

Scrubgrass Stitcher's Quilt Guild

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Saturday, May 17, 2025 or
Sunday, May 18, 2025

Class Overview



This **in person** class will run from 9 am to pm. Cost is \$80 for guild members or \$90 for non-guild members. Class size is limited to 12 per class with 2 classes being offered.



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About Nancy Hershberger

I am a fiber artist in rural Pennsylvania. My art quilts look like paintings, and they do contain a little ink and paint, but they are first and foremost quilts. They are made of commercial and hand dyed fabric that has been layered onto batting and backing then stitched, much like those of our grandmothers. Having grown up around traditional quilts, I realized that I couldn't create the visions I had using patterns and straight lines. To showcase the structure of plants on a riverbank or floating in still water, I needed a new technique. With the help of a few key teachers, I found my voice and realized my vision.

I draw most of my inspiration from our national parks. In 2018 I was selected for an artist residency at Manassas National Battlefield Park. The experience taught me many things, one of which is that the park's present is just as important as its past. Part of that present is the health of the natural environment. Many dedicated staff and volunteers work tirelessly to attain it. As an artist observing and interpreting the beauty of the park, their work is not only evident but admired.

My most ambitious project so far has been my "Water Dance" series, inspired by the riparian environment. This series originated in 2019 during my residency at Great Smoky Mountains National Park. I had been exploring the banks of the Oconaluftee River and was drawn in. It was truly inspiring. The water's edge continues to be a focus in my work. From the small ponds on our farm to the Merced River at Yosemite, there is something special about this environment.

Supplies to be purchased

- Misty Fuse - 3 yard pieces available for purchase at April meeting. **You will need to prep your fabrics ahead of the class.** We won't have time to do it in class.

- *Tsukineko Inks. 1 bottle #82 real black, 1 bottle #80 White. Available for purchase in class.



Supplies You Bring

- Your inspiration photo
- 8 ½ x 11" plain paper color copy of your photo
- Assortment of fabrics in colors of your photo, fat quarters and fat eighths. No small scraps. **Apply Misty Fuse before class** following package directions.
- Piece of cotton or silk low loft batting slightly larger than a fat quarter.
- Small iron and extension cord
- Heat proof ironing surface, fat quarter size. You can make one using 3 layers of cardboard covered with 2 layers of cotton batting.
- Scissors and rotary cutter for fabrics and a small cutting mat.
- 6 x 24" ruler, and/or 4 x 14" ruler
- Fine point Sharpie, grey or silver
- Fine point black Sharpie
- Bag lunch



Other

- **Cost is \$80 for guild members or \$90 for non-guild members.** Class size is limited to 12 people per class so register quickly and send in your money to ensure your seat.
- Pop and bottled water are available for purchase all day long.
- **Monday, May 19th at the guild meeting there will be a free trunk show.**

***Registration Deadline 4/1/2025 for guild members.
Email gretchen.kralj@gmail.com for a registration form***