



Garden of Quilts

ASHTON GARDENS
by THANKSGIVING POINT & RILEY BLAKE DESIGNS

Trunk Shows & Lectures

September 12 - 14
at the Ashton Gardens

Trunk Shows & Lectures

Friday, Secret Garden

12:00 pm **Karen Ashton**
Karen's Favorite Quilts

Friday, Presentation Tent

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An Artist's Concept to Fabric

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Sew Kind of Wonderful
Curves on Curves Trunk Show

12:00 pm **Cindy Cloward, Owner,**
Riley Blake Designs
*Ten Years of Riley Blake Designs
and Going Strong!*

1:00 pm **Corey Kunde**
Children's Storybook Quilts

2:00 pm **Jo Packham, Editor,**
Where Women Create

3:00 pm **Ben Behunin, PotterBoy.com**
*How to Seduce a Sasquatch: 101
Ways to Jumpstart Your Creativity*

4:00 pm

Friday, Waterfall

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11:00 am **Gerri Robinson, Planted Seed Design**
*Take a Quilting Journey with Gerri
Robinson of Planted Seed Designs*

12:00 pm **Sue Daley, BusyFingers Patchwork**
A Road Less Travelled

1:00 pm **Gail Berry**
The History of Quilts

2:00 pm **Stacy West, Buttermilk Basin**
*Working with Wool, Cotton &
Fibers with Buttermilk Basin*

3:00 pm **Amy Ellis**
*Modern Heritage Quilts: Updating
Classics & More*

4:00 pm **Barbara McBride-Smith,**
Storyteller

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Batting: What's Inside Matters!

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My Take on a Trunk Show

11:00 am **Carmen Geddes,**
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Over the Edge Binding Techniques

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1:00 pm **Gail Berry**
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2:00 pm **Melissa Mortenson,**
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4:00 pm **Lori Holt, Bee in my Bonnet**
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FRIDAY

An Artist's Concept to Fabric

With Janet Wecker Frisch, Joy Studio | Presentation Tent

10:00 am

Illustrator J. Wecker Frisch explains her design process, and how she takes her art from concept to fabric in this trunk show and original art portfolio presentation.

Storyteller

With Donald Davis | Waterfall Amphitheater

10:00 am

Donald Davis was born in a Southern Appalachian mountain world rich in stories. While he heard many traditional stories about Jack and other heroic characters, he was most attracted to the stories of his own family and places of origin. Davis began retelling the stories he heard and then adding his own new stories to them until he was repeatedly asked to "tell it again, on purpose."

During his twenty-five year career as a United Methodist Minister, Davis began to use stories more and more. He was also asked to begin performing at festivals and in other settings until he retired from the church to tell stories full time.

Curves on Curves Trunk Show

With Jenny Pedigo & Helen Robinson, Sew Kind of Wonderful | Presentation Tent

11:00 am

We love curves and we would love everyone to join us in our love for curves. Not only do we love curves, we love EASY curves. We design all of our tools with the purpose of making quilting, especially curved quilting and piecing easier! We believe there is no curve too big or too small that YOU can't sew. No pinning, no finding the center – we simply cut, sew and square-up...EASY! Join us and fall in love with curves!

Take a Quilting Journey with Gerri Robinson of Planted Seed Designs

With Gerri Robinson, Planted Seed Design | Waterfall Amphitheater

11:00 am

Spend time with Gerri Robinson of Planted Seed Designs as she walks you through her quilts and shares the story and inspiration behind each. You'll learn all about De-Constructing a Quilt, MOD-ifying a Quilt, Re-Imaging a Quilt and so much more! You'll leave inspired to look at your quilts in a whole different manner.

Karen's Favorite Quilts

With Karen Ashton | Secret Garden

Noon

Come see some of Karen Ashton's favorite quilts at noon on Friday and Saturday in the Secret Garden at Garden of Quilts. Karen will share why this collection of quilts means so much to her. Some are her favorite creations and others are some of the most valuable and famous quilts of the last 100 years. Hear her stories of, "Why these quilts?" and "Why quilt?"

Ten Years of Riley Blake Designs and Going Strong!

With Cindy Cloward, Riley Blake Designs | Presentation Tent

Noon

Come celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Riley Blake Designs with beautiful quilts, stories and cake!

A Road Less Travelled

With Sue Daley, Pathwork with BusyFingers | Waterfall Amphitheater

Noon

Join and be inspired by internationally - known English Paper Piecing designer, Sue Daley, as she shares her quilts, designs and more.

Children's Storybook Quilts

With Corey Kunde | Presentation Tent

1:00 pm

This lecture will showcase more than 30 children's storybook quilts made to celebrate favorite stories both old and new. This collection of quilts includes fairy tales, nursery rhymes, classics, Golden Books, Eric Carle and many others. I will talk about how to find storybook fabrics and how to create your own original designs. I will also talk about how labels can continue the story on the back of the quilts. My collection of corresponding storybooks will accompany the quilts. A fun presentation for the kid in all of us.

The History of Quilts

With Gail Berry | Waterfall Amphitheater

1:00 pm

Quilts, old and new. Their history is vast yet familiar to us. We gain comfort, express joy, condolences and engage artistry by our works. We collect patterns, fabrics, friendships and stories as we create. We study old quilts and wonder who made them, what their lives were like. And we stitch our own history into the quilts we sew.

Gail Berry has been quilting since the 1900's (!) and has dozens of quilts, contemporary and antique. She will show many of her own collection and give a fascinating history of quilts; the beginnings, the evolution and the women who have made them. She'll talk about how our own works are building a history ahead of us that will speak to generations.

This is an enjoyable and educational lecture. Gail will also supply patterns you will be happy to add to your collection.

Where Women Create

With Jo Packham | Presentation Tent

2:00 pm

Jo Packham, currently the creator/Editor-in-Chief of best-selling magazines: *WHERE WOMEN CREATE — Inspiring Work Spaces of Extraordinary Women*; *WHERE WOMEN COOK*, *The Heart & Soul of Cooking*; *WHERE WOMEN WORK*, *A Passion for Success*; and her newest publication: *WHAT WOMEN CREATE*, *Inspiration for Your Imagination*, has been a leading innovator in the handmade publishing market for more than 35 years.

Working with Wool, Cotton & Fibers

With Stacy West, Buttermilk Basin | Presentation Tent

2:00 pm

Whether you are a sewer, appliqu er or handwork enthusiast, this lecture is for you! Stacy will be doing a trunk show where she shares the versatility of her patterns, including showing the same design done in different mediums which creates endless options! She will also show you the potential of her patterns and just how easy it is to make other derivative projects from a pattern! Plus, you will see & learn first hand about working with wool and how to blend it into any of your sewing or handwork projects, adding dimension & texture for a fresh new look!

How to Seduce a Sasquatch: 101 Ways to Jumpstart Your Creativity

With Ben Behunin, Potterboy.com | Presentation Tent

3:00 pm

Texture, color, playful whimsy—words often used to describe Ben Behunin's work in clay. Ben considers being an artist a responsibility to spread joy and beauty; something he embraces in everything he creates.

Modern Heritage Quilts: Updating Classics & More

With Amy Ellis | Waterfall Amphitheater

3:00 pm

Join Amy Ellis, Quilter, Designer and Published Author, as she showcases quilts from her most recent book - *Modern Heritage Quilts*. Amy will also talk about *Curated Quilts*, a printed quarterly quilt journal, that features artists in the community.

Storyteller

With Barbara McBride-Smith | Waterfall Amphitheater

4:00 pm

Barbara McBride-Smith wears many hats – simultaneously! For more than 40 years, she has worked as a teacher, a school library media specialist, a theological seminary instructor, a writer, and a traveling storyteller. In each of these professions, she has employed storytelling as an integral educational tool and a compelling art form.

From the varied places she has lived – from Texas to Massachusetts to New Jersey to Oklahoma and now Tennessee – she has absorbed wit, wisdom, and wonder. She weaves it all into stories and brings them to the stage with humor and poignancy. She credits her skill as a storyteller to her parents, who were natural-born down-home wordsmiths, and to her two deaf sisters, who “communicated with their entire beings.

SATURDAY

My Take on a Trunk Show

With Amy Smart, *Diary of a Quilter* | Waterfall Amphitheater

10:00 am

Amy will share her story on how she got started quilting and where she finds inspiration for her collections. She'll also talk about her very popular blog and Instagram – *Diary of a Quilter* -- and will share some of her most designs and quilts. Amy is fun, down-to-earth and a delight to listen to and learn from.

Mini Trunk Show

With Heather Peterson, *Anka's Treasures* | Presentation Tent

11:00 am

Heather will talk about her design business, share a few favorite quilts, talk about the inspiration behind the designs, and her favorite cheater techniques for turning complicated looking designs into simple steps. Come away inspired to sew and try some new techniques.

Over the Edge Binding Techniques

With Carmen Geddes, *TenSisters Handicraft* | Waterfall Amphitheater

11:00 am

Ever been stumped on how to finish your quilt? Learn great binding tricks and techniques that will give you beautiful results. Also, special touches like piping in the binding and scalloped edges.

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A Retrospective: Five Years of the Tattooed Quilter

With Christopher Thompson, *The Tattooed Quilter* | Presentation Tent

Noon

In this fun and light-hearted lecture, Christopher will take a look back at his first five years of the Tattooed Quilter. From his first quilt to his most recent and of course, everything in-between, Christopher will share his philosophy on the importance of mini quilts and how they stretch your creative muscles.

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The Color Red

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1:00 pm

What are the many meanings of the color red? What is the history of its use and value around the world?

Valentines, flags, Christmas, fruit, vegetables, love, passion and hate...the color red. We all love it, we use it in quilts and we wear it for special occasions. It grabs our attention and ends up in our quilts. The story of RED is fascinating!

Gail Berry has been quilting since the 1900's (!) and of her dozens of quilts, both contemporary and antique, red is a repeated theme. She sews with red, decorates with it and wears it. She enjoyed a study of the Color of Red and loves sharing the history, uses and meanings of this widely loved and wildly used hue.

Gail will also supply colored patterns and ideas you will be happy to use in your sewing.

Why do I Quilt? A Jillily Trunk Show

With Jill Finley, Jillily Studio | Presentation Tent

2:00 pm

A fun and informative trunk show. Jill will show a variety of studio quilts and quilts from family retreats, including group projects and Round Robins. Delightful back stories about each quilt and the design process from fabric to binding.

Holiday Themed Project Ideas

With Melissa Mortenson, Polka-Dot Chair | Waterfall Amphitheater

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Come see all of Melissa's fun projects!

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Taking the Art to Applique

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3:00 pm

Illustrator J. Wecker Frisch demonstrates how she translates her art into applique design in this trunk show, original art and applique project and demo.

Batting: What's Inside Matters!

With Stephanie Hackney, Hobbs Batting | Presentation Tent

4:00 pm

This is a one-hour lecture that teaches quilters, store owners and professional long-armers everything they need to know about choosing the best fiber/batting, from the five questions we ask quilters in order to narrow down the many choices, to sharing the pros and cons of each fiber/batting type, to the use and care of the fiber/batting before and after it's placed in a quilt, and tips and tricks for achieving the best quilting results.

This interactive lecture is ideal for newbies and professional quilters alike!

Batting samples will be provided to each attendee and everyone will have a chance to win \$100 worth of Hobbs Batting of their choice!

Trunk Show and Book Signing

With Lori Holt, Bee in my Bonnet | Waterfall Amphitheater

4:00 pm

Join Lori Holt as she shows her beautiful quilts, shares stories and hosts a book signing.