

Quilters Anonymous 42nd Quilt Show
Galaxy of Quilts
March 15-17, 2024

Special Techniques 501-505

501 Kawandi Scarf by Dionne Hersh ~ 96 x 18

Kawandi is a craft in Western India created by African slaves. It produces a hand stitched utilitarian quilt made from scraps for warmth. I made this from discarded silk ties. A large running stitch is used, creating a pleasant texture. As I made this, I thought of the many meetings, business lunches, and commutes these ties (and their owners) endured. Hand pieced. Hand appliquéd. Hand quilted. Original design.

502 Tattered by Susan Tierney ~ 13 x 14

The challenge for Off Grain Stitchers' fall retreat was to zoom in to a quilt's detail, then zoom out and design from the enlarged image. I chose the tattered border of a red and white vintage Snowball quilt. I hoped to represent its textures, shadows, stains and frays. I used batiks, burlap ribbons, various cotton scraps and running stitches. Hand pieced. Original design.

503 Cathedral Windows by Ronnie Holt ~ 30 x 34

Block layout was donated to a silent auction at Camp Huston with a beginning bid of \$5.00 and no one was bidding on it. A friend of mine found out my bidding number and listed it at \$1.00 without me knowing. No one else added to the bid sheet so I was awarded the final bid as a prank. Machine pieced. Hand appliquéd. Auction donor made part of the top. I did the hand stitching, embellishment, and finished the quilt. Design credit: Traditional block. Second place.

504 Archeological Dig by Kasey Meier ~ 22 x 22

Glyphs gleam once the soil that dulled them is brushed away. This is a whole cloth design with black cotton fabric altered using bleach resist, two types of paint and hand embroidery. Domestic machine quilted. Original design.

505 Martin, Where Are You?! by Pamela Keene ~ 45 x 40 (no photo)

"You should make an alien quilt. Imagine that on your bedroom wall," said my nephew, Martin. With an X-Files nod, quilt was inspired by the James Webb challenge; Susan Carlson's generous internet collage quilting sharing; and a header from telescope pictures: The James Webb Space Telescope gives us our first true image of alien worlds. Domestic machine quilted. Original design. First place.

