

January 2020

Happy New Year!

This is a shorter newsletter - with just upcoming meetings. If you have any news, you can still email me and I'll post on our blog.

Next MA/RI Regional Meetings:

Bring your bag lunch and a Show & Tell to share. Guests are always welcome. Meetings are 10 am - 2:00 pm

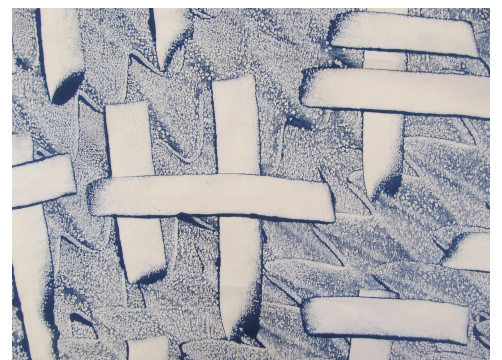
March 21, 2020 - Meraki Stitch Studio, 30 Cutler Street, Warren RI Speaker: Rochelle Blease - Starting your own business, growing your business. Also Allison Wilbur will give us a tutorial on creating quick Marketing Materials.

June 6, 2020 - Franklin Mills Fabric Store, 305 Union St, Franklin, MA 02038 Panel discussion Topic TBD

Sept. 12, 2020 - ProChem in Fall River, MA

Friday, Sept. 11, 2020 EXPLORING MONOPRINTING with June House, at PRO Chem, Fall River, MA
** Cost is \$75 plus supplies paid to ProChem the day of the workshop. Checks payable to SAQA and collected at our March and June meetings, or mailed to Sue Bates, *There is room for only ten participants* and will be filled in order of receipt of check. Contact Sue for more information Sueoftheglen@gmail.com 401- 862-3032 (c)

This full-day workshop will cover all steps involved in monoprinting with MX dyes, including setting up the work space; preparing dye and soda ash solutions; printing, and finishing the fabrics. Students will start out working with one color on layer-cake size fabrics to get familiar with the way the tools, dyes, and fabric work together, and the steps required to get a good print. You will quickly move on to working larger, combining tools, colors, and techniques to get a wide range of artistic effects. By noon you will have tried a variety of dye application methods and mark-making techniques, and the afternoon will be devoted to production. You can expect to print about 6 yards of printed fabric over the course of the day. Participants will be provided with information about purchasing and prepping their fabric at home prior to class.



Local Connections

We now have a **virtual critique group using Zoom!** The benefits are monthly zoom meetings with MA/RI SAQA members to get a gentle critique and feedback, answer questions and discuss art quilts in general with no travel time involved.

Next Zoom meeting is **Wednesday, Jan. 8th. 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM** Please email Sue Bates Sueoftheglen@gmail.com if you are interested in joining.

Cape Cod Pod ~

Meets the first Thursday of the month, 11 am - 1 pm, at **Tumbleweeds Quilt Shop**, www.tumbleweedquilts.com, 1919 Main St, Barnstable, MA Contact Elaine Hickey for more information at ehickey1202@gmail.com

The Southeast Stitchers POD ~

The Southeast Stitchers POD meets in Franklin, MA

We share our work, offer advice and feedback, generate new ideas, and are a great support to each other. There is a lot of variety in the work presented. We would love to invite new members to join us in a fun and positive experience. We are ready for new ideas and new members to make our group even better. Contact Margaret at mamcgrath27@gmail.com to visit us.

All members are welcome to go to these Critique and POD meetings. If you are interested in joining or forming a group, Sue Bates (suebates@cox.net).



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