

Oklahoma Quilters' State Organization

Sept 2021

OQSO Fall Retreat
September 17-19, 2021

At
Lake Murray State Park
Ardmore, Ok.

Featuring...
Emily Taylor
Let's have some fun with fabric!



Bits
And
Pieces

OQSO PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Lavena Rager

Welcome Ladies!!!!

I am looking forward to a great weekend! We have wonderful teachers coming and I want to take every class, but I find it hard to be in several places at the same time...Decisions! Decisions!!

We will be eating buffet style, which will be set up in the hallway between the large meeting room and the hospitality room. So, when eating at your sewing area, please be super careful...no food spilled on fabrics: horrid thought!!

The board members have worked to make this a super retreat and we welcome you to a great fun and learning experience. So, get your reservation and class choices turned in quickly! See you at retreat!!!

New friends are always welcomed. Just share a copy of the newsletter or direct them to the web site and fill out the appropriate information and send them in with a check. We would like to see former members return and new ones to take advantage of what our retreats have to offer.



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FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT: Carol Capshaw

Welcome quilters! I was delighted to see former and new OQSO members out and about for the Spring retreat. Sure missed my quilting friends. I'm confident our numbers will be even higher for the Fall retreat in Ardmore. The board has worked hard to produce a fun, relaxing retreat.

Please feel free to contact me through the website if you have any questions about attending the Fall retreat, OQSO.com.

Our guest speaker, Emily Taylor, Collagequilter.com, is sure to please.

Let's Retreat!

Carol Capshaw, VP

Emily Taylor-Foolproof fun with Fabric



Emily Taylor is a self-taught artist, fabric designer and quilter. She has been a creative entrepreneur in both the home decor industry and quilt industry for 20+ years. In her new book, *Collage Quilter: Essentials for Success with Collage Quilts*, Emily explains the essentials for success with collage quilts. Using detailed photos and illustrations, Emily guides readers through the foundational principles of art that

should be understood and applied by aspiring collage quilt artists. She explores value, color temperature, and contrast in the process of fabric selection for a quilt. Emily also explains in depth the pros and cons of various supplies for making collage quilts. Finally, she provides four collage quilt projects in the book that readers can create as they apply the lessons of the book and learn her methods.

Future OQSO Feature Teacher

Spring 2022

Cynthia England

Fall 2022

Sarah Ann Smith

Emily's Patterns...

If you are taking Emily's classes, a pattern is required for \$39, you can purchase them in class or order online, a discount code will be in your supply list.

Help, Help, Help!

Folders and holders are needed during trunk show and show and tell. Please offer to help at registration. Vendor bucks will be the reward for your help.

Lake Murray State Park September 17-19

3323 Lodge Rd.
Ardmore, Ok 73401
580-223-6600

The room package is for Friday & Saturday nights. The meal package cost is \$93 to be added onto the registration form.

\$270+tax for 1 person
\$135+tax for 2 in a room per person
\$90+tax for 3 in a room person
\$67.50+tax for 4 in a room per person

You can contact Carol Capshaw for any questions.
580-483-6713
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: Covid Contest: Can you remember when?...

: we were in Lockdown because of the pandemic. Did you start and finish
: a special quilting project to maintain your sanity. If you did, please
: bring your finished Covid quilt to the meeting and show us what you
: accomplished. There will be prizes and maybe even a Covid Trophy.
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Fat Quarter Lottery

*We will be looking at many different fabrics and colors with Emily. Since Summer this year has been so colorful with all the rain, we want you to bring some **FLORAL** fat Quarters for a Lottery. We hope you will participate with a bouquet.*

Retreat Raffle



Bloc Loc set #1

Sue Roy will be available to take your money and give you a chance at winning one of these 2 items. Both are great tools to help with your projects.



Matilda's Cutting Mat

Retreat, Go or not to Go??

Most people are hesitant to try something new. I am hesitant, but usually not for long. I have a tendency to want to try new things and new experiences. OQSO was one of those. I never heard of it before. I had never seen a TV ad, Newspaper ad, or a billboard that told what it was. A friend explained and pushed a little and came along side of me as a room mate and even catered to me personally, so I came. I have been going ever since then.

The entire idea of the Oklahoma State Quilter's Organization retreat is to get away with likeminded friends and focus yourself on quilting projects, learning, eating and making great friends. We try to have a national quilting teacher to bring her special talent to share with us at a minimal cost. We enlist guild members to teach projects at our retreat as well. Covid has caused us to be down in numbers, now we can be the TV ad, commercial, or newspaper ad by sharing the word about the retreat. Sometimes it is just nice to sit and complete something that needed to be finished. This is a great place to do it.

Our numbers were way down at the February Retreat, but we had a fun time in spite of it all. We refused to let the virus win. So much had changed that we had to adapt as well. Even though some of the changes were a little uncomfortable, the time spent with the group of ladies who love to do the same things we do was priceless. We sewed, we laughed, we ate, we had speakers, and we had show and tell. What a great retreat. No big whistles and bangs, but a great retreat.

My appeal to all that see this newsletter is share with a friend or two and at your guild. We can bring our numbers back up, we can sew to our hearts content, we can sleep in, we can snack, we can relax and put our responsibilities on the back burner for a few days. I challenge you to share and bring a friend with you this retreat. We also have a few positions open on the board. If you would be interested in helping, just let a board member know.

Thanks so much for reading this message. We sure missed a lot of our friends in February. I am hoping we can bring our numbers up and support this organization to keep it going. So, put your pedal to the metal and I hope I see you in September!

Newsletter

Donna

*I filled up the empty space!!



See you soon!!!

Classes

Mystery Quilt
 With
Janet North!!

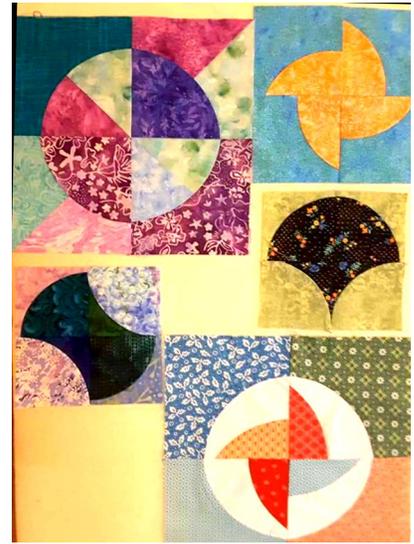
Friday Night after the meeting.



Emily's Fool Proof Flowers
 Learn the ins and outs of collage arrangements with this basic class.



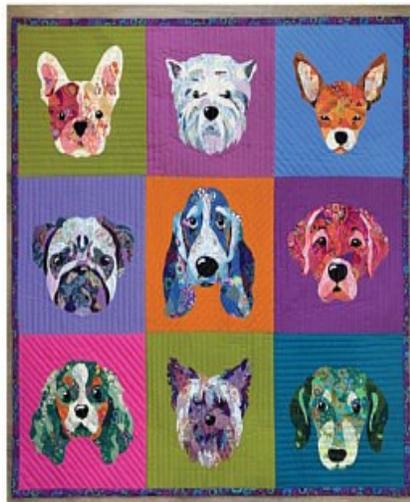
Pinless Drunkards Path
 By Sue and Gary.



Drunkards Path Beyond the Basics

You will learn 5 advanced blocks and techniques: Apple Core, Clam Shell, Split Drunkard's Path, Pinwheel, and Whirlybird. All use the Drunkard's Path Tool. This is a technique class rather than a project class. You will leave with your sample blocks and instructions on how to make them for your future projects.

Prerequisites: You must have taken our basic Drunkard's Path class and be comfortable making a 6" Drunkard's Path block.

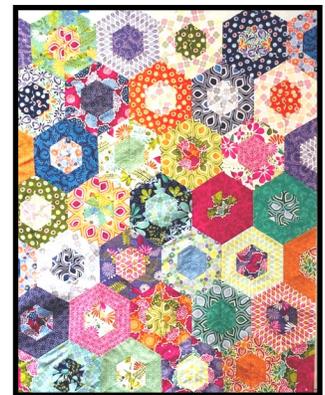


Take it up a step with Emily's Pop Art Pups.

This is a version of a Stack & Slash using 1" strips of black as 'leading' between the colorful fabrics. Class will concentrate on block and pieced border construction.



Broken Glass
 Joan Ballew



Merry Go Round

Make a fabulous pieced hexagon quilt using a jelly roll. You will learn a simple strip-piecing technique, rotary cutting with a 60° triangle ruler, and super easy construction techniques. The project makes a great throw or crib size quilt. Use 2 jelly rolls for a larger project.

Registration Deadline August 18, 2021

Fall Retreat at Lake Murray Sept 17-19

No Refunds after deadline, August 18, 2021

Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Newsletter Via Email/ Yes(____)No(____)

Registration Fee.....\$ 30

Membership Fee.....New _____ Renewal _____ \$15 _____

Meal Package Required.....\$ 93

Classes

Friday All Day: 8:30-11:30 1:30-4:30:

Emily Taylor: Taylor: Collage Flowers (Pattern Required \$39 paid to Emily).....\$45 _____

Friday Morning: 8:30-11:30

Gary Wasson, Sue Semler: Drunkards Path Beyond the Basics(\$10 precut kit).....\$20 _____

(Drunkards path tool \$15 paid to teacher)

Friday Afternoon: 1:30-4:30:

Gary Wasson, Sue Semler: Drunkards Path Beyond the Basics.....\$20 _____

(\$10 pre-cut fabric it and \$15 Drunkard's Path tool paid to teacher)

Friday After Meeting :

Mystery with Janet North.....\$20 _____

Saturday : 8:30-11:30 1:30-4:30:

Emily Taylor: Pop Art Pups (Pattern required \$39 paid to teacher).....\$45 _____

Reeze Hanson: Merry Go Round (\$25 pattern and ruler paid to teacher).....\$20 _____

Sunday Morning: 8:30-11:30

Joan Ballew: Broken Glass.....\$20 _____

**Emily's discount code will be in the supply list*

Total Enclosed.....\$ _____

Lavena Rager

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Please mark if you need a roommate for the
retreat.... _____

Please include a SASE for those who want their supply lists
sent regular mail Make Checks payable to OQSO and mail
to Lavena Rager.



Checklist for Retreat.

(Someone always forgets something) An iron, a large ironing surface and large cutting mat will be in the common sewing area for everyone to use.

Make sure you bring the following:

- * Sewing Machine
- * Pedal
- * Sewing light
- * Fabric and class supplies
- * Rotary Cutter
- * Small cutting mat
- * Thread
- * Pins
- * Seam ripper
- * Marking Pencils
- * Iron
- * Ironing surface
- * Sewing Supplies
- * Anything special for class
- * Neck Wallet for name tag
- * Power Strip
- * Surge protector
- * **Jacket for your personal Climate control.**

Don't Forget:

Your floral fat quarters for the Lottery, your Covid project, the entire idea of the Oklahoma State Quilter's Organization retreat is to get away with likeminded friends and

QQSO.com

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