SUSAN MARCIA ARROW QUILT ARTIST AND INSTRUCTOR



- My love of fabric started at the age of 10, petting the fabric stacks at the local Woolworth and Newberry's in Southern California. I had my grandma Masha's old singer sewing machine, but since she was no longer alive, and my mother and father didn't know how to sew, a lovely woman from our temple, Mrs. Kessler came over ever Saturday for a few months, to teach me how to sew. My family moved to Northern California to escape the smog in 1963, where I attended Jr. High and High School in Terra Linda (Marin County). I had the gift of two amazing mentors, Jack Haehl and Sheila Ford. Textiles became my lifelong passion, for all types of fabric making, embellishment and design. I received my Bachelor of Arts degree in Textiles from San Jose State University in 1974. I discovered Art Quilting in 1997. It pulled together my most favorite aspects of sewing, photography, fabric embellishment and collage. My subject matter focus has been on the natural world, primarily in the East Bay which has been by home for the last 20 years.
- I create most of my own patterns, from taking pictures on walks daily. Now that I am retired, I spend 4 to 5 hours a day in the studio, teaching and taking "road trips" with my life partner, Ron. We live in Niles, Fremont.
- I feel compelled to share my love of the Art Quilting with whoever I can, in hopes they also "catch the bug". I have derived so much pleasure and purpose in my creative adventures, I truly believe that my appreciation of nature, and the ability to find my creative voice is the best medicine in this crazy world. I hope you will feel the same way. Please join me in using the color wheel and my original patterns to help you develop your own style and expression. Learn time saving techniques and let your soul play!
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