



Garden
of Quilts

ASHTON GARDENS
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Trunk Shows & Lectures

September 15 - 18
at the Ashton Gardens

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Friday

10:00 am	Amy Smart, Diary of a Quilter <i>Trunk Show - Making Meaningful Quilts: Tell Your Story</i>
11:00 am	Heather Bailey, Heather Bailey, LLC <i>Creative Journey</i>
12:00 pm	Melissa Corry <i>Charming Baby Quilts Trunk Show</i>
1:00 pm	Cindy Cloward, Riley Blake Designs <i>Jane Austen at Home</i>
2:00 pm	Heather Peterson, Anka's Treasures <i>Show and Tell</i>
3:00 pm	Amanda Niederhauser, Jedi Craft Girl <i>Quilting For Joy</i>
4:00 pm	Christopher Thompson, The Tattooed Quilter <i>Mini Quilts: How and Why</i>
5:00 pm	Gail Berry <i>Border Beauties and Stripes</i>

Saturday

10:00 am	My Girlfriend's Quilt Shoppe <i>We've Got a Surprising Answer to All of those Quilt Tops!</i>
11:00 am	Carmen Geddes, Tensisters Handicraft <i>Make the Quilts You Wish You Had Inherited</i>
12:00 pm	Krysti Wright, Stitching Hearts Worldwide <i>Thank You Presentation Honoring Project Protect Founders Quilt Auction Donation Winners</i>
1:00 pm	Jenny Doan, Missouri Star Quilt Co <i>Q&A with Jenny Doan</i>
2:00 pm	Gail Berry <i>The Color Blue</i>
3:00 pm	My Girlfriend's Quilt Shoppe <i>We've Got a Surprising Answer to All of those Quilt Tops!</i>
3:30 pm	Jill Finley <i>A Jillily Trunk Show</i>

FRIDAY

Trunk Show - Making Meaningful Quilts: Tell Your Story

With Amy Smart, *Diary of a Quilter*

10 am - 11 pm

Amy Smart has been writing the popular blog, *Diary of a Quilter*, for over 11 years now. She is the creator of multiple tutorials (she especially loves teaching new recruits how to quilt) and quilt patterns, including the book, *Fabulously Fast Quilts*. She is also a fabric designer for Riley Blake Designs. If forced to choose, she'd probably have to say pulling and playing with colors and fabric is her favorite part of the quilting process.

Creative Journey

With Heather Bailey, *Heather Bailey, LLC*

11 am - Noon

Heather Bailey is a full-time professional artist, a patented inventor, a mother of three—and a world-reknowned star in the textile, craft, and decorating arena. With her sophisticated floral artwork and smart geometric designs, Heather has inspired a new generation of print enthusiasts to embrace art and color in their everyday lives. Heather's creations, including fashion and home-decor items, have been sold worldwide in the best stores: Fred Segal, Henri Bendel's, Bloomingdales, and more. *InStyle*, *Glamour*, *Mademoiselle*, *Seventeen*, *Country Living*, and other top publications have all highlighted her work. Heather has designed custom products for Target, for Michael's, and for Fred Segal. She has also contributed to books on business, as well as books on personal style. Join Heather as she shares her inspiring creative journey, and invites you to embrace and explore your own innate creativity.

Charming Baby Quilts Trunk Show

With Melissa Corry, *Happy Quilting*

Noon - 1 pm

Charming Baby Quilts brings 10 original baby quilts to life, featuring the classic 5" square Charm Pack precut. Each design uses one, two or three Charm Packs, making this an essential book to have on hand for gifts and celebrations.

Quilters will love all the beautiful quilt options and Charming Baby Quilts is amazing for classes, retreats and sew alongs. With the ease of charm packs, this book is fabulous for beginners as well. Melissa's passion for feel-good quilts can be felt on every page and stitch and we know this book will inspire a whole new generation of little quilts for little ones!

Come see all 10 of Melissa's Charming Baby Quilts as well as the 10 Charming Baby Remix's, the same Charming Design but done Big! Melissa designs, makes, and free-motion quilts all of her and shares all the tidbits of making each quilt in this fun trunk show.

Jane Austen at Home

With Cindy Cloward, *Riley Blake Designs*

1 pm - 2 pm

The fabric of Jane Austen's home life is available for the first time ever! Riley Blake Designs has reproduced these beautiful floral prints to make this extraordinary part of British history available to everyone. Join Cindy Cloward as she shows how Riley Blake Designs has brought these beautiful floral prints to life and other Jane Austen unique items.

Show and Tell with Heather from Anka's Treasures

With Heather Peterson, *Anka's Treasures*

2 pm - 3 pm

Come and see what's new from Anka's Treasures and learn about the tricks and techniques that Heather uses in her designs. Come ready to be inspired and learn something new!

Quilting For Joy: How to love where you are in your quilt journey amid perfection driven social media

With Amanda Niederhauser, *Jedi Craft Girl*

3 pm - 4 pm

This is a 1 hour lecture style class about finding joy in quilting. Through sharing my somewhat comical quilt journey we will discuss how to avoid comparison, appreciate talent in others, and even love our mistakes. Lots of visuals and quilts will be involved in the lecture.

Mini Quilts: How and Why

With Christopher Thompson, *The Tattooed Quilter*

4 pm - 5 pm

In this trunk show, Christopher shares his favorite mini quilts and talks about how and why mini quilts help us release our inner creative self!

Border Beauties and Stripes

With Gail Berry

5 pm - 6 pm

Border Beauties and Stripes is a demo class. This will be a lecture with a lot of samples, examples, patterns and written instructions for your use. I like quilts with large center medallions or traditional stars, bordered in creative ways. I also love using stripes and this demo class will inspire you to use stripes and constructed borders to finish your pieces. I bring a lot of samples of my own work and antique quilts. You will take home easy-to-follow instructions and patterns for creating and finishing quilts with great borders. This class will give you the confidence and helpful tips to create and finish your own borders.

SATURDAY

We've Got a Surprising Answer to All of those Quilt Tops!

With My Girlfriend's Quilt Shoppe

10:30 am - 11 am

Unfinished quilt tops... We all have them! One, two.. hundreds? Well, you are not alone! Quilt tops are so much fun to piece together. But when you are finished piecing it's almost as if a whole new process has begun! So we admire it, fold it, and put it on a shelf for another day. (We are totally guilty of this!)

Well, leave it to the Girlfriends to come up with a surprising solution! Are you ready? Drum roll, please! Meet the Handi Quilter Moxie longarm machine! We know right where your brain just went... but finally there is a longarm machine that not only is affordable, but also doesn't take up tons of space!

Do you need a little more convincing? Kris and Heather from My Girlfriend's Quilt Shoppe will show you how easy and affordable it can be to take your quilts to the finish line!

Make the Quilts You Wish You Had Inherited

With Carmen Geddes, Tensisters Handicraft

11 am - Noon

Generations of quilters have awed and inspired us with spectacular quilts! Come and see the precision and beauty of antique, heirloom quilts with the fun of EasyPiecing Grid! From traditional scrappy to modern, this is for you!

Thank You Presentation Honoring Project Protect Founders Quilt Auction Donation Winners

With Krysti Wright, Stitching Hearts Worldwide

Noon - 1 pm

This last year Stitching Hearts Worldwide organized and facilitated over 20,000 volunteers to donate over 440,000 service hours (while following COVID restrictions) and produced over 1.67 Million handmade gifts of love given to those affected by COVID, suffering from natural disasters and human injustices. We were blessed to partner with key compassionate organizations as we worked together to make Medical Masks for Millions of people this last year. We wish to express our gratitude to these entities by presenting them each with a personal crafted wall hanging made by SHW using fabric designed by Riley Blake Designs to honor COVID First Responders. We will also be privileged to thank and award the top auction bidders of the quilts they have won.

Q&A with Jenny Doan

With Jenny Doan, Missouri Star Quilt Co

1 pm - 2 pm

Join Jenny Doan, the smiling face of Missouri Star, as she shares her passions for quilting and encouraging quilters. Jenny will take you on her quilting journey as she answers your questions with warmth, humor and stories from her life experiences.

The Color Blue

With Gail Berry

2 pm - 3 pm

The color blue is a favorite of cultures and people all over the world! It is certainly popular for quilt makers. In this presentation I talk about the color blue in nature, the history of indigo, why blue is not used in food, dyeing the perfect blues and how synthetic and chemically blues are formulated. At the conclusion you will understand how, why and when the color blue has been used in history and realize why it is used so often in quilts, homes, stitchery and clothes! I will bring blue quilts of my own making and antique examples. It's a fun class! You will go home with handouts, patterns, ideas and inspiration.

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A Jillily Trunk Show

With Jill Finley

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Come see Jill's collection of beautiful designs with the interesting back stories on each quilt. Jill will share new quilts along with some fun older projects and family Round Robbin quilts as well. Learn about her family retreats and some of the funny stories she has shared with quilters from all over. It's Jill's goal to inspire you and entertain you with quilts!