

The Cactus Needle Newsletter

Cactus Quilt Shop

“Everything for the Quilter Plus Treasures”

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Hours: Monday-Friday 9:30-5:00, Sat. 9:30-4:30

Closed Sundays and Most Holidays

Summer Hours: Between Memorial and Labor Day,

Close at 4:00pm, Monday-Saturday

www.cactusquiltshop.com

Feb, Mar, Apr, and May 2012



Nancy's Birthday Sale

Fri. March 16, 9:30am-5:00pm

Saturday, March 17, 9:30am-4:30pm

Fabric and Patterns: 25% Off!

The Southern Arizona Quilt Shop Association Presents:

A Shop Hop:

“ Rounding Up One Hundred Years “

Saturday, March 24- Saturday, March 31

All Shops Open Sunday March 25, Noon-4pm

Benson, Casa Grande, Green Valley, Sahuarita, Sierra Vista, and Tucson



Cactus Quilt Shop's Quilting Classes



The New PDQ– Nancy Landon

Learn to machine piece a quilt “Pretty Darn Quick” creating a row quilt of sampler blocks. This 6-week class covers all the basics including rotary cutting and speed techniques. Required book discounted, first day of class.

Fee: \$70 for six 2-hour sessions.

Tues. Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 6, 20, 27, and Apr. 3, 1-3pm, or Sat. Apr. 14, 21, 28, and May 12, 19, 26, 10-12am

Appliqué for Dummies– Nancy Landon

Have you been intimidated by appliqué? Worry no longer. You'll learn fusible appliqué & hand blanket stitch, as well as Nancy's favorite *odd technique*.

The project is a small potted cactus wall hanging. Fee: \$25 for one 3-hour session. Fri. Feb 17, 1-4pm, or Wed. Mar. 14, 1-4pm, or Wed. Apr. 18, 1-4pm

Hand Quilting– David Landon

David would be pleased to teach you the basics of traditional hand quilting . This class will cover marking, basting, & the hand quilt stitch. A graduation project quilt kit is included in the class fee of \$35 for two 2-hour sessions.

Mon. Mar. 5, 12, 1-3 pm, or
Fri. Apr. 6, 20, 10-12am

Machine Quilting– Nubin Jensen

In this 2-part class, Nubin will show you simple straight and free motion quilting so you can finish all those “UFOs” (Un-Finished Objects) you've been saving. You must be able to drop or cover your machine's “feed dogs.” Required book discounted on first day of class. Fee: \$30 for two 2-hour sessions.

Tues. Mar. 6, 20, 10-12am, or
Thurs. Mar 22, 29, 10-12am, or
Wed. Apr. 25, May 2, 10-12am.




Paper Piecing 101– Nancy Landon


Let's take the mystery out of paper piecing! Nancy will share her techniques for ruler-free foundation piecing and you'll make the first of your set of cactus coasters. Fee: \$20 for one 2-hour session.


Sat. Feb. 18. 1-3pm, or
Wed. Mar. 7, 10-12am, or
Fri. Apr 20, 1-3pm



Cactus Quilt Shop Class Codes

 Beginner. No quilt experience required.

 Confident Beginner. Easy class. Basic quilting experience is required. Must know rotary cutting.

 Intermediate & Beyond. When you're ready for a challenge.

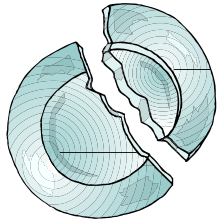
If you are not sure about a class or your skill, please talk to a Cactus Quilt Shop staff person.



More Cactus Quilt Shop's Quilting Classes



NEW! Classy Baby Broken Dishes- David Landon



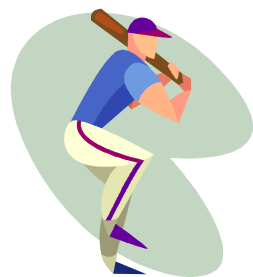
The traditional block, "Broken Dishes" has been updated and made "BEautiful" with Batiks. David will show you how to make

quarter square triangles using 5-inch squares. If you use our "Tonga Treats," (pre-cut 5" squares), the hard part is already done!! Class fee is \$25 for one 3-hour session.

Wed. Mar. 21, 1-4pm, or Mon. Apr 16, 10-2pm



NEW! Batter's Up-Kathy Harris



Just in time for Spring Training! This quilt is guaranteed to hit a home run for that baseball lover in your life.

Learn how to do curved

seams the very easy way using "Elisa's Back Porch Designs" 7 inch templates to create this fun throw. This class requires purchase of the template at 10% off. Class fee of \$25 includes pattern and two 2-hour sessions.

Thurs. Feb. 23, 10am-2pm, or
Fri. Mar. 30, 10am-2pm.



NEW! Spinning Stars- Kathy Harris

Have a pack or two of "Bali Pops", "Jelly Rolls", or "Tonga Treats" and just don't know what to do with them? Kathy has found a fast easy way to make a beautiful quilt with a spinning star design that is sure to please anyone. \$25 fee includes pattern and two 2-hour sessions.

Thurs. Mar. 1, 8, 10-12am, or
Mon. Apr. 30, and May 7, 1-3pm



NEW! Springtime Snowballs- Nancy Landon

This is another version of the "Baby and Me" quilt. Nancy fell in love with the "Shy Little Kitten" fabric and not only made a baby quilt out of it, but one for herself as well. This is an easy, quick project and would be great out of any fabric. 25\$ fee includes pattern and one 6-hour class session.

Wed. Apr. 11, 10am-4pm or,
Tues May 22, 10am-4pm.

Basic Class Sewing Supplies *

Rotary Cutter/Mat	Ruler (s)
Fabric & Paper Scissors	Needles & Thread
Pins	Thimble
Seam Ripper	Bobbins
Sewing Machine/Manual	Pencil/Paper

* These supplies should always be brought to class in addition to the specified supplies on class list.



Fun Classes from Cactus Quilt Shop



Machine Appliqué- Penny Allen

If you love the look of hand appliqué but don't have the time, let your machine do all the work, while you make up one of Lori Smith's little appliqué quilts. Penny will share her quick tips for very professional looking results. Required pattern discounted on first day of class. Fee: \$35 for two 2-hour sessions. Sat. Feb. 25, Mar. 3, 1-3:30pm, or Sat. Apr. 21, 28, 1-3:30pm



Bitty Boots- Nancy Landon

These little boots are not just adorable, they're quick and easy to sew too! Makes a wonderful baby quilt or a small throw. Pattern is included in the class fee of \$25 for one 6-hour session. Wed. Feb. 29, 10-4pm, or, Tues. May 15, 10-4pm



Finishing School- Nancy Landon

You've successfully completed that beautiful quilt top, sandwiched and quilted it. Now for the final step. Master double fold binding and mitered corners. Fee: \$20 for one 2-hour session. . Sat. Feb 25, 10-12am, or Wed. Mar. 28, 1-3pm, or Fri. May 11, 1-3pm



Needle Turn Appliqué- With Nancy Landon

Whether you are a beginner or just want to share some appliqué time and improve your skills, this class is for you. We will explore traditional techniques and cover curves, points, leaves, bias strips, and circles. Nancy will have several designs for you to choose from for the perfect project. \$25 fee includes two 2-hour classes.

Web, Feb. 15, 22, 1-3pm or Tues. Apr. 24, and May 1, 1-3pm



Encore! Palo Verde Spring- Nancy Landon

If you're ready for a challenge, this Bargello quilt is the perfect project. Bargello is easier than it looks. Surround the quilt with fields of wildflowers in appliqué, and you'll have a "Palo Verde Spring." Required pattern discounted at class. Fee of \$35 includes two 2-hour sessions and one 6-hour session.

Fri. Feb. 24, 1-3pm, Mar. 2, 10-4pm, and Mar. 9, 1-3pm, or, Tues. Apr. 3, 10-12am, Apr. 17, 10am-4pm, and May 1, 10-12am



Rotary Cutting Info

Most of our classes require rotary cutter use. Please be sure you are experienced in their use.



Brenda's Embroidery Club- Brenda Riddle

Brenda's Embroidery Club is expanding hours!! If you love to embroider, join Brenda the second Tuesday of each month at 10am. We can order lunch in. Come anytime and stay as long as you like. Bring your current project or work on special little delights designed by Brenda herself. Fee: \$5 per session



Oldies but Goodies BOM- "Folk Art Baskets a la 1800"- Nancy Landon

It's back to the 1800s for this new project Nancy has recreated from a photo in a quilt magazine. The original quilt was made in 1801 and is very "brown." Nancy did her best to keep the fabrics in her reproduction true to the era, but her's is definitely more green than brown!! (Nice Try) "Baskets" BOM will begin in March and will run approximately one year, maybe a bit longer. First Saturday of the month. Fee of \$50 includes block patterns.

Baltimore Ladies of Tucson- Nancy Landon

If you love the look of historical Baltimore style appliqué, you'll love this opportunity to share time to stitch and chat. Bring your current project. We will meet the 2nd Friday of each month, starting at 10:00. There is no fee for this group.



NEW!

Almost Always Appliquéing (AAA)- (Like Nancy)

If you can't get enough needle time here's another opportunity to get together with other quilters for a morning of stitching. Bring your appliqué project and we'll sew. If you want guidance we'll talk too! No fee for this social gathering. We'll meet the 4th Friday morning of each month at 10:00am.



February 2012

Cactus Quilt Shop

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Closed Sundays			1	2 	3	4 Oldies 10am
5	6	7	8	9	10 Baltimore Ladies 10am	11
12	13 	14 Brenda's Embroidery 10am	15 QFOs 9:30 Needle Turn 1-3pm	16	17 Appliqué For Dummies 1-4pm	18 Paper Piecing 1-3pm
19	20 	21 PDQ 1-3pm	22 Needle Turn 1-3pm	23 Batters Up 10-2pm	24 AAA 10am Palo Verde Spring 1-3pm	25 Finishing School 10-12am Appliqué 1-3:30
26	27 Featherweight MX 1-3pm	28 PDQ 1-3pm	29 Bitty Boots 10-4pm			

March 2012

Cactus Quilt Shop

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Closed (almost all) Sundays				1 Spinning Stars 10-12am	2 Palo Verde Spring 10-4pm	3 Oldies 10am Machine Appliqué 1-3:30
4 Sunday Sew-In 12-8pm	5 Hand Quilt 1-3	6 Machine Quilt 10-12 PDQ 1-3pm	7 Paper Piecing 10-12	8 Spinning Stars 10-12am	9 Baltimore 10am Palo Verde 1-3	10
11	12 Hand Quilt 1-3	13 Embroidery Club 10am	14 Appliqué for Dummies 1-4	15 	Nancy's Birthday Sale, Fabric and Patterns 25% Off	
18 	19	20 Machine Quilt 10-12am PDQ 1-3	21 QFOs 9:30 Broken Dishes 1-4pm	22 Machine Quilt 10-12	23 Almost Always Appliqué-ing 10am	24 First Day of "SHOP-HOP" Drive Safely!
25 Open for SHOP-HOP 12-4pm	26	27 PDQ 1-3pm	28 Finishing School 1-3pm	29 Machine Quilting 10-12	30 Batter's Up 10am-2pm	31 Last Day of "SHOP-HOP"
Southern Arizona Quilt Shop Association Shop Hop, Casa Grande, to Sierra Vista						




April 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2	3 Palo Verde 10-12am PDQ 1-3pm	4	5	6 Hand Quilt 10-12am	7 Oldies 10am
8 	9	10 Brenda's Embroidery Club 10am	11 Springtime Snowballs 10-4	12	13 Baltimore Ladies 10am	14 PDQ 10-12am Featherweight Mx. 1-3pm
15 Closed Sundays	16 Broken Dishes 10am-2pm	17 Palo Verde 10-4pm	18 QFOs 9:30 Appliqué for Dummies 1-4	19	20 Hand Quilt 10-12am Paper Piecing 1-3pm	21 PDQ 10-12am Machine Appli- qué 1-3:30
22	23	24 Needle Turn Appliqué 1-3pm	25 Machine Quilt 10-12am	26	27 Almost Always Appli- quéing 10	28 PDQ 10-12 Mach. Appliqué 1-3:30
29	30 Spinning Stars 1-3pm					

May 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Closed Sundays		1 Palo Verde 10-12 Needle Turn 1-3pm	2 Machine Quilt 10-12	3	4 	5 Oldies
6	7 Spinning Stars 1-3pm	8 Brenda's Embroidery Club 10am	9	10	11 Baltimore 10am; Finishing School 1-3pm	12 PDQ 10-12am
13 	14	15 Bitty Boots 10am-4pm	16 QFOs	17	18	19 PDQ 10-12am
20 Sunday Sew-In 12-8pm	21	22 Springtime Snowballs 10-4	23	24	25 Almost Al- ways Appliqué- ing 10am	26 PDQ 10-12am
27 Closed Monday for Memorial Day	28 	29	30	31		
Begin Summer Hours: Close at 4:00pm Monday-Saturday						

Cactus Quilt Shop Class Policies

- Payment in full is required, not later than 7 days before class start date.
- Refunds or transfers approved only with seven (7) days advance notice, before class date. This will be strictly adhered to.
- If registration is below class minimum, class may be cancelled. Full refund/transfer issued.
- In consideration of the instructor & other students, please be on time for class, do not bring children or visitors, & limit use of cell phones. Please take emergency calls out of the classroom.
- A 10% discount will be given on class supplies. Required class patterns discounted 10% on first class day. Required books discounted 25% on first class day.



Nancy's Sunday Sew-Ins



Gather your friends, a favorite project (or two), and join Nancy for an all day sewing marathon. Please bring a treat to share. Nancy will provide a light supper and dessert, Fee: \$20. Sun. March 4, or May 20, Noon- 8:00pm



“Featherweight” Maintenance-David Landon

David will show you how to care for your “Singer Featherweight” machine yourself. This “get-your-hands-dirty” experience cost \$20 and includes all supplies, except your machine. Monday, Feb. 27, 1-3pm, or, Saturday, Apr. 14, 1-3pm



Congratulations!

14th Anniversary Sale Door Prize Winners:

14 Lucky Winners for 14 Years

**Lucy Ellen Brown, “Pepper” Coral, Doris Dieterle,
Linder Grider, Yvonne Guberesky, Carolyn Nichols,
Susie O’Haver, Susan Owara, Jane Porter, Judy Sago,
Cathy Schaver, Jackie Tanaka, Judy Tenen, Dee Wildero**