

Black Hills Quilters Guild Presents

Quilting in the Hills

October 7-10, 2021

Join us this fall for our annual retreat. We're back at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, conveniently located near Rapid City in the beautiful Black Hills of South Dakota. The fun begins Thursday, with 3 days of classes and SOYO. The weekend promises lots of opportunities to learn new quilting techniques, make new friends, and relax in the pine-scented fresh air of the Hills.

The Terra Sancta Retreat Center, formerly St. Martin's Monastery, is a retreat center with a variety of classrooms, state-of-the-art equipment and hotel-style lodging rooms. Terra Sancta is owned and managed by the Diocese of Rapid City. Visit their website at: <http://terrasancta.org/retreat-center>.

Meet the Instructor!

CYNTHIA ENGLAND, England Design Studios

Cynthia, a native Houstonian and graduate of the Art Institute of Houston, is an international fiber artist, pattern designer and author. Experimentation with quilting techniques led her to develop her own unique style and technique called "Picture Piecing." Many quilters assume it is just another name for paper piecing or foundation piecing, but Cynthia's approach is much more! While similar to these techniques in that it uses paper and straight seams, Picture Piecing has several differences, allowing quilters to achieve detailed imagery more efficiently, with less frustration and fabric waste.

Picture Piecing looks like paper piecing, but it's not! What's different?

1. No paper to pick out
2. No fabric waste – cut out exactly what you need
3. What you see is what you get!
4. Can reuse the pattern
5. Use a regular stitch length
6. You can "chain stitch" in larger sections
7. You can *CHEAT!*

Cynthia's quilts have been honored with many awards, including three Best of Shows at the prestigious International Quilt Association, as well as Viewer's Choice at the American Quilter's Society. Her quilt, *Piece and Quiet*, was distinguished as one of the Hundred Best Quilts of the 20th Century. Cynthia teaches nationally and internationally, and has shared her techniques at quilting events in South Africa, Taiwan, Japan, South Korea, Germany, Canada, Australia, Spain, and Mexico. In addition, she is the designer and owner of England Design Studios, the publishing / pattern company that specializes in the Picture Piecing technique. She has designed over 70 patterns that use her technique and written two books explaining the process. Visit her website at: www.EnglandDesign.com

Workshop Descriptions

Thursday, October 7

“Dragonflies” Cynthia England

This is a great introduction to Picture Piecing. These colorful dragonflies are easy to make! In this class Cynthia will guide you through the process. No tracing, no picking out any paper, just straight line sewing. Cheating is encouraged! Material fee is \$26 and includes the pattern and all fabric for the top, complete with borders and binding. This fee is payable in class: cash preferred; check or MasterCard/Visa accepted.

Friday, October 8

“Picture Piecing – Creating Realistic Pieced Pictures” Cynthia England

This is a great beginner and intermediate class! Choose from Howloweenie (beginner), Smoky Mountains (intermediate), or Bluebonnet (intermediate). All are perfect to learn the Picture Piecing technique. These are not foundation pieced; the technique is sewn with straight seams and is such a fun and forgiving process. No paper to pick out, no fabric waste, uses a regular stitch length, pattern is reusable and you can CHEAT! Material fee is \$37 for Howloweenie or Smoky Mountains, and \$44 for Bluebonnet. This includes the pattern and all fabric for the top, including borders and binding. This fee is payable in class: cash preferred; check or MasterCard/Visa accepted.

Saturday, October 9

“Picture Piecing Design” Cynthia England

This class teaches how to break up a design so it can be sewn using the Picture Piecing technique. You will work with designs that start out simple and gradually become more difficult. The goal is to make you more comfortable designing your own wall hanging. Later in the day you may work on your own drawing if you choose. Information on how to choose a design is included in the supply list. The material fee is \$15, and includes all design supplies needed to work on the provided designs. This fee is payable in class: cash preferred; check or MasterCard/Visa accepted. There is a list of supplies to bring if you choose to work on your own line drawing in the afternoon.

*Please note: You must register for Thursday’s or Friday’s Picture Piecing workshop in order to register for the design workshop. In the piecing workshop, you will learn the technique, which will allow you to be able to use that information to design your own Picture Piecing project.

SOYO (sew-on-your-own) is offered on Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Evening Programs

Game Night (Friday) and Show and Tell (Saturday) will begin shortly after dinner. There is no charge to attend if you are registered for a workshop or SOYO. There is a \$5 fee for those not attending either a workshop or SOYO.

LODGING

All room reservations will be made directly through Terra Sancta Retreat Center. They can be reached by phone at (605) 716-0925 or online at <https://tsrc.wufoo.com/forms/bh-quilters-guild-fall-retreat/>.

Sleeping accommodations are Family Style rooms. Each Family Style room has two queen-size beds and a private bath (similar to a hotel room) and can accommodate up to four guests. Linens and towels are provided in all rooms. If you need an ADA-accessible room, please let Terra Sancta know when you contact them.

Family Style rooms are available for a three-night stay at \$270.76, or \$100.28 per room per night.

PLEASE NOTE: Alcohol and other controlled substances are prohibited at the retreat center.

Quilting in the Hills Schedule of Events

Thursday, October 7

10:30 am	Check-In Begins
10:30 am	SOYO begins
1:30 pm	Classroom opens for set up
2:00 pm	<i>Dragonflies</i> Workshop
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:15 pm	Workshop resumes
8:00 pm	Classroom closes

Friday, October 8, and Saturday, October 9

8:00 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Classrooms open for set up
9:00 am	Workshop begins, <i>Picture Piecing</i> (Friday), <i>Design</i> (Saturday)
Noon	Lunch
1:30 pm	Workshop resumes
5:45 pm	Classroom closes
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Game Night (Friday), Show and Tell (Saturday)

Sunday, October 10

8:00 am	Breakfast
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Registration is open to members only until Jul 15, 2021, and is on a first come basis. Your membership dues **must be paid at time of registration** or your name will not be added to your requested workshop.

RETREAT REFUND POLICY

Cancellations before July 31, 2021, will receive a 50% refund on workshops.

Cancellations between July 31, 2021, and August 31, 2021, will receive a 25% refund on workshops.

The registration fee is non-refundable. There are no refunds after August 31, 2021.

Registration deadline is Tuesday, September 21, 2021

Quilting in the Hills 2022
October 6 - 9, 2022

Black Hills Quilt Show
June 2, 3 & 4, 2022

The Black Hills Quilters Guild show will be June 2 - 4, 2022, at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in downtown Rapid City. For details about the Black Hills Quilters Guild or the show, please check our website: www.bhqilters.org