



# Amador Rose

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## November Speaker/Teacher: Alexandra "Sondra" Von Burg



### Lecture: Telling Stories Workshop: Free Form Piecing

Sondra grew up in New York City, the imaginative child of European immigrants. Every summer, she was sent to stay with relatives abroad spending her time immersed in the historical landscapes of France, Hungary, Italy and Switzerland. Her surroundings gave life to the stories she read from Cinderella to The Three Musketeers. It is no wonder that after Art school she gravitated to the Fairy Tale imagery that still inspires her work. Today Sondra visits castles in Europe and museums in New York, preferring the 16th and 17th century paintings in the Louvre and the Met in NYC. She enjoys historical fiction and non-fiction for entertainment and inspiration - anything at all so long as it tells a good story.

#### NEXT MEETING:

**Saturday Nov 11, 2017**  
**1:30 pm – 4 pm**  
**Pleasanton Middle School**  
5001 Case Ave.  
Pleasanton, CA

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#### Don't Forget:

- **Your Name Tag!**
- **Quilts to share**

#### Upcoming Speakers

- January – Jenifer Dick
- March – Peggy Martin
- April – Christine Barnes

## President's Message

Another wonderful volunteer has stepped forward! My thanks to Mary Ann Soby, who has agreed to chair the Silent Auction. She will have more details about the event for you after the first of the year.

Congratulations to all our members who showed work at PIQF. Gretchen Crozier had a special exhibit of her quilts, Maya Mathavan and Di Lovitt had quilts accepted in the show, and Linda Schmidt's Mont St. Michel Memories won the blue ribbon for Best Innovative Pictorial quilt.

We are still looking for Quilt Show and Opportunity Quilt chairs. Please contact me if you have any interest.

Remember that the See's candy fundraising forms (and money) are due at the November meeting. Also, the November meeting is your last chance to buy a ticket for the Christmas quilt as it will be awarded to a lucky winner that day.

*Make quilts - make art - make magic! Lani Longshore*

Kudos to Joanne Lenigan who was deployed to the fires in the Napa area with the state veterinary emergency response corps. She has been kept busy working the clinic and with the horses at the Fairgrounds.



## Workshops 2017-2018

All workshops are held at the Bothwell Arts Center,  
2466 8th Street, Livermore. Class time is 10am – 4pm.

**Our next workshop is Free Form Piecing with Sondra Von Burg November 12th.**



“Free Form Piecing” Free form piecing is a no-template method of making unique multiple blocks that will fit together for a whole quilt. A great way to feature scraps and favorite novelties.

Remember your quilt will not look like this –this is just a sample

## January 14th Jenifer Dick – Exploding 9 patch



Jenifer offers tips, hints and alternate techniques while teaching you how to make this four-block sampler quilt. Participants are guaranteed to learn something new and have fun stitching this stunning optical illusion quilt! This top will be completed in class.



## March 11th Peggy Martin Jelly Roll Jive:

Dig out that Jelly Roll that perhaps you purchased on a whim and now you have the perfect way to use it with Jelly Roll Jive – These simple, fast strip-pieced blocks make a contemporary positive-negative design. Use busy prints for a softer look, or solids for more graphic impact.



## April 15th Christine Barnes - Luminosity

This dazzling special effect is surprisingly easy to achieve, once you understand a few simple concepts: When you surround a relatively small area of warm, intense color with a larger area of cooler, less-intense, darker color, your quilt will appear to glow, as if light and warmth are coming from behind.

We begin with a crash course in color, followed by evaluation of your fabrics to ensure success. Then you'll begin cutting and piecing your blocks. Along the way, I'll have lots of tips for making the process easier and more accurate. I'll also go over how to cut and attach the "spinning" borders.



On the website you will see the speaker and class topic and even the supply list. Classes currently are \$50 and you may pay by cash, check or credit card.

Go to our website [www.amadorvalleyquilter.org/programs/workshops](http://www.amadorvalleyquilter.org/programs/workshops)

To sign up: stop by the Workshop Table or contact Audrey Hutchinson, Workshop Chair.

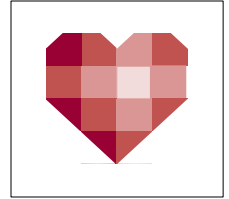
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## Block of the Month

We have a cute and easy heart block for November. Since there are no BOM activities at the December meeting, these blocks are due back in January; in time to create something special for Valentine's Day.



~ Maya Madhavan and Kathy Proctor, BOM Co-Chairs

## Holiday Tea

The annual Holiday Tea will be held on **December 9th, 10:00 am to noon**. Please note the time correction from last month's newsletter. The tea will be held at the elementary school auditorium right next door to our monthly meeting. Community Quilts will have speakers from the community that receives AVQ's Community Quilts and a quilt parade. Bring a pot luck item to share, the Guild will provide the beverages. Hope to see you there.

~ Inta Faulk- Hospitality

## Ways & Means Committee

- Christmas Quilt. This month is your last chance to buy tickets for the beautiful Christmas quilt donated by the family of Marnie Geesey. The lucky ticket will be drawn at the end of the meeting and someone will be going home with a warm snuggly quilt!
- See's Candy. Order forms for See's Candy were handed out at the October meeting and through email. All you do is ask friends and family for orders, fill out the order form, collect the money (checks need to be made out to AVQ) and return the form and money to us at the November meeting. Look for our sign at the table. The candy will be delivered to Susan Del Boccio and she will email you when the candy comes in with instructions for pick up.
- AmazonSmile. Now you can make every one of your Amazon orders profit AVQ. Just enter AmazonSmile.com in your browser. You will be prompted to choose a charity. Scroll down until you find us. There are a lot of charities that start with Amador, just keep scrolling. We will get .5% of every sale. It doesn't sound like much but it adds up!

If you need help with any of the above, just contact me. Sandi Fisher

~Laurlee Fry and SandiFisher

## Travel

Welcome to the "Travel Team", Chelle Watkins and Kathy Ramos. So exciting we have 16 people signed up!

Sign-Up for the bus trip to "Rhapsody in Red" continues at the November meeting, if you cannot attend the meeting please send me an e-mail to get your name on the list.

**DATE:** Sunday, March 11, 2018  
**DESTINATION:** The Valley Quilt Show" 35<sup>th</sup> Annual  
 Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds  
 441 Franklin Avenue  
 Yuba City

**COST:** Quilt Show \$7.00  
 Lunch  
 Small Bus \$40.00 (26 people)  
 Large Bus \$45.00

Don't miss out! 24 vendors, great food court with lots of red and white to see. Still room on the "Travel Team". Please send me an e-mail at [ellengonsel@gmail.com](mailto:ellengonsel@gmail.com)

~ Ellen Gonsalves



## Community Quilts

**Wanted: Mid and Long Armers to quilt some community Quilts.** CQ has several quilts kits that need to be quilted. Please stop by the Community Quilts table to pick up a kit to quilt. Our kits include a quilt top, batting, backing, fabric for the binding and a label. The kits various sizes - baby to adult and the dimensions of the quilt are shown on the front of the kit so you know what you are taking. There is no deadline for returning the completed project.

We received **39** quilts in October. Community Quilts will accept quilt tops at this time. In addition, Community Quilts will accept quilt tops and backs. Be sure that your backing is at least 8-10 inches bigger than the quilt top.

Community Quilts needs to receive 150 quilts by November in order to be able to distribute 400-500 quilts for various agencies in December! Community Quilts is in need of completed quilts for Adult Males and Females, Teen Male and Female, Child Male and Female.

Please return all quilts that you took to add labels and/or binding at the November meeting. These quilts are needed for the December distribution. Thank you.

Special thank you to James Kervin for donating his late wife's quilting fabric – three big bins worth!!!

Just a reminder, if you plan to make a quilt for Community Quilts has labels for quilts please stop by Community Quilts and pick up labels, also the Guild will provide you with batting. Please contact one of our members listed below to make arrangements to get the batting you need.

**Pat Hove – Castro Valley**  
**Audrey Hutchinson – Dublin**

**Judy Peterson – Pleasanton**  
**Diane Escobar – Pleasanton**

*~Donna Fay Bower, Community Quilts Chair*

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## Donna Driver, PIQF and AVQ

AVQ members sparkled at the Pacific International Quilt Festival (PIQF). Gretchen Crozier had a special exhibit of her challenge-inspired quilts. Di Lovitt, Maya Madhavan, and Linda Schmidt each had works chosen for the exhibit. Linda's quilt, Mont St. Michel Memories, won Best Innovative Pictorial Quilt. Congratulations to all, but most of all congratulations and thanks to Donna Driver.

Donna has worked behind the scenes at PIQF for 26 years. She has coordinated volunteers from AVQ for most of that time, which is why AVQ gets a prime spot to show our opportunity quilt. This year, the volunteers who helped with dressing the mannequins and the fashion show are: Carole Annas, Jeanne Brophy, Marie DiNicola, Meta Hodson, Joy Lindstrom, Karen Loughrige, Karen Parker, Linda Perricone, Mary Ann Soby, and Elizabeth Taylor. Thanks to everyone who helped!

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## Quilt Show and Opportunity Quilt

Two vital positions remain open on the AVQ board, that of Quilt Show Chair and Opportunity Quilt chair. The guild has traditionally relied on profits from the show and the opportunity quilt to fund our speakers and other expenses. We are investigating other fundraising opportunities, but none of them have the potential to showcase AVQ's creative work like the quilt show and the opportunity quilt. If you would like to see these traditions continue, please contact Lani Longshore.



## Quilts of Valor



We had a fun packed month - starting with our table at the Alviso Adobe in Pleasanton Harvest Festival. Vicky Shore, Joanne Lenigan, Michelle Massey and Audrey Hutchinson were busy sewing quilts and explaining how a quilt top is made and where the quilt will go.

Our next activity was at Alden Lane.

We presented two Quilts of Valor to Rachel McLaughlin and her husband Sean McLaughlin. They are both US Air Force vets. Rachel received a quilt made by Susan Benson's group and Sean's quilt was made by Lynette Perkins.



The next evening Audrey & Marilyn Steichen went to Rossmore and presented Timothy Bates a Navy veteran with a quilt made by B.J. Meier.

Our last presentation Jeanne Brophy and Audrey went to Fairfield and presented quilts to two US Army Veterans - a brother and sister, Michael Entzel and Heather Entzel. Both quilts were made by Audrey Hutchinson.



We welcome everyone to come join us on Mondays at the VFW Hall, 522 L Street Livermore. We are there from 10:30 – 4pm and we have kits available for you, or you may decide to use a pattern and fabric we have available for you. Rookie Days are the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday which is an opportunity for you to bring along a neophyte and we will have a tutor ready to help them at every step of the process. We love enlarging the group and want to make everyone feel very welcome.

Quilts of Valor has an entry in the Pleasanton Veterans Day parade on Sunday 5th November. We represent Amador Valley Quilters and invite you to join us as we show our support for veterans and give our guild exposure. The parade is about 4 blocks long and lots of folks come out to watch.

We meet at the Bank of America parking lot behind Main Street at 11:30-noon. The Parade starts at 1pm. Immediately following the parade we will present the parade marshal with a Quilt of valor at the VFW Hall, Main Street, Pleasanton.

*~ Audrey Hutchinson, Quilts of Valor Chair*

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## **Ann May – Quilt**

On display at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, from Oct 3 through Dec 4, 2017

Works of local artists are on display in the Center's lobby on a rotating basis. Works of art available for sale may be purchased through the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Office Wednesday – Saturday from noon to 6 pm.

Exhibit Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday from noon to 1pm and one hour prior to every public performance.

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## **Membership**

AVQ's membership drive is complete and there are now 266 members in our wonderful guild. You can pick up your new badges and directories at the monthly meeting. If you paid to have your directory mailed, they will be in the mail this week. If you haven't renewed but still want to, simply fill out the online [Membership Form](#). Payment can be made by cash, check or credit card.

*~ Chris Sagan, Membership Chair*

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For Sale: Pfaff sewing machine feet. Complete feet set and all specialty accessories. Contact Mary Ann Soby for photos and pricing.

The family of former member Bev Psenak would like to pass on some quilting furniture to a good home. There is a king-size quilting frame, a small sewing machine table, and a large corner sewing center. Please contact Sarah Ramos.

**AVQ Board Members** June 2017-May 2018

<b>ROLE</b>	<b>NAME</b>
President	Lani Longshore
Co-Vice Presidents	Carole Annas & Karen Loughrige
Secretary	Pat Elam
Treasurer	Becky Callahan
Block of the Month	Maya Madhavan & Kathy Proctor
Community Quilts	Donna Fay Bower
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Library	Maureen Hall
Membership	Chris Sagan
Newsletter	Amy Sams
<b>Opportunity Quilt 2018</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Parliamentarian	Victoria Shore
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Program 2	Sue Stephenson
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<b>Quilt Show 2019</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Quilts Of Valor & Rookie Quilts	Audrey Hutchinson
<b>Retreat</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Travel	Ellen Gonsalves
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Welcoming	Helen Rydbeck
Workshops	Audrey Hutchinson, MaryAnn Soby

**AVQ Committee Members**

<b>ROLE</b>	<b>NAME</b>
AVQ's Representative to NCQC	Jeanne Brophy
Budding Beginners	Sue Green, Renee Haynes
Fair Coordinator	Jeanne Brophy
Silent Auction (May 2018)	Mary Ann Soby
Ways and Means	Sandi Fisher

**AVQ Web Links**

AVQ's website: [www.amadorvalleyquilters.org](http://www.amadorvalleyquilters.org)

Facebook page for guild members: [Amador Valley Quilters](#)

To look at the library's book list sorted by title, author, or subject, visit: [AVQ Library List](#)





## November 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 10am Cut-ups  7:30pm Progressives	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 10:30am-4:00pm Quiltinators & QOV (Livermore VFW)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10 am-12pm Threadheads  6:30 pm Valley Girls	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>1:30 pm</b> <b>AVQ Meeting</b>
<b>12</b> <b>10 am</b> <b>AVQ Workshop</b>	<b>13</b> 10:30am-4:00pm Quilts of Valor (Livermore VFW)	<b>14</b> 10am Over the Hill  <b>6:30pm AVQ Board Mtg</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10am Out-of- the Boxers  10am Scrap Happy Traders	<b>17</b> 10am Sew'n'Sews	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 10:30am-4:00pm Quiltinators & QOV (Livermore VFW)  <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>  6:30pm Modern Quilt Group	<b>23</b>  6:30pm Bag People	<b>24</b>	<b>225</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 10:30am-4:00pm Quilts of Valor	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 10 am-12 pm Handmaidens	<b>30</b>	<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>2</b>

QOV = Quilts of Valor

Livermore VFW = Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L St, Livermore, CA 94550

Dublin Library - Community Room, 200 Civic Plaza. Dublin, Ca 94568

For more information on the FRIENDSHIP GROUPS listed above, click here: [AVQ Calendar online.](#)

## Quilt Shows (QS) and Activities in the Area & Beyond

**Tuleburg Quilt Guild's biannual show, "The Odyssey of Quilting"**

San Joaquin County Fair Grounds, Building 2

Saturday November 11 from 10AM to 4 PM and Sunday, November 12 from 10 AM to 3:30PM.



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