

A Preview

Beautiful Bags

September's guild meeting will feature Christy Watt, who will be teaching us how to make cute fabric tote bags. Bring your sewing machines, and you will go home with a finished product. Here is a list of steps to complete before guild night:

* **Choose your fabrics and embellishments, then cut the pieces:**

| <u>Fabric:/Yardage</u> | <u>Cut List:</u> | <u>Piece:</u> |
|---|---------------------------|---------------|
| Focus fabric ~ 1/2 yard | 2 7-1/2" x 14" rectangles | bag tops |
| | 2 5" x 22" strips | handles |
| Coordinating Fabric ~ 1/2 yard | 1 14" x 9" (optional) | pocket |
| | 1 10-1/2" x 14" | bag bottom |
| | 1 14" x 24-1/2" | lining |
| Fusible Interfacing ~ 1-2/3 yd (22" wide) | 2 24-1/2" x 14" | bag & lining |
| | OR 3/4 yd (45" wide) | 2 5" x 22" |

(Recommended brands ~ Fuse-A-Shade or Decorbond)

* **Sew outer bag pieces and add fringe/beading/ribbon/ric-rac, etc.**

Stitch one 7-1/2" x 14" bag top focus fabric piece to each side of the coordinating bag bottom fabric piece. If you have embellishments which can be sewn in such as beading or fringe, apply before stitching the seams together. If using ribbon or ric-rac, top stitch after sewing the seams together. Completed outer bag unit should measure 14" x 24-1/2".

* **Apply interfacing**

Following manufacturer's directions, iron fusible interfacing to wrong sides of stitched outer bag, lining, and the two handle pieces.

* **Pressing**

Fold short ends of outer bag and lining pieces down 1/2" to wrong side and press. Press handle strips in half lengthwise. Open up flat again and press the outer edges to the center fold line. Fold on center again so you have four thicknesses of fabric, press well.

Prepare these steps, and come ready to sew! We have some power strips, but you are welcome to bring any electric cords, an iron/ironing board, etc. Come early to set up. You may want to share your sewing machine with a friend - while one is pinning, the other can be sewing. We look forward to seeing you there!

~~~ PLANNING MEETING ~~~

For board members and anyone who is interested in serving on the board or giving input for next year's meetings, please come to guild meeting an hour early (about 6:00 p.m.). Bring your ideas for classes and/or techniques you'd like to learn or teach. Let's put our heads together!

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- * *Friendship Groups:* Cat Beckstead
- * *Design Challenge:* Shantelle Cox



Queen Bee - Ashley Christensen



By Kris Nichols

If I had to describe her, I would list such attributes as empathetic, gentle, honest, hard-working and kind. She was born and raised in Salt Lake City. She attended Ricks College and Utah State studying Family and Human Development.

Logan is where she met her husband, Greg, and they married in 1997. They have three children: Zach, Maddie and Brooklyn. She is really happy being a mom.

Ashley loves quilting and only really

began quilting about a year ago, but has a great knack for color combinations and does a beautiful job with every endeavor.

Reading and food are two other favorites in Ashley's life (which is why I like her so much). She'd recommend *The Hiding Place*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *The Shylo Legacy* series and any kind of pastry. She enjoys swimming, bike riding and going for drives in the mountains. She has a beautiful yard, which is evidence of

another

love of Ashley's - gardening.

If you haven't taken a moment to get to know Ashley, I highly recommend it. She's a quiet, self-effacing person with a ready laugh who uplifts those around her.

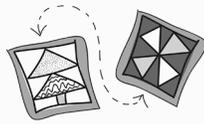
STATE QUILT GUILD

You still have time to sign up for classes at the annual Utah Quilt Guild Festival. Check out the website for more info::

www.utahquiltguild.org. Our guild has been invited to donate a centerpiece to help raise funds for the state guild.

It will be a little Laundry Basket with "shirts", starch, a mini-iron, etc. Please bring a 9 x 18" piece of fabric to fold into a little shirt for the basket. Use whites/creams/ neutrals (background fabrics). THANKS!

Friendship Blocks



FRIENDSHIP BLOCK EXCHANGES:

Group 1 - Return blocks for Shonna Luke

Group 2 - Return blocks for Barbara Murdock

Next up: Wendy Jones, Tricia Livingstone

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Round Robin Groups

ROUND ROBIN EXCHANGES:

"Are we there, yet???"

Group 3 - Deadline - September guild meeting!

~~~ Old quilters never die, they just go to pieces. ~~~



## Charity Quilt Corner

### CHARITY QUILTS

Happy birthday this month to birthday girls, Ashley, Shantelle, Kaydawn, & Laurisa. We hope you have a happy one, and hope you have fun making a

charity quilt for the Children's Justice Center. Remember that for each quilt you turn in, your name is entered into the drawing for a stack of fat quarters. Let us know how we can help!

Your Charity Quilt Committee,  
Tricia Mathis, Dana Brosnahan,  
Wendy Jones, Crusann Epps

# The Calico Road

by Barbara Murdock



Just to let everyone know that the *Heber Cotton Company* is closing its doors in October. Right now, everything in the store is 20% off. We hate to see the store close again, but be sure to stock up on fabric while you can. Rumors also have it that Wal-Mart will be soon be discontinuing all fabric departments from their stores. Hmmm. Very interesting.

At the Utah County guild meeting last month, we had Blanche Young come and show us a lot of the quilts she made. I will bet she has made many thousands. She is a fun, young 87-year-old teacher that has been teaching and speaking around the world to quilters. She was great.

It was also announced that Merlene Crappo's quilt was juried into the International Quilt Festival. She was excited. Her quilt won a blue ribbon at the Springville show two years ago. If some of you remember it, it was called "In the Garden", another incredible quilt. Utah has some talented quilt makers.

Also, several people, and I can't remember who they were, asked me about the *Brother* sewing machine that I purchased at Costco. Just to let you know that they are now in the store and on sale for \$179.00. Hopefully, there will be a special before Christmas. I am really impressed with mine. It comes with a walking foot, a quilting foot and several other attachments. Just wanted to get the word out.

The "Gone to Pieces" quilt guild will hold their annual Quilt Show in the Barn - 2520 Walker Lane in Salt Lake on Saturday Oct. 7th. It is always a great show!

A final note - maybe you heard that I will be taking Shantelle's place on the Utah Quilt Guild board as Area rep for Wasatch/Summit/Morgan counties next year. I think that will be so fun. Happy Quilting, everyone!

~ Barb

# Guild Membership

| <u>Queen Bee</u> | <u>Member</u>      | <u>Phone</u> |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Jun-05           | Heather Ackerson   | 654-3140     |
|                  | Paulette Adams     | 654-5918     |
| Feb -06          | Cat Beckstead      | 657-2336     |
|                  | Linda Beecher      | 654-1818     |
| Jan-04           | Michelle Blair     | 801-794-1811 |
|                  | Michelle Bradshaw  | 654-4218     |
|                  | Holly Broadhead    | 654-2191     |
| May-06           | Dana Brosnahan     | 654-5897     |
| Aug-06           | Ashley Christensen | 657-0238     |
| May-05           | Shantelle Cox      | 657-0581     |
| Jul-05           | Rachel Crane       | 654-7038     |
| Aug-04           | Claudia Daniels    | 654-3959     |
| Jul-04           | Joan DeFriez       | 654-2124     |
|                  | Crusan Epps        | 654-5077     |
|                  | Kaydawn Epps       | 654-0669     |
| Nov-05           | Jill Gehring       | 657-0505     |
|                  | Trudi Harter       | 657-9455     |
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|                  | Wendy Jones        | 657-0989     |
|                  | Tricia Livingstone | 657-0955     |
|                  | Shonna Luke        | 654-0801     |
| Mar-04           | Tricia Mathis      | 654-9807     |
| Jun-04           | Julie McNaughtan   | 654-5358     |
|                  | Barbara Murdock    | 654-0656     |
| Nov-04           | Michele Murdock    | 654-4917     |
| Jul-06           | Kristine Nichols   | 654-9004     |
| Mar-06           | Barbara Odland     | 435-645-9145 |
|                  | Cindy Pennington   | 654-5212     |
| Dec-04           | Jeannine Pratt     | 654-4808     |
| Oct-05           | Debbie Proctor     | 654-2079     |
|                  | Laurisa Pullan     | 654-5413     |
| Feb-04           | Celeni Richins     | 654-4767     |
|                  | Margaret Schloss   | 654-2876     |
| Feb-05           | Deonn Stott        | 654-4203     |
|                  | Joylyn Taylor      | 654-3972     |
| Apr-04           | Christy Watt       | 654-2888     |
| Mar-05           | Brenda Wilcox      | 657-0798     |

## In Review

### Back-Basting Appliqué



Cat Beckstead led us through a fun new method of appliqué at last month's guild meeting.. Back-basting appliqué is a unique method especially effective for small motifs. Appliqué pieces are basted to the background using a very heavy thread and small basting stitches. Once the stitches are removed, the fabric has a memory, and where the shapes have been basted, it creates an easy line to fold the fabric under and hand-stitch. Thanks for the demo, Cat!

- i Trace pattern on back side of background material.
- i Beginning with the first layer, pin fabric shape right side up on front of background material, making sure fabric piece extends beyond the pattern markings.
- i Baste along pattern lines, using a very heavy thread—make your knot on the front side.
- i Trim fabric to a scant 1/4" outside basting lines.
- i Remove a few stitches at a time, fold appliqué piece



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## Guild Meeting Information



### Monthly Meetings

Join us for our monthly guild meetings held on the THIRD TUESDAY of each month at 7:00 pm.

Meetings are held in the Community Room at:  
AMBank Building  
620 West 100 South  
Heber City, Utah

See you there!

### This Month

Tuesday, September 19th  
***Beautiful Bags***  
workshop by  
*Christy Watt*

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Please Bring:
Ideas for Next Year
Sewing machine, basic sewing kit
Prepared tote bag units
9"x18" piece white/neutral fabric
Sew & Tell
Friendship Blocks
Quilted Nametag

A Look Ahead

Tuesday, October 17th
Stained Glass Quilts
demonstration
By
Shantelle Cox
& *Deonn Stott*

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