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## FIRST CLASS MAIL

**Next Meeting: May 14, 2005**  
**11 AM to 12 PM -- Board Meeting**  
**1 PM to 5 PM -- General Meeting**

Fashion Institute of Technology (F.I.T.)  
David Dubinsky Center, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
West 27<sup>th</sup> Street & 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, NYC  
Guest Fee: \$5

**PROGRAM:** Lisa Chipetine - "Evolution of  
the Art Quilter"  
**VENDOR:** Bailey & Murphy

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### **PROGRAM**

#### LISA CHIPETINE – “EVOLUTION OF THE ART QUILTER”

**Lisa M. Chipetine** is an enthusiastic and talented quilter of contemporary art quilts. Texture and movement interplay throughout her work, truly bringing it alive. Lisa combines a variety of mixed media techniques and materials to create visual illusions that there are multiple levels within the piece – even if the piece is only two-dimensional.

Being entirely self-taught, Lisa gives herself the freedom to constantly explore new areas and permission to think outside the box, without the fear of criticism. She believes “there are no mistakes ... there is only your art.”

This presentation will be an interactive discussion regarding the definition of the "art quilt", evolution of art quilting, and taking an in-depth look at certain case studies of the evolution of several (continues on page 2)

### **WORKSHOP SPACE**

#### A GATHERING Sun. 5/15 9:30 am – 4 pm 343 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. (at 27 St.), NYC \$10

This month the workshop is open so members and friends can use the space to assemble quilts or finish up a project or two (or three?). Your fellow quilters may inspire you to add that extra touch to make your quilt sing. The space is bright and clean after its redecoration. The tables are perfect for laying out a quilt and fellow quilters can often be inveigled to help with the process. A good chance to make UFOs into FQs - finished quilts. Take advantage. Call 212-662-7771 to sign up.

### **MEMBERSHIP FORM**

If you haven't already renewed your membership, the application form is printed within. There are still a few gifts for early renewals. Offer is good while supplies last.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Guild received a gift of an unfinished quilt top started by a Japanese-American internee of one of the infamous internment camps during World War II. It is a hand-sewn Grandmother's Flower Garden so I volunteered to try and finish it since the first quilt I ever made was this pattern. I made mine as "TV" work using paper hexagons backing each piece and I thought that naturally it was made in a similar manner.

At that time we had not seen the actual quilt top and when I finally saw it in person I realized I was wrong --- it was made entirely without any paper backing and it is done really well. I am in awe of the workmanship and it is up to me to try and finish it.

So it seems my summer project is all set. I hope I can do justice to this project which has historic value to those of us who remember those days and realize now what an injustice was done to many loyal American citizens who were disenfranchised during another time when we were at war.

--- Sylvia Zeveloff

## MAY PROGRAM

(Continued from page 1)  
modern day quilt artists. *Members are encouraged to bring any quilts or works in progress for discussion and critique.*

Lisa will also discuss the Studio Art Quilt Association of New York and their 2005 initiatives.

For more information about Lisa, and to see examples of her work, visit her website: [www.Threadplay.com](http://www.Threadplay.com).

## MEMBERS' NEWS/ITEMS

**Lauren Smetko's** quilt "Indian Summer" was published in the May issue of *Quilters Newsletter Magazine* (pg 42) with an article and pattern.

Empire Quilters, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded in 1982 to preserve and promote the tradition, culture, and history of quilt-making, and to foster good fellowship among persons interested in the art of quilting in the greater New York area. The Guild has a continuing commitment to raising the level of appreciation of quilts among the general public, to using our talents in service to our community, and to the exchanging of our skills, ideas, and visions with one another. NQA Chapter 494. Old Chelsea Station, P.O. Box 1293, New York, NY 10113.

## IMPORTANT DATES



**5/14 (Sat)** – Lisa Chipetine - "Evolution of the Art Quilter". Vendor: Bailey & Murphy.

**5/15 (Sun)** – Quilting Bee.

**\*6/5 (Sun)** – Workshop: African Mosaic Quilting with Lisa Shepard Stewart. (\*Note: First Sunday of the month)

**6/11 (Sat)** – Mary Anne Ciccotelli: "The Legacy Lives On: Five Generations of Quilters". Members' Flea Market, Library's Book Sale, and Holiday in June Fundraiser.

*The following is a list of the tentative dates for next year's scheduled meetings at F.I.T.:*

September 10, 2005

October 8, 2005

November 19, 2005

(\*NOTE: this will be the *third* Saturday of the month.)

December 10, 2005

January 14, 2006

February 11, 2006

March 11, 2006

April 8, 2006

May 13, 2006

June 10, 2006

## CHARITY REPORT

Many thanks to the Empire Quilters who have continued to make such beautiful quilts. **Veronique Milliez** - 2 quilts; **Alice Oberstein** - 5 quilts; **Miriam Hirsch** - 2 quilts; **Mary Butler** - 9 Hawaiian blocks; **Ulla-Britta McCarthy** - 1 quilt; **Sandy Syken** - 3 preemie quilts, 1 baby hat; **Marge Geary** - baby hats.

Thanks to the members who donated fabric and those who continue to distribute quilts.

For those of you who knit hats for the babies --- some cultures prefer red as a color of good luck. So, don't be afraid to use bright colors for the children, besides your pastel yarns.

Thanks - *Denise, Marian and Alice.*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



"Happy Birthday to You" to everyone celebrating a special day in May! **Marie Annoual, Sister Cynthia Cunningham, Pat Decker, Larry Gifford, Michael Greenberg, Linora Hoffman, Barbara Hull, Barbara Jackson, Jacqueline Johnson, Ruthe Karlin, Anna Krassy, Anna Lega, Evelyn Martin, Laveda Myers, Rita Reid, Bette Anne Sheganoski, Naomi Shelnut and Amy Weber.**

## SHOW & TELL

April's meeting brought the following members to the front to showcase their works:

**Janet Randolph** – "Bob's Fan";  
**Leila Lieberman** – "Stars in the Snow";  
**Barbara Rose** – "Strips in Curves";  
**Anna Faustino** – "Staying Alive", "Proud Feathers", "Eclipse", and "Spring is in the Air";  
**Diane Rubenstein** – "Not Your Grandmother's Flower Garden" and "Left Overs Lap Quilt";  
**Judith Klein** – "Stack the Deck"; and  
**Agneta Noe** – 2 quilts.

## FOCUS GROUP

If you have some technique or skill you are willing to share with other members, please let **Dorothy Arkell** know. We need more members volunteering to lead Focus Groups.

ALL FOCUS GROUPS LISTED BELOW WILL BE FROM 10:30 AM – 12 PM.

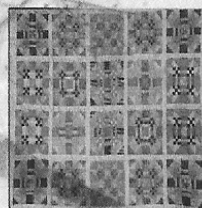
**"FAT QUARTER PIN" with Janet Randolph.** Make a fabric jewelry pin with leftover scraps from your quilting projects. Group is limited to 20. Bring white glue: Elmers, Sobo, Tacky, etc. Kit supplied.

**"EASY NO-SEW SCRAP PATCHWORK" with Marian Webber.** Demonstration of how to make a vest.

**"BASIC BEADING WORKSHOP" with Teresa Vega.** Bring beading supplies. 212-942-9310

**"SEWING CIRCLE" with Dorothy Arkell.** Bring your current project, and have a good time working with other quilters.

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## SHARE TABLE

We want to remind everyone that May's meeting will be our final share table until September, so get that Spring cleaning done and bring us your scraps! Also, please bring your small bills and change to make your purchases. On behalf of the guild, we want to thank everyone for their generous contributions over the past year. Thanks also to all of you who have purchased our bargain basement goodies. You have all helped to add some much needed \$\$\$ to our treasury.

Thanks, *Pat and Veronique*

## LIBRARY NEWS

It looks as though summer will begin early this year at our *Holiday in June* meeting. The Library has been receiving many donations of books for the book sale that will be part of the member's program in June. This will be a benefit sale for the Guild Show and the prices will be determined by the date of publication and the condition. Books less than five years old will be 1/3 of the publication price and older books will sell between \$3 - 8. As a reward for early payment of dues members will receive a library raffle ticket for a gift bag. *May be books, may be ????* At the May meeting I would appreciate the members letting me know of any special titles they would like to see in the library, or magazine subscriptions they feel would be of interest for next year. If you would like to volunteer for the library committee for next year or could help at the book sale in June please let me know. It is a most interesting job for the Guild and a great way to meet other members and to get recommendations for patterns.

I thank all the members who donated at the April meeting, and a list will be published in June. **Arlene Wiczak** will be joining **Tina Barth, Pearl Chow, and Regina Nordquist** in preparing for the Sale and in making plans for next year when **Nancy Castel** will chair the committee. --- *Catherine Bancroft*

## LISA SHEPHARD WORKSHOP

**African Mosaic Workshop: Lisa Shepard**  
**Sunday 6/5 9:30 am – 4 pm**  
**343 8th Ave @ 27th St.**

Kits for this workshop will be distributed at the May meeting. Lisa Shepard wants those attending to have time to sort the fabrics into color categories. So if you are not able to attend the meeting, please arrange for a fellow member to pick up your kit or call **Mary Butler** 212-662-7771 to see if there is someone near you who will do it for you. The workshop is full.

Supply List: Rotary cutter and mat; scissors; extra scraps; and money to buy extra fabric for borders.

## SHOWS & EVENTS

Due to space limitations in this issue, please visit the website for **Cindy Russell's** extensive list of quilting shows and events.

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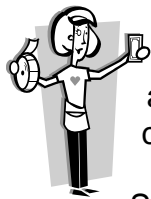
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## RAFFLES



The 50/50 Raffle will return at our May meeting! Here's another chance to win half the cash pot.

Special thanks to **Sylvia Hughes** for handling the Raffles at the April meeting while Susan and Judy were away. Once again everyone who purchased a raffle ticket had a chance to win some wonderful prizes. Thank you to those members who brought in the prizes!

## BAKE SALE & FLEA MARKET ON JUNE 11<sup>th</sup>

### DONATIONS NEEDED!

Bake Sale: Cookies, cakes, muffins, etc.

Flea Market: Resalable goods such as fabrics, notions, collectibles and UFOs.

All proceeds from the sale on June 11<sup>th</sup> will go towards our future quilt show.

## QUILTER OF THE MONTH

Quilter of the Month is such a nice part of the Guild meeting...wouldn't you agree?

We would like this to be a regular monthly feature of the Guild. Isn't it fun to find out some interesting history behind another quilter's path to quilting? Best of all we get to see some old and new creations by a fellow member, other than at "Show & Tell".

If you are interested in being considered for a spot as a future Quilter of the Month, please contact **Natalie Garfinkle** at 212-877-4702. You should be prepared to provide her with a brief biography relating to your quilting life. You should also have a collection of quilts which you can bring to a future meeting to share with fellow members.

Don't be shy ...we know you want to do it!

## WELCOMING COMMITTEE

It has been very encouraging a lot of ladies are coming in as guests. Members are being friendlier too. Starting next month guests will be announced at meetings. Thanks for suggestions and ideas. If you would like to help, see me at a meeting or call 631-286-5532. --- *Beth Pile*

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

We had a beautiful bouquet of flowers on the April Block of the Month wall, which I hope was enjoyed by everyone. Our participants were: **Carmen Caldiero** (4), **Carole Hoffman** (1), **Constance Ricks** (1), **Anne Townley** (1), **Marian Webber** (1) and **Veronique Milliez** (2) who won the blocks.

For May, applique is the theme with two blocks to choose from - a butterfly and a flower. These can be downloaded from the Internet at [www.empirequilters.net](http://www.empirequilters.net) or you can call me at (212) 662-6181 and I will send it to you. Remember, you can't win it if you are not in it!

June is going to be a special month with festivities to end our quilting season so there will not be any BOM. But be sure to look for the September Block of the Month in the June issue of the Newsletter and also online. --- *Leila Lieberman*

## FRIENDSHIP QUILT TOP

The time is drawing closer for the raffle for the Friendship Quilt top. Have you signed your signature yet? The raffle drawing will be done at the June meeting. The winner does not have to be present to win but you have to sign the quilt top to win. Join in. It is only \$2 a signature. The money raised is for the Guild. --- *Beth Pile*





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Which of the committee activities interest you?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Block of the Month | <input type="checkbox"/> Library                | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations     | <input type="checkbox"/> Ways & Means  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Trips          | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership             | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilt Show           | <input type="checkbox"/> Website       |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> History / Archives | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Mailing     | <input type="checkbox"/> Share Table          | _____                                  |
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Are you a member of the National Quilting Association?       Yes       No

Are you interested in being an officer or a committee chair of the Guild?       Yes       No

If yes, which positions interest you?:

Currently all newsletters are distributed by mail. Would you be interested in receiving the newsletter by email?  
 Please indicate your preference:       Print (mailed) only       Email only       Both

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## ELECTION RESULTS

The following are the names of newly elected Officers and Chairs for the September 2005 - June 2007 term. Voting took place at the April meeting.

**President** - Jennifer Bigelow\*  
**First VP** - Marilyn Korn  
**Second VP** - Michael Greenberg\*  
**Treasurer** - Kitty Squire\*  
**Secretary** - Joan Hellmann\*  
**Block of the Month** - Leila Lieberman  
**Bus Trips** - Franziska Riede  
**Focus Groups** - Dorothy Arkell  
**Historian & Archivist** - Mary Levins  
**Library** - Nancy Castell\*; Catherine Bancroft; Tina Barth; Pearl Chow  
**Membership** - Emma Green; Maggie Williamson  
**Newsletter Advertising** – Cynthia Spurles\*  
**Newsletter Editor** – Linda Lee Kelly\*  
**Newsletter Mailing** - Susan Louis\*  
**Programs** - Barbara Hull  
**Quilter of the Month** - Natalie Garfinkle  
**Raffle** - Pat Decker\*; Anita Duncan\*; Joann Montalbano\*  
**Service Committee** – Denise Walsh-Horowitz; Alice Oberstein; Marian Webber  
**Share Table** - Veronique Milliez; Anna Krassy\*  
**Show & Tell** - Sylvia Hughes\*  
**Sunshine/NQA Chapter Coordinator** - Beth Pile  
**Ways & Means** – Paula Kenney  
**Webmaster** - Cindy Russell  
**Welcoming** - Beth Pile  
**Workshops** - Mary Butler

\* - indicates new person filing position.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

	3/14/2005YTD 4/9/2005	YTD
<b>Income</b>		
Advertising	0.00	2,239.50
Auction Income:		
Bake Sale	284.90	
Cash Raffle	221.00	
Flea Market	586.90	
Live Auction	4,125.00	
Silent Auction	1,836.00	
	0.00	7,053.80
Friendship Quilt	46.00	76.00
Guest Fees	45.00	190.00
Guild Sales	0.00	15.00
Library Income	45.25	224.71
Membership Fees	970.00	6,705.00
Mtg Raffle	136.00	841.00
Raffle Quilt Income	0.00	4,477.00
Scrap Table	75.25	480.06
Mtg Vendors	73.55	533.95
Workshop Fees	1,500.00	3,980.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,891.05</b>	<b>26,816.02</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Advertising Exp	0.00	100.00
Auction Expenses	0.00	265.95
Insurance	126.00	1,180.00
Library Exp	0.00	143.20
Newsltr Printing	227.69	1,874.31
P.O. Box	0.00	118.00
Postage	103.60	897.77
Raffle Quilt Exp	0.00	752.48
Rent @ FIT	0.00	5,000.00
Speaker Exp	966.66	1,345.01
Speaker Prog Fee	300.00	1,550.00
Subscriptions	0.00	44.90
Website	0.00	141.65
Wrkshp Exp	4.33	1,168.73
Wrkshp Teacher Fee	450.00	1,850.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,178.28</b>	<b>16,432.00</b>

## FUTURE QUILT SHOW

Hopefully we can raise enough funds and find a suitable venue to have a quilt show during the fall of 2006, in time to celebrate the Guild's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As you can see from the Treasurer's Report, we've raised a decent amount from our Auction and other fundraisers, but we still need more. We will need lots of quilts to be displayed ... so, get working on those UFO's or start a special project just for this exhibit. More importantly, the Guild will need the support of each and every member to stage a successful show.

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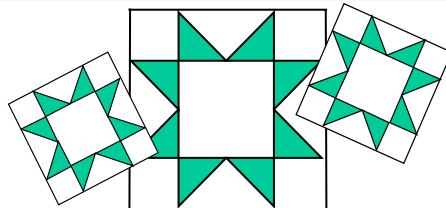
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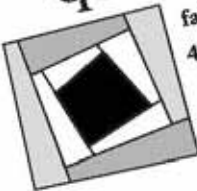
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2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ellen Piccolo

All 30 entries were outstanding  
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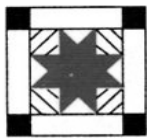
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