QUILTERS GUILD

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The Guild meets the second Monday of the month (March - November) at 7:00 p.m., at the College View Seventh Day Adventist Church located at 49th and Prescott Streets, in Lincoln, Nebraska.



LQG's September meeting is Monday, September 11, 2017 and will feature speaker, Martha Walker from Phoenix Arizona. Martha's program, "Birth of a Series" will also feature a trunk show. Guild meetings are held at the College

View Seventh-Day Adventist Church located at 4801 Prescott Avenue, and begin at 7:00 p.m.

With a background in art, and having made quilts since her teens, Martha found her niche when she began drawing her own applique designs in the early 1990's. She started her pattern company, Wagons West Designs, in 2007 to market her patterns for a variety of needlework including quilts, wool applique, needle punch and rug hooking. The name of her pattern company was inspired by two of Martha's great grandmothers who traveled west in covered wagons. A nod to the past is seen in much of Martha's work, who uses vintage quilts and textiles as inspiration to create new designs, not copies, with an heirloom, folk art feel.

Similar to setting the stage for a theater production, Martha enjoys telling a story with her quilt and needlework designs. In her first book, Vintage Christmas, the aura of a glittering, nineteenth century holiday is created with a collection of projects that include weathered pink and brown patchwork, pink candy canes, and mica sprinkled ornaments.

Prior to launching her pattern company, Martha exhibited her original designs locally and nationally and has won numerous awards including ribbons at International Quilt Festival, American Quilter's Society Quilt Show, National Quilter's Association Quilt Show, Pacific International Quilt Festival, Road to California, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival, and The Arizona Quilter's Guild Quilt Show. Her work has been featured in magazines such as Quiltmaker, Primitive Quilts and Projects Magazine, Quiltmania, Simple Vintage, Quilt Country, Magic Patch, and Quilter's Newsletter Magazine.

Martha has three independently Published books, Betsy's Scrapbag, Annie's Scrapbag and Vintage Christmas, and is the author of Be Merry: Quilts and Projects for Your Holiday Home, published by Kansas City Star Quilts. She designs fabrics for Henry Glass Fabrics and Studio e Fabrics.

Martha and her husband, Thom, live in Phoenix, Arizona and have two wonderful grown sons, Andrew and Nicholas, and an equally wonderful daughter-in-law, Katie. If she's not sitting down drawing or sewing, Martha would rather be out hiking in the beautiful mountains and canyons of Arizona.

You can find Martha on social media at the following addresses:

Website: wagonswestdesigns.com

Facebook: Wagons West Designs

There are still openings to take Martha's workshop on Tuesday, September 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. In this all-day workshop, participants will learn about the properties of wool, wool appliqué preparation, marking on wool, appliqué techniques as well as the embroidery stitches needed to complete the workshop project, Martha's penny rug design, "Blessings." Kits are available and cost \$20. The kit includes all the wool necessary to make the project, as well as the coordinating cotton fabric for backing.

Click <u>here</u> for Martha's workshop registration form and supply list.





Guild Meeting: October 9, 2017 Speaker: Jan Patek, Cameron, MO Program: "Quilts as Refrigerator Art"

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