

FEATURED MEMBER LINDA HERREN

How long have you been quilting? About 27 years.

Who taught you how to quilt? My mother and aunts always quilted when I was young, and I've always sewn and knew how a quilt was made; but when I started on my own, I knew I must be missing something. So I took a class with Annie Ruth Davis. Until then, I had 5/8-inch seams pressed open and so forth.

What are your favorite quilting techniques? I love appliqué and piecing. I've done a lot of artsy and fun new techniques lately and am having fun with that.

What are your favorite colors to work with? Either country colors or pastels. I'm not a bright person, in more ways than one.

What are your favorite fabrics to work with? I love anything Moda and am starting to collect batiks.

What is your favorite quilt shop? Besides Phyllis? Little Quilts and Scarlett Threads.

If you sew by machine, what kind(s) do you use? Bernina



What inspires you to make a particular quilt? Usually just seeing one or a picture of one that I really like.

What is your favorite quilting book or pattern? Any appliqué.

On average, how many quilts do you make in a year? It varies, anywhere from 4 to 12 depending on the size. I do a lot of smaller sizes now.

Do you quilt your own quilts or do you send them out? Both. Right now they're stacking up.

What quilt-related item(s) are you working on right now? I just started a combination of pieced and hand appliqué quilt from a new book called *The Graceful Garden*.

What other hobbies do you have? I crochet, I do counted cross stitch, regular embroidery and silk ribbon embroidery, gardening, rug hooking, needle punch, and penny rugs.

Tell about one way that quilting has changed your life. I guess the main thing is having met so many wonderful people, fellow quilters. I feel very blessed to have so many friends.

Are you on any committees with the CRQG? I help out on the program committee.

Feel free to tell us more about yourself and your family.

I am married to a great guy, almost 30 years, and have a beautiful daughter and two wonderful grandchildren. I've always had a passion for almost any kind of crafts and enjoy being creative almost full time now. Again, I'm very blessed to be able to follow my passion.

