



Karen Marchetti

# ABOUT ME

Karen Marchetti is a longarm quilter, designer, and educator behind Creative Longarm Quilting. Quilting since 2003, she has built a nationally recognized career rooted in creativity, curiosity, and a deep love of surface design, with her work appearing on the quilt show circuit since 2006.

Known for her imaginative, texture-rich style, Karen blends hand and machine techniques—including appliqué, quilting, and design—to create visually engaging, layered quilts. Her approach goes beyond the stitches themselves, focusing on how design choices work together to shape the final outcome.

A former Gammill Educator and Quilt Artist, Karen has spent years teaching quilters across the country. Her classes, digital designs, and educational resources are designed to help quilters move beyond simply following patterns and instead understand the “why” behind their decisions.

Her teaching style is practical, encouraging, and grounded in one core belief: quilting isn't just about what you stitch—it's about intention.

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Helping  
quilters  
design,  
explore, and  
create with  
intention.

Where  
quilting  
choices start  
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## WHAT STUDENTS GAIN

- Practical, real-world techniques
- Better decision-making (not just designs)
- Confidence and skills that translate across quilts
- Clarity on what to do—and why it works
- Confidence to move beyond patterns and trust their choices
- Tools to design quilts with intention, not guesswork
- Fresh ideas they can use immediately

## FORMATS

- Lecture or Trunk Show
- Half-day workshop
- Full-day workshop
- Virtual or in-person

## CONTACT

I'd love to work with your guild — reach out to discuss dates and customized workshop options.

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# POPULAR QUILTING WORKSHOPS



## ***SURFACE STRATEGIES***

MAKE YOUR QUILTS POP WITH PERSONALITY! LEARN TO USE TEXTURE WITH PURPOSE—HANDLE BUSY PRINTS, CREATE MOVEMENT, ADD DEPTH WITH DENSITY, AND HIGHLIGHT KEY ELEMENTS. WALK AWAY WITH GO-TO STRATEGIES FOR DIMENSION AND IMPACT.

*LECTURE OR WORKSHOP*

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## ***FLAT FACTOR***

WAVY BORDERS, BULGING BLOCKS, AND TOPS THAT WON'T LIE FLAT—THIS CLASS GIVES YOU PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS FOR REAL QUILTING PROBLEMS. LEARN HOW TO ASSESS AND MANAGE FULLNESS, STABILIZE TRICKY AREAS, AND MAKE CONFIDENT DECISIONS AT THE FRAME. PERFECT FOR ANYONE WHO'S EVER THOUGHT, "WHAT DO I DO WITH THIS?"

*LECTURE*

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## ***BRILLIANT BORDERS***

TURN "WHAT DO I DO HERE?" INTO YOUR BEST QUILTING MOMENT. BORDERS DON'T HAVE TO FEEL INTIMIDATING. LEARN HOW TO APPROACH LARGE SPACES WITH A PLAN—CHOOSING DESIGNS THAT FIT, FLOW, AND FINISH THE QUILT WITH PURPOSE. PRACTICAL TOOLS TO MAKE YOUR BORDERS FEEL INTENTIONAL, NOT LIKE AN AFTERTHOUGHT.

*LECTURE OR WORKSHOP*

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## ***MAKE YOUR FEATHERS MOVE***

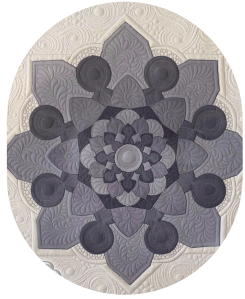
STOP STITCHING FEATHERS... START BRINGING THEM TO LIFE. LEARN HOW TO CREATE FLOWING, FREE-FORM FEATHERS THAT MOVE ACROSS THE QUILT WITH EASE. EXPLORE HOW TO STRETCH, CURVE, AND ADAPT FEATHERS TO FIT ANY SPACE. PERFECT FOR QUILTERS READY TO MOVE BEYOND STIFF FEATHERS AND CREATE DESIGNS WITH RHYTHM AND FLOW.

*LECTURE OR WORKSHOP*

This is a sampling of available workshops. A full class menu is available upon request, and custom workshops can be tailored to meet your guild's needs.

POPULAR

# CREATIVE WORKSHOPS



## MAGIC MANDALAS

DESIGN YOUR OWN MANDALA-INSPIRED QUILT USING KAREN'S MAGIC MANDALAS™ STENCIL SYSTEM. CREATE A MARKED WHOLECLOTH OR USE THE SHAPES TO BUILD RAW-EDGE FUSIBLE APPLIQUÉ DESIGNS. LEARN HOW TO ARRANGE, LAYER, AND ADAPT SIMPLE SHAPES INTO INTRICATE DESIGNS. LEAVE WITH A CUSTOM DESIGN READY TO BRING TO LIFE.

*HALF (WHOLECLOTH) OR FULL DAY (APPLIQUE) WORKSHOP*

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## THE CREATIVE PROCESS

LEARN HOW TO DESIGN YOUR OWN QUILT—NO DRAWING SKILLS REQUIRED. STARTING WITH A BLANK PAGE, YOU'LL CREATE AN ORIGINAL DESIGN THAT CAN BE USED TO CREATE AN APPLIQUÉ OR WHOLECLOTH QUILT. INCLUDES GUIDANCE ON TAKING YOUR DESIGN FROM PAPER TO FABRIC. PERFECT FOR QUILTERS READY TO EXPLORE THEIR CREATIVITY AND TRY SOMETHING NEW.

*HALF DAY WORKSHOP*

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## INKEDOODLE: FEATHER

RELAX AND BUILD DOODLING CONFIDENCE. YOU'LL LEARN DOODLING TECHNIQUES WHILE CREATING A BOLD FEATHER ONE PLUME AT A TIME. EXPLORE DESIGNS AND SPACING—NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED. FRAME IT, QUILT IT, OR APPLIQUÉ IT WHEN YOU'RE DONE.

*HALF DAY WORKSHOP*

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## VIRTUAL TRUNK SHOW

ENJOY A VIRTUAL PRESENTATION OF KAREN'S QUILTS, FEATURING FULL IMAGES AND DETAILED CLOSE-UPS. SHE SHARES THE STORIES, DESIGN CHOICES, AND QUILTING DECISIONS BEHIND EACH PIECE—OFFERING INSPIRATION AND INSIGHT YOU CAN APPLY TO YOUR OWN WORK. A PERFECT BLEND OF CREATIVITY, EDUCATION, AND "AHA" MOMENTS.

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