



A New Kind of Quilt Guild

First-class speakers and workshops. Four large meetings annually and a variety of monthly workshops, field trips and events. Members give a few hours of guild service every year. Emphasis on education, mentoring or sponsoring scholarships at workshops. Philanthropy originating from members. Reporting philanthropic work to stimulate the creativity of others. Reasonable workshop fees based on actual costs.



Westside Quilters' first event was a fundraiser on August 28 which began at the UCLA Fowler Museum with a curator tour of batik exhibitions, and moved to the garden of Sally Wright for refreshments and a memorable Del Thomas presentation. Del is the owner of the Thomas Contemporary Quilt Collection and loans her collection to museums and galleries to help promote art quilts. One guest said seeing Del's quilts was like being in "quilt church."

President's Message

Spring is usually praised by poets as the season of rebirth, new life, and regeneration. However, I have always loved the fall perhaps because it seems the real beginning of the year. After all it was in fall that we finished the long lazy summer vacation and were given new shoes and school supplies for back to school. It was time for the return to early to bed and early to rise, the time for new challenges and the opportunity to widen horizons with new interests and new people. Even today I love the coming of fall as the beginning of something new – the promise of a bit of change in the air, the difference in the light as summer wanes, the beginnings of fall color in the liquid ambers... Ok, not quite yet, but pretty soon, now.

So it seems completely appropriate that we begin a new adventure with Westside Quilters at this time of year. We are working very hard to provide great programming and a venue for quilters of all interests that will foster friendship, personal achievement and service to the community in a gracious and welcoming atmosphere. We urge you to share your talent, your skills, your passion and your energy with us.

Let's begin with a fabulous program at our inaugural meeting on October 9th. Come join us to meet the award winning, amazingly talented and enthusiastic quilter and teacher Carol Taylor. I can't wait to greet old friends and meet new ones at Westside Quilters!

Sally Wright

Inaugural President of Westside Quilters

CAROL TAYLOR SPEAKS ON OCTOBER 9

Internationally known quilt artist and teacher Carol Taylor will present a retrospective of her quilting career and how she produced 500 quilts since she began in 1993. You'll see slides from her first traditional quilt through her gradual transition to art quilts, plus a trunk show (not all 500!).

Carol approaches her quilt making with intensity and a seemingly boundless energy. Vibrant colors, striking contrasts, use of value, and heavy machine quilting help identify a Carol Taylor quilt.

Carol lives in New York State and it is a rare opportunity to see her in person in Southern California. The Saturday, October 9, meeting (9:30 am to 12:30 pm) will be held at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Westwood. We'll provide parking and program details in our October newsletter and on our website.

PROGRAMS

October 9, 2010

CAROL TAYLOR at Inaugural General Meeting



November 12, 2010

Workshop: **Roberta Walley** – “Knitting with Fabric”

December 4, 2010

Field Trip: **Bowers Museum** in Santa Ana – “Quilts: Two Centuries of American Tradition and Technique”

February 12, 2011

MARGARETE HEINISCH at General Meeting

March 11, 2011

Workshop: **Sylvia Q. Davis**

April 2011

Workshop TBA

May 21, 2011

FREDDY MORAN at General Meeting

June 2011

Workshop: **Sherry Davis Kleinman** – “Watercolor Media on Quilts”

July 22, 2011

Workshop: **Linda Schmidt**

August 13, 2011

ZENA THORPE at General Meeting

September 2011

Workshop: **Karen Brow** of Java House Quilts

General Meetings: Westside Quilters members attend the general meetings free of charge. Guests are welcome upon payment of a small visitor’s fee. General meetings are held at St. Alban’s Episcopal Church Parish Hall in Westwood. The meetings are on Saturday from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. [See website for more details.]

Workshops: Taught by guest teachers as well as our own talented members. The days of the week and the workshop locations will vary. Workshop fees will be priced individually based on our costs. Registration for workshops will be announced by email to members, with information added to the website shortly thereafter. Members register by email to the Program Chair, Rosemary Dresser. Payment of the workshop fee will be due 14 days after email registration but no later than the date of the workshop. Non-members are welcome to attend workshops if space permits with payment of a slightly higher workshop fee.

The guild website, www.WestsideQuiltersLosAngeles.org is updated often. Please direct any questions about programming to WestsideQuilters@yahoo.com and Rosemary will respond.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Executive Board of Westside Quilters is pleased to introduce you to our new Board of Directors. These kind friends have agreed to serve as advisors in their areas of expertise and in the furtherance of the mission of Westside Quilters – and without remuneration of any kind. You can contact each of the directors through our website, WestsideQuilters@yahoo.com. Please welcome them.

Patrick H. Ela is an Accredited Senior Appraiser of the American Society of Appraisers. Patrick has Studio Art and Art History degrees from Occidental College and an MBA from UCLA. After curatorial experience at three museums, he became Director of the Craft and Folk Art Museum, 1975-1996. Since 1984, Patrick has been an art advisor and consultant and has organized more than 140 exhibitions of contemporary art for museums, art centers, corporations, institutions and commercial galleries. Patrick's community involvement includes service on the boards of the Sam and Alfreda Maloof Foundation, the Millicent Rogers Museum in Taos, New Mexico, the Friends of the Schindler House. He's also served on numerous grant panels for the National Endowment for the Arts, Institute of Museum Services, California Arts Council, the Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department, and more. He's a lecturer and a traveler. He has a special affinity for graphics, local artists, textiles and quilts.

Barbara Harrison has been a resident of Santa Monica since 1978 having transferred from the Washington DC/Maryland area. The relocation was job-related, as she worked with the Veterans Administration and became the Director of the newly established Western Region Office of Inspector General. In 1988 Barbara accepted a position with a local non-profit social service agency as Director of its transportation and mobility program. For 21 years this position provided Barbara with many opportunities to embrace and implement critical services which enhanced the lives and independence of Santa Monica seniors and persons with disabilities. Barbara claims to be limited in her own artistic skills although she excelled in dressmaking and arts and crafts through college. She remains an avid knitter, and enjoys making Prayer Shawls and other items to be donated for use by others most in need. Barbara says, "I believe that no talent is too small to use in benefiting others. The work that is generated should be displayed for all to see and to share in honoring the blessings bestowed upon each person."

Fred M. Zeres grew up in Hollywood (Hollywood High 1977) and found that two subjects interested him in high school – Math and Art. Along with Math came computers and the very first programming language. He painted in oil and did well enough to win awards. At UCLA he explored Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Psychology before earning a degree in Math/Computer Science. He went to work for the Southern California Gas Company and simultaneously earned a master's degree in Computer Science from USC. He even collaborated on a computer programming book published by Random House, and taught at UCLA Extension. In 1991 Fred became Manager of the Information Systems Group at the Gas Company but he decided to leave to create his own computer consulting company. After five years, Fred down-sized the consulting company and began working for one of his clients, Transamerica Investment Management in Information Technology. Fred is still available through his consulting company, Mouse Domain. Fred says that he loves art and music, and is fascinated by the art of quilting, and the extraordinary beauty that is created by its practitioners.

A REPORT ON HOW WESTSIDE QUILTERS BECAME A LEGAL ENTITY

On June 17, 2010, we applied to the California Secretary of State's office to become a registered Public Benefit Corporation. We received notification of our acceptance as of July 26, 2010. We also applied for and received our Federal Employment Identification Number. We submitted various other State forms. Westside Quilters is applying for Federal and State tax exempt status, and we will report the dates of submission and our progress soon. Donations to Westside Quilters are fully tax-deductible for individuals and others (corporations, partnerships, et al). Please see the listing of our post office address and officer information on the final page of this newsletter.

SHOP ON AMAZON AND BENEFIT WESTSIDE QUILTERS

If you go to our website – www.WestsideQuiltersLosAngeles.org -- you'll see a boxed message on the lower left of the home page. This is a direct link to shopping on Amazon. By using this link, anything you purchase earns a 4% dividend" paid directly to Westside Quilters. There is no additional cost to you. We recently purchased two quilt stands on Amazon for a total of \$140.00 and \$5.60 will be coming our way soon. Think of this next time you buy books, shoes, a refrigerator...

THEN THERE IS FACEBOOK

Thanks to Joann Killeen, Westside Quilters now has a presence on Facebook. Content has been added and already Westside Quilters has some followers. Go online and join the parade. Become a fan. There is a banner on the Westside Quilters home page (lower left, next to Amazon) which gives you a direct link. You'll want that because other you have to type in:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Westside-Quilters/101741806552830?ref=sgm#!/pages/Westside-Quilters/101741806552830?ref=sgm>.

MEMBERSHIP

Westside Quilters offers one category of membership. Your membership entitles you to participate in all activities of the guild, attend general meetings at no charge, vote, hold office, workshop fees at the guild rate, and subscription to the WQ newsletter.

Membership is open to all those interested in (a) promoting cooperation and the exchange of ideas among quilters, (b) gaining new knowledge and appreciation for quilting in all its dimensions, and (c) serving the community through philanthropic endeavors. Westside Quilters is a service guild. Each year every member is expected to serve on a committee or spend a few hours of general service. The guild does not plan to organize quilt shows.

The Founding Membership year concludes May 31, 2011. Join now and you'll always be able to stand as a Founding Member. An application immediately follows. (Also on the website.)



Westside Quilters Founding Members Application

June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011

Name:	Birthday (Month/Day):
Address:	
City/State/Zip Code:	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Work Phone:	Occupation:
E-Mail Address:	

Annual Membership Dues: June 1, 2010-May 31, 2011: \$50.00	_____
Note: Membership dues are not tax deductible.	
Tax deductible charitable donation	_____
Total Amount Enclosed.....	_____

One category of membership is offered by Westside Quilters. Members may participate in all activities of the Guild, are eligible to vote, may hold office, may attend General Meetings without fee, pay workshop fees at membership rate, are entitled to the WQ newsletter, and shall pay annual dues as stated in the Standing Rules. Membership Renewal is contingent on satisfying the following requirements at the time of renewal: WQ participation as a Board member or committee member, or general WQ service.

Signature

Date

How did you hear about Westside Quilters? _____

Mini Groups: If you are currently a member of any mini group, please indicate the group name: _____ If you would like to join a mini group, or help form a new one, please indicate your preference for meeting times: Day <input type="checkbox"/> Evening <input type="checkbox"/> Either <input type="checkbox"/>

Please send application form with a check payable to "Westside Quilters" to Westside Quilters, Membership Chair, P. O. Box 641925, Los Angeles, CA 90064. *Westside Quilters is a registered non-profit Public Benefit Corporation with the State of California as of June 17, 2010. Westside Quilters is applying for Federal and State tax exempt status. Your donation to Westside Quilters is a personal tax deduction to you.*

For Membership Committee Only

Date: _____ Amt. Rec'd \$ _____ Check #: _____ Cash: \$ _____

BUDGET – Fiscal Year 2010-2011

Approved 08/05/2010

Income

Dues @ \$50 from 75 members	\$ 3,750
Tax-deductible donations	2,000
Workshop fees	8,000
<i>Workshops should pay for themselves. See expenses below at \$7,000.</i>	
Guest fees at meetings @ \$10	500
*Fundraiser (see expenses below)	1,250

Total Income

\$15,500

Set-Up Expenses

California state fees	\$ 55
Federal 501C3 fee	850
Quilt frames – 2 @ \$75++	200
Wireless mike & amplifiers	200
PowerPoint set-up	150

- 1,455

Annual Non-meeting Expenses

Administration	\$ 100
SCCQG:	
Aug. 2010 – 50-member level	220
Jan. 2011 – 75-member level	275
P.O. box rental	80
Website maintenance fee	200
Tax returns & other fees	250
Charitable contribution	500
Roster printing	0
Badges and pins	0

- 1,625

Quarterly Meetings

* Part of fundraiser August 2010	\$ 500
3 @ \$1,000 (\$50 for space, \$950 speakers)	3,000

- 3,500

Workshop Expenses

- 7,000

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Projected 1st Year Profit

\$ 1,920

PHILANTHROPY AND EDUCATION

Philanthropy and education are key components of Westside Quilters. We are organized “to promote education and charitable endeavors among quilters.” But we want to do this upside down. Our guild expects projects to be generated by our members or minigroups. We want to acknowledge that members work with organizations other than the Westside Quilters and give them credit for it. We intend to report on this philanthropic work of our members to stimulate the philanthropic creativity of others, and to bring special projects to the attention of our members.

To help educate and mentor others, we will offer a workshop scholarship for every workshop. We hope that Girl Scouts, senior groups, PTA mothers, graduates of kids’ camps at our local quilt shops, the YMCA and YWCA, and many other organizations, will help us select candidates. On an individual basis, we will seek out those new to sewing and quilting and guide them to a level where they in turn can mentor others. At our quarterly general meetings, we will feature the philanthropic work of our members and the beginning work of new quilters.



You might want to check out your local Jo-Ann's and their “Craft for a Cause 2010 Contest” as part of Operation Gratitude which aims to send a hand-made item to each of our troops serving in harm's way. This program runs through October 30, 2010 and benefits your favorite charities, and incidentally, five contestants can win a \$1,500 Jo-Ann's gift card. Operation Gratitude is looking for scarves, cool-ties, neck gaiters, ornaments, cards. Go to www.joann.com/craftforacause for full details, including project instructions.

SAQA – Studio Art Quilt Associates – Annual On-Line Auction

The 2010 SAQA Benefit Auction starts on September 20. You can see all 280 entries at www.saq.com. Look for the entries submitted by our Westside Quilters members – Sherry Kleinman, Sandra Lauterbach, and Sally Wright. Sales benefit SAQA's exhibition expenses. You'll recall that SAQA had a major exhibition presence at the Long Beach show. SAQA needs funds to keep their exhibitions traveling in this country and abroad. The entries are all about 12 inches square. Don't you have wall space for just one?

Executive Board Meeting of Westside Quilters

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be Saturday, September 25. We don't expect to have monthly meetings but at the beginning we'll meet fairly frequently. The meeting is open to all members with advance notice to our president, Sally Wright. For exact meeting details, please contact Sally at WestsideQuilters@yahoo.com.

OUR QUILT GUILD NEIGHBORS

Just as we welcome quilters from other guilds to attend our meetings as guests, you may be interested in attending meetings of our neighbor guilds. Listed here are the meetings of note through December. (December meetings are usually parties or holiday events and are not shown here.) Space may be limited for workshops at other guilds, and you may have to rely on stand-by notice. Contact information is given for each of four guilds here along with the guild websites.

Glendale Quilt Guild	www.GlendaleQuiltGuild.org Contact: Info@GlendaleQuiltGuild.org
San Fernando Valley Quilt Association	www.SFVQA.org For contact, go to website, then Committees and link to Program
Santa Monica Quilt Guild	www.SantaMonicaQuiltGuild.org Contact: Info@SantaMonicaQuiltGuild.org
South Bay Quilters Guild	www.SouthBayQuiltersGuild.org For contact, go to website, Contact Us and link to Program VP

DATE	SPEAKER/TEACHER	GUILD
September 12	Beth Ferrier Workshop <i>Sneaky Piecing Tricks</i>	San Fernando
September 13	Beth Ferrier <i>Pieces of a Quilter's Life</i>	San Fernando
September 21	Marcia Stein <i>Destinations: Travel-Inspired Quilts</i>	South Bay
September 22	Marcia Stein Workshop <i>Picture This</i>	South Bay
October 6	Alicia Campbell "The Batty Lady"	Santa Monica
October 19	Robin C. Gallagher <i>Making a Difference through Quilting</i>	South Bay
October 20	Robert C. Gallagher Workshop <i>Small Projects: Sewing Machine Organizer & Book Cover</i>	South Bay
November 3	Tracy Brookshier <i>A Love Affair with Japan</i>	Santa Monica
November 4 or 6	Tracy Brookshier Workshop <i>Bento Boxes</i>	Santa Monica
November 7	Lisa Coulombe Workshop <i>Curvy Totebag</i>	San Fernando
November 8	Lisa Coulombe <i>Everyday Wearable Art & Beyond</i>	San Fernando
November 10	Shelley Swanland <i>Cathedral Windows</i>	Glendale
November 13	Shelley Swanland Workshop <i>Machine-Stitched Cathedral Windows</i>	Glendale
November 16	Del Thomas <i>Thomas Contemporary Quilt Collection</i>	South Bay
November 17	Del Thomas Workshop <i>Fiber Postcards</i>	South Bay

MINUTES OF THE
WESTSIDE QUILTERS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2010

A meeting of the Executive Board of Westside Quilters ("WQ") was held on August 5, 2010, at the home of Sally Wright.

The following Directors were in attendance: Sally Wright, Tina Nord, Veronica Grey, Rosemary Dresser, Joann Killen, Madeline Ehrlich and Sandra Lauterbach.

Sally Wright called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and Sandra Lauterbach recorded the minutes. A quorum of Executive Board members was present.

Treasurer's Report: Tina Nord reported that:

1. Articles of Incorporation were approved as July 24, 2010 and are effective as of June 17, 2010.
2. WQ has a federal ID number;
3. All donations to WQ are fully tax deductible for first 27 months from incorporation of its existence even without tax exempt status approved;
4. Bank resolution is prepared;
5. Bylaws provide that unbudgeted amounts over \$300 must be approved by the board.
6. WQ will open a bank account at Bank of America. Use of debit card once per month will cause monthly fee to be waived.
7. Tina will prepare an expense reimbursement form;
8. Final bylaws and form 1023 are in process. Package to IRS should include signed rental agreement, programming for next 12 months (tentative and definitive), and name probable charitable recipients of WQ;
9. Proposed Budget attached hereto as Exhibit A was reviewed. WQ has a high membership fee and lower workshop fees. Intent is to have workshops pay for themselves. Approximately 8 workshops or events per year. Dues will pay for speakers and space rental.
10. Immediate payments that need to be made include: a) So. California Council of Quilt Guilds—benefit include insurance for WQ--\$30/yr plus \$2.75/member. Tina will estimate 50 members; b) reimburse Betsy Barker \$200 for domain name.

A motion to approve the bank resolution (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B) was approved unanimously. Tina proposed the motion to approve; Madeline seconded it.

Board of Directors and Appointed Directors: Sally stated that the federal 1023 application assumes a Board of Directors whose members are not related to the guild members. Sally recommended three directors: be Barbara Harrison (educational background), Fred Zerez (computer consultant), and Patrick Ela (fine arts appraiser and consultant).

Sally read the description of the responsibilities of the appointed positions of philanthropy and educational directors. She requested suggestions for the position of historian/photographer.

Membership: Veronica presented the membership form. It was reviewed and revised. The changes included: the term "active membership" will be changed to simply "Membership". Annual dues of \$50 were approved at the May 21, 2010 organizational meeting. The meaning of "general WQ service" was discussed. Tina will prepare language on this point for the Standing Rules which are attached to the bylaws and can be changed by the Executive Board.

Sally will email everyone on our contact list the membership form. Veronica proposed laminated name tags which might include special ribbons for officers and new members.

Programs: Rosemary discussed the tentative Program Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit C. The date for Fowler Museum has been changed to August 28, 2010. She is attempting to arrange a one hour docent tour from

11-12. UCLA is charging \$50 for docent, no admission fee. Sally said we will provide drinks and dessert. It will be a brown bag lunch. The Board agreed that if a docent tour is not possible the event will be cancelled.

The Board decided to cancel the proposed September workshop.

The cost for Carol Taylor's lecture at the October 9th meeting is \$550 plus approximately \$97 for the hotel; WQ may share airfare costs with the San Fernando Valley Quilt Association. Carol lecture is about "So many quilts so little time" lecture and will include a trunk show.

Tina moved that when guild members give a workshop they should be paid \$100. Rosemary seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

On February 12, 2011, Zena Thorpe will talk about women and their stories and present a trunk show. Reylene Salazar of Quilters Haven will not charge for her August presentation because she will bring retail items to sell.

The tentative schedule for the quarterly meetings are:

9:30	Registration, Workshop Sign-Ups and Demos ("Quilters Ed")
10:00	Guild Business
10:30	Quilt Exhibits [formerly Show & Tell] Philanthropic Quilt Exhibits Individual Quilt Exhibits
11:00	Quilter Showcase (member) or Vendor Showcase
11:15	Speaker & Q & A
12:15	Adjournment

Sally discussed the purchase of 2 quilt or photography stands per the budget.

Fundraising: Discussion on charging \$20 for the Fowler docent tour. If there is no docent, the event will be cancelled. Tina suggested asking if we can get a percentage discount at the gift shop.

Sally asked for fundraising ideas. The budget includes \$1250 income from a fundraiser. Ideas discussed included an opportunity quilt, a reception at an art gallery selling quilts donated by WQ members with an admission charge; selling tshirts, etc., with the WQ logo.

Website: Sally reported that WQ has a rudimentary website. Tina volunteered to write newsletters until a communications chair is appointed. Newsletter will be on the website and will be sent to paid members by the first of the month, but at least 2 weeks before a quarterly meeting.

Promotion: Joann presented the final logo version. She will have 4 format files ready on Friday August 6. Ideas on ways to promote WQ included distributing WQ information to F&S, Tanner's, Candy's, Lincoln Fabrics, etc., via pamphlets and business cards. Joann will check out pricing for WQ business cards and larger size cards and will set up Facebook and Twitter accounts for WQ as well as on community calendars, etc.

Board Meeting: The next executive board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 25, 2010 at 1pm at the home of Sally Wright.

The Executive Board Meeting was adjourned at 10pm.

Submitted by:

Sandra E. Lauterbach
Secretary

Notes: The Executive Board approved the minutes via email. Exhibit A is the budget as printed earlier in this newsletter. Exhibit B, not printed here, is the Bank Resolution authorizing three signatures per the minutes.



WESTSIDE QUILTERS

Our Mission A new kind of guild organized for educational and charitable purposes; to promote cooperation and the exchange of ideas among quilters; to instruct members in methods and techniques of traditional and contemporary creative quilting; to serve minigroups and their philanthropic endeavors within the community; to inspire personal achievement.

Officers

President	Sally Wright
Vice President	Madeline Ehrlich
Secretary	Sandra Lauterbach
Treasurer	Tina Nord
Communications	
Newsletter <i>Pro Tem</i>	Tina Nord
Website <i>Pro Tem</i>	Sally Wright
Membership	Veronica Gray
Philanthropy/Education Program	Rosemary Dresser

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