



HAWAII STITCHERY & FIBRE ARTS GUILD
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Aloha - HSFAG is looking for Announcements, Advertising, and any other stuff that members would like to get the word out. Things we would consider - Exhibit announcements, member store owners wanting to list a sale or store hours, members needing to sell something, members looking for something . . . literally anything that would be of interest or benefit to our membership. Must warn you, space is limited and will be subject for review and editing. Send all requests to president@hsfag.com. Deadline for submission for the next issue, January 10th.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MEETINGS

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
 VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER
 NOTICE.

7 TO 8:30PM HSFAG

GENERAL MEETING & PROGRAM

January 6, 2021

“Its a new year, time to clean your clutter” - meet declutter expert Cynthia Arnold from Move Managers and De-Clutter Hawaii.

February 3, 2021

“The Joy of Felting”

Alisa Au

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COVID-19 ISSUE VIII

DECEMBER 2020

HSFAG....is still **FOO**Ming.....

*Happy Holidays to all and to all a
Happy New Year!!!*



*more
photos
inside*

Aileen's Message

HSFAG PAST PRESIDENT, AILEEN KANESHIRO
JANUARY 2021



Well, here it is: my final President's Message. As you have already heard too many times, this has been a year like no other. We should pat ourselves on our backs for persevering, flexing to embrace Zoom and carrying on with our consistently intriguing meetings. Attendance hasn't suffered and our membership numbers is actually growing--thanks largely to our President-elect Alisa Au.

Many mahalos are extended to our board members that I want to recognize in no particular order. Alisa Au previously was our program chair but she has graciously stepped up to be our newly elected President. She comes in with fresh ideas and lots of enthusiasm as well as great people skills. Cynthia Oshiro has been on the board longer than I have. Like a past governor, she has been quiet but effective. She has efficiently maintained our public persona, our website. Thank her for a readable newsletter as well since her editing skills are the best! With her background in accounting, Eileen Roether has been able to keep our financial records in good shape with her monthly reports. Eileen has also agreed to take over the position of webmaster while Cynthia will continue to handle publicity and will maintain a member at-large position. Did you know that Eileen personally distributes our program notice to multiple fabric stores around town?

Karen-Kuba Hori has been our newsletter editor for about four years. She initially had agreed to take on this position even though she hadn't been able to attend a meeting in person! Without our newsletter, we wouldn't know what's coming up next and how much fun there was at the previous meeting. As the Nominations Committee, Karen has also been instrumental in expanding our board. Jennie Tsue has been able to maintain our membership roster and think of ways to retain our members who are at the heart of our organization. Did you know that she has been keeping attendance at our Zoom meetings? She's another quiet but effective one. In addition to her many sewing-related skills, Lei Batty has been invaluable as our Zoom expert. I don't know where we would be if she wasn't a member. She has graciously opened her shop and turned it into a production facility/impromptu clubhouse. Lei has consented to be another member-at-large.

We have had the pleasure of having Joy Nagaue present multiple college-level programs for us--she will be one of our program chairs with Charlotte Szarmes. If there's no guest available, I'm sure they will be able to create a program from browsing their skill sets. As we all learned from her recent presentation on fascinators, Charlotte Szarmes is a great sewist. What I appreciate about Charlotte is her willingness to go deep into a subject--which makes the subject more fascinating! Ednah Folk is our newest member of the board. She also has past experience as a program presenter. What I most appreciate about Ednah is her technical skills, especially on movie nights. She helped to select our sound system--which I hope to make better use of when these strange times are behind us.

HSFAG has been in existence since February 1974. We initially visualized its members as those artists and aspiring artists with an interest in working with fiber, yarn, and needles. Quilting and embroidery were the reigning needle arts in the 1970's. Our newsletter was written on a manual typewriter, contained no photos, and had to be sent by snail mail.

What I am most thankful for are those mostly forgotten, nameless past members who kept the Guild financially secure. Without that, there would be no Guild. Countless past members put in hundreds--if not thousands--of volunteer hours to sew quilts for our past major fund raisers. They not only sewed, they volunteered at exhibits and sold chances to win at least three full size quilts. They also gave generously at our White Elephant Sales and Bazaar Nights. There were also grant writers who applied to the State Foundation in order to sponsor workshops featuring amazing talents from all over the country. These ladies never won a Guild-sponsored prize nor did they get free membership. I don't think they envisioned that their hard work would keep the Guild afloat during a worldwide pandemic but I for one am very thankful for their past contributions. Yes, times are challenging but our guild meetings have been a blessing and we have our past members to thank.

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JANUARY 6, 2021
7:00 PM VIA ZOOM
(GUESTS WELCOMED)



LET'S CLEAN OUT THAT MESS

"Have a clutter problem - home needs to be cleaned for the New Year. Time to start. Join us - as Cynthia Arnold from Senior Move Managers and De-Clutter Hawaii, helps us to clean out our special mess."

Cynthia Arnold is the Vice President of Senior Move Managers and De-Clutter Hawaii. These companies help clients to de-clutter and downsize their homes to either move or age in place. Cynthia has a wealth of knowledge in this area and has helped to grow this company dramatically over the last 10 years. Prior to working with Senior Move Managers, she was the Marketing and Fundraising Manager with the American Diabetes Association as well as a Catering Manager with Ala Moana Hotel. After 20 years of coaching tennis at St. Andrew's Priory and Sacred Hearts Academy, she retired last year to spend more time with her daughter Alexis and her schools needs. Through all these experiences, Cynthia has gained valuable skills that she currently uses today, including problem solving, organizing people and events, patience and providing excellent customer service.

In this presentation you will learn some tips to declutter your items, SORT out your belongings and where to start. These tips will help you to get started on your decluttering project at home.

To enter ZOOM meeting, contact Lei Batty at hsfagzooms@hsfag.com by January 5th.

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FYI - Calico Cat will be closed until Monday, January 11th. If you really can't wait till then, call Carol at 808-732-3998 and leave a message to schedule an appointment.

Alisa's Message

HSFAG PRESIDENT, ALISA AU
JANUARY 2021 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Guild Members,

Hi, I'm Alisa. Thank you for the honor of electing me President of such a talented, creative membership! I get to be a Cheerleader!

Happy New Year! It is going to be an exciting and fun year!

Thank you to Aileen Kaneshiro for her 7 years of dedication to HSFAG as President. We all appreciate her hanging in there, especially for her MONTHS of nightly emails and news about masks and words of encouragement.

Thank you, also, to the returning Board members. Welcome to the new Board members and to Board members in different positions. I admire and appreciate your dedication, time, and TALENT!

Welcome and thank you to all the returning HSFAG members and new members!

This is what I, along with your Board, would like to do this coming year. Continue on Zoom! What an opportunity this has been! My hats off to all of you for taking the plunge! We are pioneers in the community. We even have members Zooming from Maryland, Portland, and California!

Although we continually monitor the possibility of meeting in person, this doesn't look like we will be able to in the near future. Members have expressed a desire to continue to Zoom, even when we resume in person meetings.

Joy and Charlotte have been exploring and brainstorming for months about programs and workshops. If there is anything you have seen and wondered about, please let us know. What this lockdown has fostered is an interest in Making.

We are also exploring a collaboration with the Hawaii Quilt Guild.

HSFAG is your Guild. We will be reaching out to you with a survey and welcome your input. As you know, the sky's the limit!

Take care, have FUN, and stay safe!

Alisa



ALISA AT WORK



Fascinators are fascinating...thank you Charlotte



Marie Antoinette

- MARIE ANTOINETTE WAS THE QUEEN'S "CELEBRITY STYLIST" AND COORDINATED THE FASHION OF THE COURT.
- "THE QUEEN'S STYLIST" AND COORDINATED THE FASHION OF THE COURT.
- ROSA BERTIN WAS THE QUEEN'S "CELEBRITY STYLIST" AND COORDINATED THE FASHION OF THE COURT.



Sharing Christmas tree successes.

