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**NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 19, 2005
(Third Saturday of the Month)
11 AM TO 12 PM – BOARD MEETING
1 PM TO 5 PM – GENERAL MEETING
Fashion Institute of Technology (F.I.T.)
David Dubinsky Center, 8th Floor
West 27th Street & 8th Avenue, NYC
GUEST FEE \$5.00**

**PROGRAM: “WORKING IN A SERIES” WITH CAROL TAYLOR
VENDOR: HANDLOOM BATIKS
QUILTER OF THE MONTH: PAT DECKER
WORKSHOP: ARC-I-TEXTURE QUILT WITH CAROL TAYLOR**

PROGRAM

This month's program is “**Working in a Series**” with internationally known, award winning quilt artist, **Carol Taylor**. Carol has won five “Best of Show” awards in her career with five different quilts. She has created more than 450 quilts since she began quilting in 1993. In May, 2001, the Museum of Art and Design in New York acquired her quilt “Reverberations” for their permanent collection and “Six Continents of Quilts” exhibition. Her work was also selected for the Smithsonian’s “Following the Thread” exhibit in 2002. Her quilt “Cymbalism” was one of fifteen selected for the Museum of American Folk Art’s exhibition which toured from 2001 – 2003. Carol has won many awards at quilt shows

over the years, and an amazing 21 major prizes in 2005, 17 in 2004, and 10 in 2003.

Carol is an elementary school teacher by degree and a sales recruiter for 22 years. She closed her business in October, 2003 to become a full time quilter. Her art quilts grace the walls of several companies as well as private collectors.

Carol loves color and is obsessed with quilting. She loves to spend time in her studio playing with fabrics, threads and designs. This month’s program promises to be very exciting and inspirational. Carol will show us her wonderful quilts and share with us how she created them. For more information and to see her quilt gallery, go to her website at www.CarolTaylorQuilts.com. **WORKSHOP INFO PAGE 2.** (See pg. 9 for future workshop info).

WORKSHOP

Arc-I-Texture Quilt with Carol Taylor

Cost: \$65.00 Paid by November 9th

Date: Sunday, November 20, 2005

Time: 9:30A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Place: 343 8th Avenue, NYC

Carol Taylor has been making a name for herself in quilting circles with her imaginative and wonderfully colorful geometric award winners. She will be teaching her favorite class on how to mix shapes and shades and finish them with surface action that raises the level of visual enjoyment. Carol wants you to bring your fabrics, including textured fabrics—upholstery, homespuns, etc—already fused in small units, 10" to 12" square. So the only big items to bring are a sewing machine and iron. Those who want to expand their quilting horizons, sign up. Call 212•662-7771 to reserve or send a cheque made out to **Empire Quilters to: M. Buttler c/o Empire Quilters, 10 W 95 St NYC 10025. Cheques should be in by November 9th to assure your reservation.**

ARC-I-TEXTURE SUPPLY LIST: (Carol Taylor) Long version on the Web.

www.Emperquilters.net. workshop page.

Also go to www.CarolTaylorQuilts.com to see pictures of Carol's Arc-I-Texture quilts.

Go to Teaching Info page.

- ❖ Sewing machine: including all feet plus couching or braiding or piping foot (Bernina's #21). Several bobbins, extension cord. 90/14 machine needles (bring extra). Bring your manual if you are not sure about machine set up for these feet.
- ❖ Basic sewing supplies: scissors, pins, hand needles (sharps), thread for binding, seam ripper. Basting spray such as 505 (this is an indoor workshop, be sure your spray is non-toxic).
- ❖ Pressing: Bring an iron and small pressing pad. You will want your own.

Also bring a pressing cloth for any delicate fabrics or yarns you apply.

- ❖ Fusible web: 1-2 yards regular Wonder Under® or Transweb®. **DO NOT** bring heat and bond. It is too heavy for this project. **BEFORE CLASS**, iron fusible web to each of 7-10 color coordinated fabrics you plan to use. **THIS MUST BE DONE AT HOME**. Bring extra fusible to class with extra fabrics in case you want to add a new fabric you weren't sure about using.
- ❖ Fabrics: Texture is the focus. Choose 7 – 10 different fabrics (light, medium, dark, some textured) which coordinate color wise. You won't need much of any one fabric for your 15x 15 piece. Bring extra fabric so you can play.
- ❖ Trims: Any chenille or fancy yarn (stay away from eye lash yarns as they will get caught in thread when couching), ribbon floss or wide thread to couch down for the "arcs" (circles). **BRING 2 KINDS IN CONTINUOUS LENGTHS**: Thinner to match or blend with your fabrics for all "seams" and raw edges. Black or a subtle multicolor, nubby or smooth, works well. Heavier for the circles that go on top of everything. Multicolored yarns work well for contrast. Chenille is the most forgiving and the easiest.
- ❖ Thread: Invisible or fancy rayon thread for couching. YLI® clear invisible thread allows couched yarn to "star". Also matching thread for binding.
- ❖ Backing /Base/Batting: (a) A 16" x 16" **WASHED** muslin, solid black or white base fabric. (b) A 17" x 17" backing fabric. (c) A 17" x 17" spray basted batting already ironed onto your backing. (d) To try my method of "facing" instead of binding, cut six 3" x 18" strips of backing fabric. I will demo how to bind so it doesn't show. (e) A practice sandwich, 15" x 15", spray basted together to test couching the binding as a facing technique.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello everyone. Quilts are on my mind – the Raffle Quilt for the Show, and picking one of my warm quilts to put on my bed now that it's raining and the temperatures are dropping. Please remember there are still Katrina and Rita victims who will love to have quilts that we might donate. Mary Butler has just informed me that St Peter's Church, between Vesey and Barclay's Streets, are delighted to receive our donations and distribute the quilts to Katrina victims who've relocated to the NYC area. Please keep these folks in mind and give what you can.

I don't know about the others at the meeting on Saturday, but I found the film "Woman's Work: Making Quilts ~ Creating Art" informative, enlightening and quite entertaining. It was clear in the laughter and the groans that several of us identified with various stories shared by those exciting quilters. Personally, I was delighted to have the popcorn to nosh on – thanks to Barbara Hull for thinking of that. Also, I forgot to mention at the meeting the wonderful turnout by Empire Quilters at the American Folk Art Museum the prior Saturday – we demonstrated lots of different quilting activities, and got to know each other better.

We're heading into winter – and with that comes our Holiday boutique and party at the December meeting. Michael and Paula have planned a fundraising day with a number of activities that are outside our usual set of ideas. I think that there'll be lots of fun and hopefully many happy quilters at the end of the day. Without a doubt the Guild needs your support – both by donating items for the Chinese Auction and the Raffles, and by participating in both those events. And, don't forget there will be games of chance – we can all let loose and feel like children again, as we toss spools to win fat quarters of fabric. Remember to donate fat quarters for prizes... the more fat quarters we receive, the more prizes you'll share. You can

start bringing in items at the November meeting.

Finally – as mentioned at the meeting on Saturday, one benefit many of us enjoy by being members of the Guild is learning from other quilters about various aspects of quilting from design and planning to finishing and everything in between. Focus Groups has been a very useful and fun mechanism for this, and I encourage everyone to think about what sorts of subjects you'd like to see – or present – in a focus group. I was delighted to see a very large turn-out for the Crazy Patchwork Focus Group that Beth Pile and Natalie Garfinkle are running (these two are clearly experts in this genre!). Please e-mail us at info@empirequilters.net to let us know your ideas.

I look forward to seeing you all next month. Meanwhile – Happy Halloween!

Jennifer

QUILTER OF THE MONTH

PAT DECKER

In my non-quilting life, I am a graphic designer. For many years, most of my work was black & white advertising print design. I think that explains my enthusiasm for very colorful quilts. My first quilt, in 1979, was a totally non-traditional design. It was an alphabet and animals baby quilt painted on muslin with machine-stitched outlines. Not knowing a thing about fabric paints, it was stiff from acrylic paint and definitely meant to be a wall quilt. (Otherwise it probably would have crushed the recipient). I retired from quilting for a few years until I was given Beth Gutcheon's book, "The Perfect Patchwork Primer". (Most of the books in the early eighties were black and white and not particularly inspiring.) I was also under the impression that one needed a quilting frame in order to quilt. For a long time, I felt you needed

to have a reason to make a quilt. (like a wedding, baby shower, Christmas) How foolish. When I discovered "quilt as you go", I went! In the past 20 years I have probably produced close to 200 quilts and unfinished tops. The designing, planning and piecing are my favorite activities. The quilting is not. I am a dedicated "scrap" quilter - I have found very few fabrics (even the downright uglies) - that can't find a place in one of my quilts. I also learn everything the hard way. My seam-ripper is a faithful companion. I've been a member of Empire since 1995, the Long Island Quilters Guild since 2001 and prior to moving into Manhattan, I belonged to the Eastern Long Island Quilters Guild. Can't say I'll ever be an expert at any phase of the process, but I sure do enjoy trying.

FOCUS GROUPS

“In the Process” (10:30 am-12:30 pm)

This is an opportunity to work on your projects. Come share your ideas with others. Any questions, call **Dorothy Arkell** at 212-675-2438.

“Working with Silk” (10:30 am-12:30 pm)

For all people who have been collecting pieces of silk, we will continue the discussion on working with silk. If you missed this discussion last month, please come this month. Any questions, call **Dorothy Arkell** at 212-675-2438.

“Tote Bag Demonstration” (10:30 am – 12:30 pm)

Janet Randolph will demonstrate easy steps to make a tote bag with inside pockets. She will demonstrate how to make handles, lining and inside pockets. Anyone who has seen her bags at show and tell will want to see this demonstration. Learn how to make a proper lining for bags. Bring any color sewing thread, needle and small scissors." Any questions, call **Janet Randolph** at 973-744-0933.

“On Going Crazy Quilt Group” (3:30 pm – 5:00 pm)

Natalie Garfinkle and Beth Pile will be running an on going crazy quilt group. The group members are making progress on constructing their crazy quilt block. The next focus group will be on embroidery stitches. Bring floss, a basic sewing kit and a piece of 15” x 15” cloth to practice stitches on. Any questions, call **Natalie** at 212-877-4702 or **Beth** 631-286-5532.

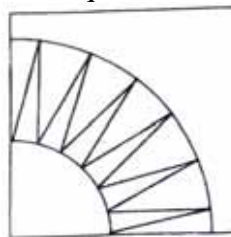
“New York Beauty Raffle Quilt Block” (3:30 pm – 5:00 pm)

Following the November meeting, the Raffle Quilt Committee will host a focus group to teach members how to make a New York Beauty Block.

We will provide the foundation, and ask that you come with 4 fabrics, 2 of which should have good contrast for the pointy section. Dark and light scraps could be used too.

This block can be hand pieced or machine pieced. There will be a limited number of machines available, so you may want to bring your own. For hand-piecing, bring your usual sewing kit. The blocks made in the focus group session are yours to keep and practice with. If you are interested in attending this focus group, please contact **Paula Kenny** – at 212-982-8043. – so that she brings sufficient materials and instructions.

Finally, please join Raffle Quilt Committee members at the December “Gathering”, when we will be there to work on the blocks for the raffle quilt.



Let us know your preferences on the times for focus groups that best suit you the members. Morning vs. Afternoons. E-mail us at info@empirequilters.net. Also, let us or Dorothy Arkell know if you are interested in doing a focus group. Thank you for your input.

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SHOW AND TELL

The all-day soaking rain didn't stop the following members from bringing in their projects to share with us at the October meeting. The works added sparkle to the soggy day!

Gloria Bletter (*Untitled*), Mary Butler (*Charity Quilt* and *Stitching Class Samples*), Anna Faustino (*"I Didn't Do It!"*, *Unnamed*, and *Will of Life*), Marilyn Frazza (*Style* and *Oriental Ribbon Bouquet*), Sylvia "Cookie" Hodge (*Quilt-N-Queens Round Robin*), Debra Levin (*3 baby quilts*), Janet Randolph (*Quilted Totes*), Sonia Rieber (*Joan Shay Flower*), Winifred Sanders (*Women in the Portal*).

If you missed the meeting, you can see these works on the guild website. Look for the **Show & Tell** link. We hope to see your work at the November meeting!

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

October's block was not as successful as I had hoped. Even so, we had nine blocks on the wall, but six of them were made by anonymous. Thus, Rhona Trigg who made three of the blocks was the automatic winner.

You all saw the November block in the October newsletter. In December we are having raffles and parties, so there will not be any Block of the Month. I hope you will use that time to make a charity quilt, so we can send more to the Katrina effort. **Leila Lieberman**

WELCOMING/SUNSHINE

Thanks again to all members who made guests and new members feel welcome at our October meeting. If anyone would like a sympathy or get well card sent from Empire, let me know. **Beth Pile**

BOARD MEETING MINUTES ON WEBSITE

Our board meeting minutes are posted on our website at:

WWW.EMPIREQUILTERS.NET They can be found on the Committees page of the website and are in .pdf format. A password is required to open the file.

If you've forgotten the password, e-mail info@empirequilters.net. When your membership is verified, the password will be e-mailed to you. Additionally, the minutes can be perused at our meeting; they are to be found at our membership table.

Joan Hellmann, Secretary

to thank the members who have purchased these scraps as well. Thank you, **Anna Krassy** and **Veronique Milliez**.



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CHARITY COMMITTEE

The Service Committee would like to thank all our members who donated quilts, hats and fabric in October. In October, we received donated fabric and next month as well. This fabric is for charity quilts. The members who take the fabric are expected to return charity quilts by February, 2006 which is our charity month.

The committee would like to thank the following members for their donations:

Quilts: Lee Ebbs (2), Judy Klein (2), Anna Faustino (5) to Houston.

Baby Hats: Fanny D'Avino (12)

Fabric: Sylvia Zeveloff

Thank you. **Denise Walsh-Horowitz, Alice Oberstein, Marion Webber**

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SHARE TABLE

Anna Krassy and Veronique Milliez would like to thank all the members who have donated fabric to the share table. They would also like



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Empire Quilt Guild Holiday Fundraiser Bazaar December 10th

This year's fundraiser will be a "fun"-raiser. It will not be as elaborate a production as prior year's but will still give everyone a chance to get together, socialize, bid/buy a few tickets to win some great items, and try your hand at a couple games of chance. This meeting will open to guests (no guest fee) but admission will be a donation of a raffle item (see below) -- even if it is just one piece of fabric. Bring along a project to work on while the afternoon activities take place.

So, First – the ask/plea. We would like EQG members to donate Something towards the fundraiser. Ideally it is something useful and of value that you have on hand and wouldn't mind donating it to the Guild. We will then bundle it with a few other items to make a unique "package" to raffle off. We'd like you to consider "re-gifting" something you might have received and know that you will never use, or perhaps some new quilting supplies or notions where you have extra on hand. Now is the time to look in your closet for that gift you received two years ago that has not made it out of the box. For this event we'd like to take a "pass" on finished quilts or craft projects (unless you have a superb piece of work!) or "flea market" items. You can hold onto them for a meeting later in the year. For this December event we would like to receive more "upscale" donations – sorry in advance, no offense intended, but "no junk". Last, we want Fabric -- fat quarters!! Bring as many as you can since they will be the main prizes for our games of chance. Roll/elastic band or fold/ribbon them if you can. Pretty is always good.

The event is essentially a four-patch:

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>First Block</u></p> <p>Progressive Ballot Box Raffle</p> <p>This is not your ordinary auction – ticket sellers will be walking the floor selling special Progressive Ballot Box Raffle tickets for \$1 each. On these tickets you will print your name and phone number. You then take your purchased tickets and drop them into the ballot boxes in front of the prize packages that you hope to win. We hope to have between 30 and 40 "lots" of prizes in this area. For you clever ones – you can swing the odds in your favor by loading up the ballot boxes in front of items you really like – and pass over the ones that don't interest you. The drawings will start taking place by early afternoon.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Second Block</u></p> <p>Bake Share and Coffee/Tea</p> <p>Bring along some baked goods to share with everyone else. This is not a "bake sale" – this is free munchies for all attendees. Here's your chance to show off your ability with a cookie sheet/cake pan and get everyone buzzing with sugar for the day. For those of you who are oven-challenged – bring along a few sodas, coffee or teas, or paper plates/cups/napkins are always welcomed.</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Third Block</u></p> <p>Carnival Games of Chance</p>  <p>We will have a couple carnival-type games of chance to get everyone in the swing of things and having a good time. There will be a thread-spool toss. Pay for a "chance", toss the spool at an array of plastic cups and win yourself fat-quarter fabrics if your aim is any good. The other game of chance will be to win some of the 60+ different quilting books and patterns generously donated by Ann Logan.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Fourth Block</u></p> <p>Tickets in A Super-Raffle</p>  <p>You know this familiar routine – however this raffle will have some "kick" to it. We hope to have some really super prizes in the raffle to push up the numbers of tickets purchased. People will be selling tickets and numbers will be drawn for the pick of the prize table during the course of the afternoon,</p>

So there you have it! **In summary:** find something and maybe a guest to bring to the December Bazaar. For those who can't attend, but want to donate, you can bring your items to the November meeting and we will have someone collect them for the Holiday Fundraiser. Gather together some fabric fat-quarters, come along in December, and have some fun.

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February:

Alert: The African Mosaic workshop with Lisa Shepard is being given again on Saturday, February 4. All those interested please sign up during the December meeting. The cost is \$75 which includes the complete kit with fabrics. **Payment is required no later than January 23.** Make cheques out to **Empire Quilters** and send to **M. Butler, c/o Empire Quilters, 10 West 95 St. NYC 10025.**

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The guild would like to extend its deepest sympathies to Murry Silfen whose wife Lillian Silfen, a long time Empire member, passed away earlier this year. We would like to thank her husband for the donation of fabrics he made to the guild in his wife's name. It was greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to send a card, the address is: 3975 Sedgewick Ave., 13th floor, Bronx NY 10463.

50/50 RAFFLE IS A 100% SUCCESS

Congratulations, and thank you to Kitty Squire, who after winning 95\$ in the Guilds raffle donated it back to the Guild. Thanks to her generosity and that of all the Guild members we are able to send a check for \$200 to The Hurricane Relief Fund at the **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**. Thanks to all who participated.
Paula Kenney

UPCOMING MEETINGS

January 14, 2006 (Program to be determined)

February 11, 2006 (Charity Quilting Day)

March 11, 2006 (Program to be determined)

April 8, 2006 (Program to be determined)

May 13, 2006 (Program to be determined)

June 10, 2006 (Program to be determined)

FUTURE WORKSHOP INFO

December:

Sunday, December 11 will be the Gathering Day for Empire members to finish up holiday gifts, assemble UFOs and such. In addition, some members have expressed interest in having some instruction on quilting techniques, i.e. Quilt As You Go which will be demonstrated by Tina Barth; binding a la Carol Taylor, instructor tbd. Any other questions you would like answered, please contact citymary@aol.com and we will try to find an expert to fill you in on the latest and best way to solve your dilemma.

January:

Those interested in taking Mary Anne Ciccotelli's folded flower bag workshop please sign up by the November meeting, Saturday, November 19. Mary Anne needs to have the templates and instructions distributed during the December meeting. Workshop cost is \$35. **Cheques should be received by December 7**, made out to **Empire Quilters** and sent to **M. Butler, c/o**

TREASURER'S REPORT 9/15-10/13

Income as of 10/13	Month	Y-T-D
Guest Fees	\$0.00	\$75.00
Katrina Auction	\$200.00	\$200.00
Library Income	\$52.00	\$69.00
Membership	\$985.00	\$3,280.00
Monthly Raffles	\$147.00	\$267.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$1,136.50	\$1,636.50
Share Table	\$111.00	\$243.00
Vendor Sales	\$74.00	\$74.00
Workshops	\$65.00	\$65.00
Total Income	\$2,770.50	\$5,909.50
Expenses as of 10/12/05	Month	Y-T-D
Fons and Porter		
Subscriptions	\$0.00	\$80.00
Insurance	\$1,122.00	\$1,122.00
Newsletter Expense	\$295.00	\$566.56
Newsletter Mailing	\$125.80	\$416.80
Printing and Reproduction	\$0.00	\$16.23
Postage-Show	\$58.85	\$58.85
Refunds on Membership	\$50.00	\$75.00
Rent	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
Speaker	\$0.00	\$200.00
Speaker Expenses		\$62.46
Stationery		\$396.88
Website	\$21.95	\$43.90
Welcoming Committee	\$30.14	\$30.14
Workshop Expense		\$400.00
Workshop Teacher Fees	\$0.00	\$200.00
Total Expenses	\$1,703.74	\$6,168.82
Current Bank Balance as of 10/12/05		
Quilt Show Checking	\$11,390.47	
Guild Checking	\$21,711.64	
	\$33,102.11	

Quilt Weekend

Thanks to all our members who participated in the Quilt Art demonstrations at the Folk Art Museum the first Saturday in October. We had a terrific turn out and want to thank all who participated-**Lee Ebs, Sylvia Hughes, Paula Kenney, Jennifer Bigelow, Shirley Levine, Diane Rubenstein, Cindy Russell, Mary Butler, Marilyn Lutzker, Frieda Langman and Kitty Squire.** We showed off our skills and projects. Check out the **Archive** section of our **Website** to see how busy and crowded we were.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to all the donors of magazines and books at the October Meeting. Everyone enjoys them and it adds to our library. Donating were Priscilla Blakemore, Kelly Rusinek, Cynthia Cunningham, and Barbara Jackson. If you donated and did not sign the sheet we thank you too. Everyone seemed to enjoy the October “theme” of Quilters on TV” since all the books we brought were circulated. The theme for November will be books on quilting stitches and techniques, and on color in your quilts. If you have a request please call Tina Barth. If it is in the library we will bring it to the November meeting. **The Holiday Party will be held in December and there will be no library. Books may be returned then however and donations can be brought in.** For those who asked about the TV shows please check listings for channel 25 (WNYE) and channel 21 (WLIW) on the broadcast stations, and the HGTV channel on cable where Alex Anderson has a daily program at 8:30 am. The holiday how-to books were good buys at our sale and the few that are left will be at the November meeting. The money will go to the Show fund. **Catherine Bancroft**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the December, 2005 newsletter is: **Monday, November 21, 2005**. Due to the short period of time between the November and December meeting, I need to move the deadline up two days. Please send information to: Linda Lee Kelly, 950 Oaks Drive, Franklin Square, NY 11010 or e-mail: **LKELLY20@OPTONLINE.NET**.

New York Disaster Interfaith Services (NYDIS) has opened a Katrina Evacuee Clothing Mart at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church on Church St between Barclay and Vesey. (The A/C/E to Chambers St. or the 2/3 to Park Place.). They will accept the donation of new quilts **Monday-Saturday, 10 am-6 pm**. Their number is **347-387-3678**.

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