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## BIO:

I made my first quilt when I was in high school. I have always made things, and I love the process of creating. In college I majored in Art History and minored in ceramics, but I returned to fiber because it was more satisfying. I can't remember when I didn't sew. For years my focus was designing and making clothing. All that changed in 1992, however, when I was in fashion design and realized that all I wanted to do was make quilts. I have been designing and making original quilts ever since.

I find each step of quilt making, from the beginning to the end, a real challenge. It is hard to say what part I like best. I love the pure creativity involved in conceiving and designing a new quilt. I love to piece and I love to fuse. I have found that by fusing smaller pieces, I can work out design issues. Then I like to make a bigger, bolder statement and piece the same quilt in a large format. Most of my work is machine quilted and nature inspired. Everyday I walk in a little wood near my home with my dog George. Much of what I see there appears in my work.

I discovered hand dyeing fabric 16 years ago, and I now work almost exclusively with my own hand dyed cottons and silks. I love the dye process, and I particularly enjoy seeing the colors emerge from the wet fabric.

**OCCUPATION:** Artist since 2001

**MEDIUM:** Quiltmaking

**BORN:** Corinth, MS

**EDUCATION:** BA (1976) University of Vermont; and Fashion Design (1992) Harper College, Palatine IL

## PUBLISHED BOOKS:

*Fun Fast Fusies*, 2005 American Quilters' Society

*Frieda's Fun Fast Free Motion Machine Quilting* – self published

## PUBLICATIONS:

Frieda's quilts have appeared in the following publications:

- *The Quilted Planet* by Celia Eddy, Clarkson Potter (2005)
- *Fusing Fun! Fast and Fearless Art Quilts* by Laura Wasilowski, C&T Publishing (2004)
- *Creative Log Cabin Quilting*, Jeanne Stauffer and Sandre L. Hatch editors, House of White Birches ((2004)
- *Fiberarts Design Book* , Susan Mowery Kieffer editor, Lark Books/ (2004)



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- GALLERY OF QUILT ART, 2001 Masterpieces, Quilts of the New Machine Age, by Husqvarna

#### **PUBLISHED PERIODICALS:**

QUILTING ARTS, January/February & March/April 2008, **All the Right Moves** (two part article with cover)

QUILTING ARTS, April/May 2007, **Colors of the Seasons**

AMERICAN QUILTER, Spring 2006, **Free Cut Piecing**

\$100,000 QUILTING CHALLENGE, Issue #1 2006 **Shimmering Foliage**

Fons and Porter's LOVE OF QUILTING, June 2005, **Art of Quilting**

QUILTING ARTS, Fall 2003 picture of quilt titled **Black Eyed Susans**

QUILTERS NEWSLETTER, June 2003, **The Embellished Edge**

QUILTERS NEWSLETTER, October 2002, **The Meeting Place**

THE QUILTING QUARTERLY, Fall 2002, **A Third Kind of Quiltmaking**

AMERICAN QUILTER, Spring 2000, **Cloth Valentines**

#### **SOLO EXHIBITS:**

Mancuso Shows Pacific International and Pennsylvania National – *Walks in the Woods with George* 2008

Sewing and Quilting Expo – *Walks in the Woods with George*, Madison WI 2007

Al's Creamy and Café – On going exhibit of works, 2002 - present

Elgin School District Main Campus – *Hearts Galore*, Elgin IL 2000

#### **EXHIBITS:**

\$100,000 Quilt Challenge (2006)

American Quilters Society Quilt Paducah KY and Nashville TN (2002-2008)

Chicago School of Fusing Faculty shows in Bloomington IL, Chicago IL, Denver CO, Schaumburg, IL (2006, 2007, 2008)

FAVA (Fireland Association for the Visual Arts) 2008

Husqvarna Invitational shows (2001-2002)

Indiana Heritage Quilt Show (2007)

International Quilt shows, Houston and Chicago (2005-2008)

Mancuso's Quilt Shows (2000-2008)

Minnesota Quilters Show (2004)

New Zealand Quilt Symposium (2004)

PAQA (Professional Art Quilters Alliance) Small Works Shows (1998, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008)

Quilt Surface Design Symposium invitation show at the Ross Art Museum (2008)

Road to California Quilt Show (2006,2007, 2008)

Vermont Quilt Show (2004, 2006)

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Frieda has taught at the following venues:

American Quilters Society - Paducah and Nashville

International Quilt Festival - Chicago and Houston

Mancuso's Quilt shows - Lansing, North Carolina and Chicago

Minnesota Quilters State Guild

Nancy's Notion Quilt Expo - Madison Wisconsin

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New Zealand Quilt Symposium  
Sewing and Quilting Expo  
Sisters Oregon Quilt Show  
Vermont Quilt Festival  
Dozens of quilt guilds around the USA

**TELEVISION:**

Quilting Arts University  
DIY - Do It Yourself Network - Two episodes  
Sewing with Nancy - Wisconsin Public Television - Two episodes  
The Art of Quilting - Wisconsin Public Television - DVD

**AWARDS:**

2008 – Third place “Celebrate Spring” IQF Chicago “Spring’s Greeting”  
2007 – Judges choice IQF Houston “Whispering Pines”  
2005 – Second place AQS Paducah “Shimmering Foliage”  
2005 – Honorable mention IQF Houston “Shimmering Foliage”  
2004 – AQS Paducah Honorable mention “June Jubilee”  
1990 – Swedish Days Geneva IL 1<sup>st</sup> place miniature quilt show  
2003 – Scholarship to Quilt Surface Design Symposium

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

PAQA – Professional Art Quilters Alliance since 1996 <http://www.artquilters.com>  
SAQA - Studio Art Quilters Associates - professional member <http://www.saga.com>