

LAMQG General Meeting 4/12/21

Meeting opened with the usual welcome to new members, visitors, and guests. Liza Beres has joined the guild; she lives in Santa Clarita. So glad to meet you, Liza!

Greg spoke a bit about the new Sip and Sew schedule (1st and 3rd of the month). See your newsletter for dates for SnS and Sew from Home (every other Saturday).

Miriam's House update (Ann Howley): LAMQG supports this sober home for newly recovering women with children. We give the residents quilts at Christmas: children's size and twin-size. Twins for the moms are the ones most needed. Ann has batting and stash if people need fabric; Ann Richardson also has batting. Make the top or a sandwich, and Ann H will get them finished! You can donate anytime during the year.

Berene Campbell, Happy Sew Lucky, Foundation Paper Piecing (Vancouver, BC)

Designed In Isolation Together/Connected Project Block.

Mini Mod Swap uses design principles from MQG website.

- Opt in
- Block size: 2"x2" (trimmed)
- Make 30 blocks; 6 different blocks/person in group
- Keep six; send rest to the other 4 people in your group (6 each); leave papers on if FPP
- Roughly 1/3 yard background fabric; other pieces can be scraps
- Works best with solids

(All the details will come under separate cover)

Donation to Handmade Collective will get you patterns, access to tutorials

Look for a poll re preferences and to sign up in your e-mail

Committee is Edie Gralla, Lavielle Campbell, Lauren Philip, Betty Seinfeld; July deadline?

Alicia Campbell (no relation!), The Batty Lady

Showroom and Warehouse (M-F 9-3):

910 N Batavia

City of Orange 92867

Gave us a handout (we can get one to you if you missed the meeting).

Alicia prefers cotton—best crinkle and coolest temp (for those of us who run hot); various lofts; thick cottons are nice and heavy); colors are natural and white (best for making light colors pop)
Wool: warm in winter, cool in summer; natural flame retardant; natural color only; NO FOLD MEMORY, so fewer fold lines; dryer will not felt the wool; smells like sheet when wet, but dry there's no smell.

Polyester: processes have greatly improved in last 30 years; now it can be needle-punch; resists mold and mildew, washes and dries well; but not flame retardant; various lofts; has a scrim; not great for hand-quilting.

Bamboo creates fuzzies while quilting, like cotton, but once finished, it's fine; really nice drape. Blends (cotton/poly; cotton/wool, silk/cotton/bamboo/tinzel), fusible batting, bamboo

Green Dream (made with recycled bottles) is most like polyester; has great drape; green cast, so don't put it under anything white/light

Washing quilts: use unscented detergents--easier on fibers; Alicia sells Retro Clean for rusted and yellowed quilts and fabrics, as well as Retro Wash; low machine-wash temps; air dry + fluff with no heat in dryer. Do not put silk batting in the dryer (it shrinks); do not use for kid's quilts; put care instructions on it. Wool and silk air-dry very quickly.

Upcoming Programs (see newsletter for programs and dates)

Kathy Doughty supply lists have gone out

Nominations Committee

Alicia, Leasa and Mary Ella presented the candidates

Look for the ballot in your e-mail; due in early May; results announced at May meeting

President: Greg Stewart

Vice- President: Yvonne Miller

Secretary: Beth Wightman

Treasurer: Maureen Deardon

Programs Committee: Lisa Collins, Leasa Eisele, Natalie Myers, Mary Ella Osburn

Membership Committee: Dena Siegel, Heather Goehring

Instagram Challenge Winner and Show&Tell

More fabulous quilts from our members! And Betty Seinfeld won the Stripes challenge: congrats!