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NEXT MEETINGS:
Feb 4th, 7:00 pm ZOOM
Shari Cifaldi-Morrill
"Aurifilosophy"

NEXT WORKSHOPS
cancelled until further notice

NEXT BOARD MEETING:
Virtual meeting via ZOOM
Feb 15th, 7:15 pm

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President's Letter

Ladies and Gents:

It's only January and I'm already exhausted – good grief. I'll be grateful to just kick back and absorb **Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill** speaking on Aurifilosophy at our next Zoom IQI meeting Thursday, February 4. Aurifilosophy is brought to us by the thread makers of Aurifil. Sheri will unlock the mystery of thread, and help users achieve brilliant results! A certified Aurifilosopher, she will present a fun, informative presentation and trunk show of award-winning quilts that will increase your knowledge of thread, tools, and tips. Exclusive Aurifil resources and swag for attendees included! Be sure to attend the meeting to be counted for swag.

I'm proud to say that I completed my Block-of-the-Month block – and listened to Mary and Cathy's advice about picking my yearlong colorway. I was all fired up about doing a second one, then thought better of that. February block will be UNLOCKED on Feb.1.

Sue Sweeney has jumped in to take care of Raffle Quilt Tickets as well as travel and sales. Recognizing that nothing is going anywhere anytime soon, thank you very much! That said, the Nominating Committee is beginning the process of looking for new officers. If there is an office or committee that you're interested in, please contact **Bev Bolsen** and/or **Meg Pyterek** (consult your directory for contact info). Bev and Meg are ON IT so you may get a call from them! Sharing an office with a friend is a great idea, so if you're thinking about a position but hesitate to take the whole responsibility, pick a partner! Any office can be shared. Many of our officers are willing to continue in their positions, but we need a NEW President, VP Contracts, Secretary, Treasurer, and Social Media.

Third Thursday Zoom Chat and Sew continues, each month we've had a few people hop on – as long as we have participants, we'll continue. Next date is February 18, 10 am - 9 pm.

Last I looked, there's still room in NSQG's virtual class with **Karen Combs** -- you might remember, she is the lady with the optical illusion quilts. This could be an opportunity to FINISH quilts we started in her class through IQI! (Certainly, I'm thinking about that -- I've still got those gorgeous cubes on my design wall.) The link is: <https://nsqg.club/programs/february-2021-karen-combs/>

Please check out our Member Spotlight on **Barbara Peterson**! Please contact me directly if you'd like to share your story – I'm randomly asking people to write their histories, but I'll happily take volunteers.

Hope to see you Thursday! **Zoom link is coming directly from Sheri at Aurifil**, and will be sent shortly. It will also be re-sent a day before the meeting.

Melanie Anderson

2021 PROGRAM UPDATES (via Zoom)

FEBRUARY 4th, 2021

Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill “Aurifilosophy”

From the thread makers of Aurifil... a program designed to unlock the mystery of thread, educate the masses, and help all users achieve brilliant results! Sheri, a certified Aurifilospher, will present a fun and informative presentation and trunk show of her award-winning quilts that will increase your knowledge of thread, tools, uses, and tips. Exclusive Aurifil resources and swag for attendees included!

Learn more about Sheri at www.wholecirclestudio.com



MARCH 4th, 2021

Jaimie Davis “History & Mystery of Baltimore Album Quilts”

The history of Baltimore Album quilts is a fascinating journey into an America headed for the Civil War. Through stories, Jaimie will explore how the demise of Baltimore Album quilts leads us into the hearts and minds of the women who made them. It’s a funny, provocative and insightful look into some of America’s most beautiful treasures.

Learn more about Jaimie at www.loopytulips.com



From Copacabana Australia

APRIL 8th, 2021

Brenda Gael Smith “Quilts & Composition + Studio Tour”

Unlocking the design code for all kinds of quilts and learning to make things better!

Brenda examines the elements and principles of design in action and highlights recurring types of quilt composition. Understanding composition provides a vocabulary for describing and evaluating quilt design and provides a foundation for developing your creative practice, whatever style of quilts you make.

Learn more about Brenda at www.serendipitypatchwork.com



The 2020-2021 IQI Raffle Quilt

Our Raffle Quilt has been very lonely, just sitting in a bag, longing for the return of quilt guild meetings in person. We still don't know if we will be traveling with the quilt before Fine Art of Fiber. It is the intention of all that the raffle of Ruby Jubilee will be held at FAOF – whether in person or virtual.

Which brings us to a discussion of how the raffle quilt works. The raffle is on a calendar-year basis, whereas our membership is a fiscal-year basis. Confusing?? You bet. Currently, I have a spreadsheet compiled by Sue DiVarco showing members who have turned in their raffle tickets for 2020, and those who have also submitted 2021 tickets, using the

membership form. I have their names too. The monies gathered are what funds our guild. Lectures/workshops are not free. Zoom lectures even cost money, although not as much.

This is a reminder that we all need to either sell or buy \$25.00 worth of tickets each year for the raffle quilt. This year it happens to be the same quilt! So..yes, we are responsible for \$50.00 for the 2020-2021 Quilt.

You can purchase 2021 tickets on our website. Or send a check to our IQI mailbox or to me personally. I will be contacting you (email or phone) so that you know you are in the drawing.

Sue Sweeney



ZOOM TIPS:

- Please mute yourself unless you are speaking, as background household noise or conversation can be distracting for the group.
- During the lecture, "mute" both your screen and microphone (lower left corner) to maximize bandwidth.
- If you have show-and-tell, having a picture, open on your device, makes it easier to "share."

Call a sewing friend, jump on this Zoom meeting, January 21st, starting at 10 am and running, freeform, all day till 9 pm, (third Thursday of the month).

president@illinoisquilters.com is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: IQI OPEN ZOOM SEW - Third Thursdays of the Month

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91644655457?pwd=MlpFR0wvaTIJeW9zaUpzVmtSTmtUQT09>

Meeting ID: 916 4465 5457

Passcode: 6mLsUU

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Passcode: 414180



MEMBER PROFILE

Meet Barbara Peterson!

I am a relatively new quilter, starting about 12 years ago when a friend of mine volunteered to teach me the basics. She agreed to send my first quilt top to her longarm for quilting. In my naïveté, I bundled up the top with the total yardage for the backing and handed it all over to her to meet a delivery pick up deadline. She told me later that day that she and another friend had to quickly cut and piece the backing before shipping the bundle off. I guess we learn from our mistakes!

I have been a knitter most of my life, but I never touched a sewing machine until I started to quilt. However, I think quilting was in my blood as my grandmother was a quilter. Unfortunately, I had little contact with her and knew little about her quilting journey until after she died. I have now inherited some of her completed quilts, quilt tops and other pieces in various states of completeness, and fabric.

So as I started my journey, I first bought an inexpensive machine at JoAnn's and spent more time consulting the manual than sewing. I had no idea how to tackle the basics such as threading a needle, change needles, or change feet. My first completed quilt tops required much "surgery" and manipulation to make the necessary adjustments in order for the blocks to have uniform sizes and fit with each other.

Since then, I have upgraded machines, I have taken many classes and I now belong to three guilds: Village Quilter's of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff, IQI and NSNG. I attended the FAOF show every year at the Botanic Gardens which culminated in my interest in joining IQI. Now, I also have enough fabric, patterns, quilting books, and quilting tools to keep me busy for the next 100 years!

I would describe myself as a very eclectic quilter. I enjoy paper piecing and I have done several Judy Niemeyer quilts. I am drawn towards colorful quilts,

but feel that I am not at all good with making color choices. Currently, I am leaning towards modern quilting and improvisational quilting. I also am trying to work up my courage to free motion my own quilts.

I retired as a school social worker 10 years ago, although I have worked part time every year since, except this year. So I think now that I am finally officially retired. I have a 38 year old son in California who is still trying to carve a life in the entertainment field. I have one dog and four cats who are very demanding of my attention.

I have enjoyed meeting, and been so inspired by all the many talented quilters and artists in the guilds. I look forward to trying to improve my skills. And maybe one day, I will get a perfect quarter-inch seam!





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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2020-2021

Membership Directory Deadline: September 12, 2020
-- Directory listing is essential for Fine Art of Fiber participation --

Please PRINT clearly.

Today's date _____

Name (as you want it on name badge & in directory) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Preferred phone: (_____) _____ secondary phone: (_____) _____

E-mail address _____

The Oak Leaf and IQI information are sent via email. ___ Check here if you do not want your email address listed in the directory.

**NOTE: for Oak Leaf via regular mail add \$10.00 below.*

Please indicate whether you are: NEW to IQI ___ renewing ___ returning after absence ___

** How did you learn of IQI (friend, online search, etc.)? _____

Our annual raffle quilt and the Fine Art of Fiber Show provide essential income to IQI. In addition to membership fees, each member of IQI is expected to buy or sell \$25 worth of raffle tickets each year.

FEES: _____ \$60.00 (from 7/1/20) or \$55 (through 6/30/20)
_____ \$10.00 if Oak Leaf should be printed & mailed
_____ (optional donation) Library Fund
_____ (optional donation) Guild Community Service supplies
_____ additional \$25 (in advance) for a pack of 2020 Raffle Quilt tickets for Ruby Jubilee
Total \$ _____ paid by cash _____ / or check # _____

IQI is a volunteer organization and operates effectively only with everyone's help. Four hours of service per year is a suggested share. Please choose activity area/s where you might like to help:

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| _____ board (I would be willing to serve) | _____ potluck help, Dec. &/or June mtg. |
| _____ Fine Art of Fiber show/boutique | _____ challenge project for members |
| _____ help at library table at meetings | _____ quilt-in (members' weekend retreat) |
| _____ help at membership table at meetings | _____ raffle quilt (help design/make for 2021) |
| _____ host at a workshop | _____ raffle quilt (help show at other guilds) |
| _____ nominating committee for next board | _____ service projects - in a group or at home |
| _____ webpage design and maintenance team | _____ |

Future Programs and Workshops

Please offer a few suggestions of speakers or workshops which you would like to enjoy with IQI.

Demonstrations / Miniworkshops

From time to time we have a program sharing the skills and wisdom of our members. If you would like to be an instructor at such a meeting, please describe what you would like to share:

Professional Quilting Services, Related Activities and Business Owners

As a member of IQI, if you have a business that sells quilts or quilt-related products, you may be listed under Area Shops in the guild membership directory. If you provide other quilt-related services, you may be listed in the Professional Services section* of the directory. Please provide your information and descriptive text and check your specialties below.

business name (if not just your name) _____ hours _____

address _____ city _____ state _____ ZIP _____

telephone (____) _____ URL or email _____

text for directory (about goods & services offered)

____ appliqué

____ craft shows

____ quilting by machine

____ appraisals

____ demonstrations

____ quilt photography

____ baby quilts

____ lectures

____ quilt repair

____ color consulting

____ piecing

____ workshops

____ commissions

____ quilting by hand

____ other: _____

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2020-21 IQI Workshop and Event Registration Form

Name: _____ Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Non-member address: _____

Date	Teacher/Event Title	Member	Non-Member
Saturday 10/3/2020	Pat Burke: Make TWO Gifts - Infinity Scarf AND Cuddle Pillowcase (virtual workshop, half-day)	\$25	\$35
Saturday 1/9/2021	Maggie Weiss: Irresistible Shibori (If we do OPTION 1: live workshop)	\$60	\$70
Saturday 1/9/2021	Maggie Weiss: Irresistible Shibori (If we do OPTION 2: virtual workshop) kit fee TBD	\$40	\$50
*Thursday 3/4/2021	Schoolhouse: Circle your group choice (Choices TBD - watch the website)	\$0	\$10
Saturday 3/6/2021	Ice Cream Quilting Madness: all day event (Choices TBD - watch the website)	\$10	\$10
Fri. - Sat 4/9 - 10/21	Cheryl Schenck: unSpooledWI.com: 2-day tuffet workshop (live workshop) Kit fee: \$128 + tax	\$95	\$105
Saturday 5/8/2021	Sue Pawlowski: Stuffed Olives OR Oliver (live workshop, pattern fee: \$9)	\$50	\$60
Saturday 6/5/2021	Suzi Parron: Painted Barn Quilts (live workshop, kit fee: \$45)	\$50	\$60

CANCELLED

*Event occurs at regular monthly meeting. Supply lists are available at monthly meetings, and at www.illinoisquilters.com/events/

Please make checks payable to Illinois Quilters Inc.

Bring this form to an IQI meeting or mail it with a check to the Workshop Coordinator

Refunds available up to 30 days in advance, minus a \$5 handling fee. Requests for refunds must be in writing and submitted in writing to the workshop coordinator.

2021 Workshop Coordinator: Cynthia Karabush, 632 Sheridan Road 3E, Highwood, IL 60040

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