful lessons for anyone doing interpretive work. It discusses color studies (testing varied colors on the same picture); how to add interest by having characters doing something unusual; designing Mockets (scale mini models that help show where shadows will fall: spoke wheeling – having multiple objects point to a focus; perspective -sizing for foreground vs background and discusses the step-by-step process from charcoal sketch to finished picture. The concepts were all interesting and relevant to all artists.

On another topic ... BATTING: Kestrel brought in samples of wool felt non wovens that can be used for batting. She used a 20/80 wool rayon blend from National Nonwovens as she finds it minimizes creases in her quilts. She also had a sample of a 35/65 wool rayon blend. The felt comes in multiple colors and can be ordered online or purchased at JoAnn's.

PROGRAM:

Doris Hulse did a great presentation about Inktense pencils. Doris said you will also need Silver Scrubber Brushes (stiff ones); Aloe – with no alcohol; Fabric Protector spray and Sunblock to seal and protect the fabric. She shared that she always has a bottle of diluted white acrylic paint to lighten areas as needed. Her Show and Tell included samples of her amazing Inktense quilts.

Doris's presentation is available on the SAQA FL website: <https://saqafl.com/index.php/resources/>

SHOW-AND-TELL: (see photos below)

Kestrel showed Luke, Beauty Queen (see page 1) , and My Friend and the Setting Sun.

Ellen L showed the wire mesh in her croton leaves and described the process.

Kathleen Campau showed some of the quilts she made last year during the covid quarantine.

Kay Smith showed her latest 'Navajo' quilt and her crown!

Anne Jones shared a quilt showing her relative who could imitate bird calls.

Ellen Schwark showed her paper based Appalachian Series – made from tissue paper, napkins and gel medium layered on top of muslin.

Linda G showed her Fireflies quilt

Gabriele Di Tota shared more of her cyanotype quilts.

**AND THEN ... WE ISSUED A CHALLENGE:
A SERIES OF MINI QUILTS MADE WITH
KESTREL'S SCRAPS - MINIMUM SIZE IS
4X6 MAXIMUM SIZE IS 8.5X11 -
DUE AT THE NEXT MEETING.**

**Next Meeting
is September 11th
at 12:30 PM.**

Kestrel Michaud





Doris Hulse



(Left) Anne Jones shared a quilt showing her relative who could imitate bird calls. (Above) Ellen Lindner



Kat Campau shows her work

Kay Smith



Linda Geiger



Ellen Schwark



Gabriele Di Tota



Pod 5 Play Day August 14th

Pod 5 has really been enjoying having play days on alternate months! The fun will continue on August 14th, from 12:30-2:30 PM.

The format of these events is informal and purely social. We'll have a studio tour from one of our members, focus on a particular hand embroidery stitch, and critique two similar pieces of work. Plus, there will be show and tell, as well as some silly fun!

Any SAQA member is welcome. This is the Zoom link you'll need.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85217109919?pwd=NDJFaXJnZGNZSGlMM2g3NlAyVlYydz09>

Meeting ID: 852 1710 9919

Passcode: 126788

Please don't share outside of SAQA.

Pod 6

Several Pod 6 members (Cheryl Costley, Sally Dutko, Debra Gluszcak, Caren Lyell, Faith Pfalz, Ann Reardon, and Pam Richardson) participated in a month-long exhibit by Art Quilters Unlimited at the Marco Island Center for the Arts gallery. The "Out of the Ordinary" fiber art exhibit was warmly received by the gallery and the Marco Island local community. The exhibit ran June 8 through July 6. We hope to do this again next year!

Cheryl Costley has a piece entitled "Building Unity" in the Quilt National 21 show. The show opened May 29 at the Dairy Barn Arts Center in Athens, Ohio. This show runs through September 5, 2021.

<https://dairybarn.org/its-a-quilt-national-summer/>

Cheryl Costley and Debra Gluszcak also have works in Jane Dunnewold's Creative Strength Training Members Exhibition for 2021.

Pod 7

We had our first in-person Pod 7 meeting on July 19th. Instead of discussing a specific topic, we caught up and showed off pieces we had accomplished during this pandemic period. We will alternate between in-person and virtual meetings for the foreseeable future. Our topic for the August 16 virtual meeting will be creating in 3D. Show examples of what you have done or what you have seen as well as your ideas and your questions. *Cindy Ambler*

Staying Connected...

SAQA website helpful links:

SAQA Calls for Entry: www.saqfla.com/calls

Renew your SAQA Membership: www.saqfla.com/renew

Current SAQA exhibitions: www.saqfla.com/art

Our State Website: saqfla.com

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Social Media

If you are on Facebook, please ask to join our SAQA in Florida FB group. This is a closed group and we'd like to get some lively discussion going there. Great instant way to stay in touch with SAQA members around the state!! Visit SAQA on Instagram and hashtag your post #saqfla or #saqflorida to be shared on the SAQA Florida Instagram page.

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