

PenWAG Rag

**Marcia Manzo & Leilani Bennett
Co-Presidents**



Scholarship Winners Announced

The Peninsula Wearable Arts Guild (PenWAG) announced that Josie Harris and Lina Egutkina are winners of its 2020 Scholarship. The award is given annually to two students who best demonstrate creativity, technical skill, and dedication to wearable art, fashion and design. This year's winners reflect two different styles of wearable art: the avant garde and the fashionable.

Josie Harris, a freshman at West Valley Community College, will receive \$1,000. Josie's submissions reflect her commitment to creative reuse and love for making art out of materials that others would consider trash. Her interest in wearable art was sparked in the sixth grade when she took a multimedia art class taught by notable Santa Cruz artist and teacher, Kathleen Crocetti. Josie's first piece was a Greek toga she made out of packing popcorn.

PenWAG Scholarship Committee members were wowed by Josie's creativity, use of color, workmanship, and sense of whimsy.

Lina Egutkina, a fashion design student at both West Valley and Canada Community Colleges, will receive \$500. As showcased in her winning designs, Lina loves experimenting with fabric manipulation, draping, and embellishment. Scholarship Committee members liked the elegant and interesting designs Lina submitted for review that reflected the wide range of techniques she utilizes in her work.

PenWAG Scholarship Committee members **Sarah Bunje**, **Gretta Csatho**, and **Jessica Fiske Bailey** reviewed applications submitted from students from three local fashion design programs (Canada, West Valley, and San Francisco City Colleges). Committee members noted that this year's applications showed a high degree of craftsmanship and design ability.

Besides a cash award, scholarship recipients receive a year's subscription to PenWAG and the opportunity to showcase their winning garments at PenWAG's 2021 ArtWear Fashion Show.

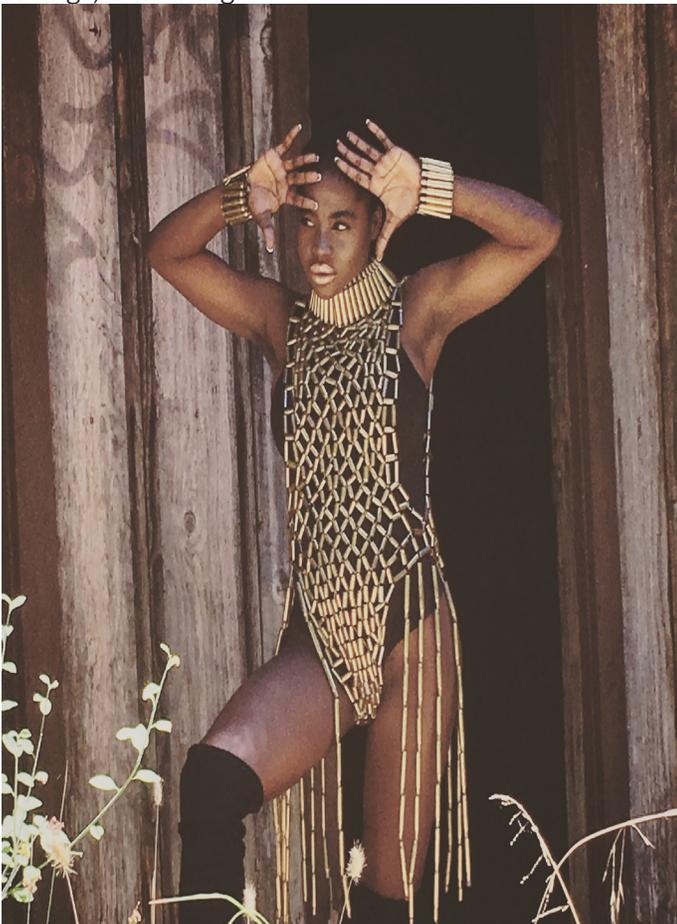


THE ART OF JOSIE HARRIS

Bark is made out of organic natural materials

The Devil Awakens is constructed of paper coffee cups

American Gothic, modeled by Vigilant Sutherland, is made of shotgun casings, handgun casings, and string.



side-draped Little Black Dress.



THE ART OF LINA EGUTKINA

black-and-white skirt



It is with sadness that we tell you of the passing of **Amy Witherow**, whose obituary appeared in the S.J. Newspaper; you can read it here. She was our Workshop Sign-up leader for a number of years. <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mercurynews/obituary.aspx?n=amy-witherow&pid=196334303>

Marcia Manzo tells us **John Marshall** is offering online classes on many of the art forms he has taught for us. Here is the link to his website: <http://www.johnmarshall.to/OnlineClasses.htm>

here are more links from Marty for online classes:

<https://naturalfabricdyeing.com/study/home-study-core-skills-in-natural-fabric-dyeing/>

<http://balzerdesigns.com/Classes.html> - jelly printing

Quarantined cruise ship employee creates incredible outfits out of paper bags

When cruise ship performer *Ashleigh Perrie* ended up quarantined in a hotel room in Perth, she decided to get creative and fashion incredible outfits out of the paper bags her meals got delivered in. <https://apple.news/AvDO-2ZUwRh-kU3x0OYQxoA>

Becky Fulgoni about design experimentation and other Threads podcasts https://www.threadsmagazine.com/2020/06/03/fearless-experimentation-episode-29?source=W3811ENL&tp=i-1NHD-BC-GqM-17zKSA-1o-Wm8g-1c-sk9-pfqBf-l4iTRMJEOt-1vAany&sourcekey=W3811ENL&utm_source=eletter&utm_medium=eletter&cid=64750&mid=1034183818&om_rid=i-1NHD-BC-GqM-17zKSA-1o-Wm8g-1c-sk9-pfqBf-l4iTRMJEOt-1vAany&om_mid=64750

Tentatively we have left activities starting in October in place. Subject to change of course, but PenWAG is hoping for the best.

You all gotta send me items, links and photos for the newsletter or there won't be one next time!!



Sue Cyr
Here are
3 of the quilting projects I have done.

I made 2 unicorn quilts - both for great granddaughters that turned 7 this year. one is twin 7 one is queen size. Each quilt also got a throw pillow and 2 pillow cases.

The baby quilt is for a nephew expecting their 1st baby - they don't know the sex so I had to be neutral and they wanted baby animals.

The batik quilt is made from fabric I have had in my stash for a while. Last year I was going to Always Quilting for their Sat. Strip Club (love the name) The quilts is from the book "The Big Book of Strip Quilts".

Sheltering in place hasn't been too bad since I have a room full of fabric and many projects to either finish or start.





MORE
Sue Cyr (and her
ER workers)

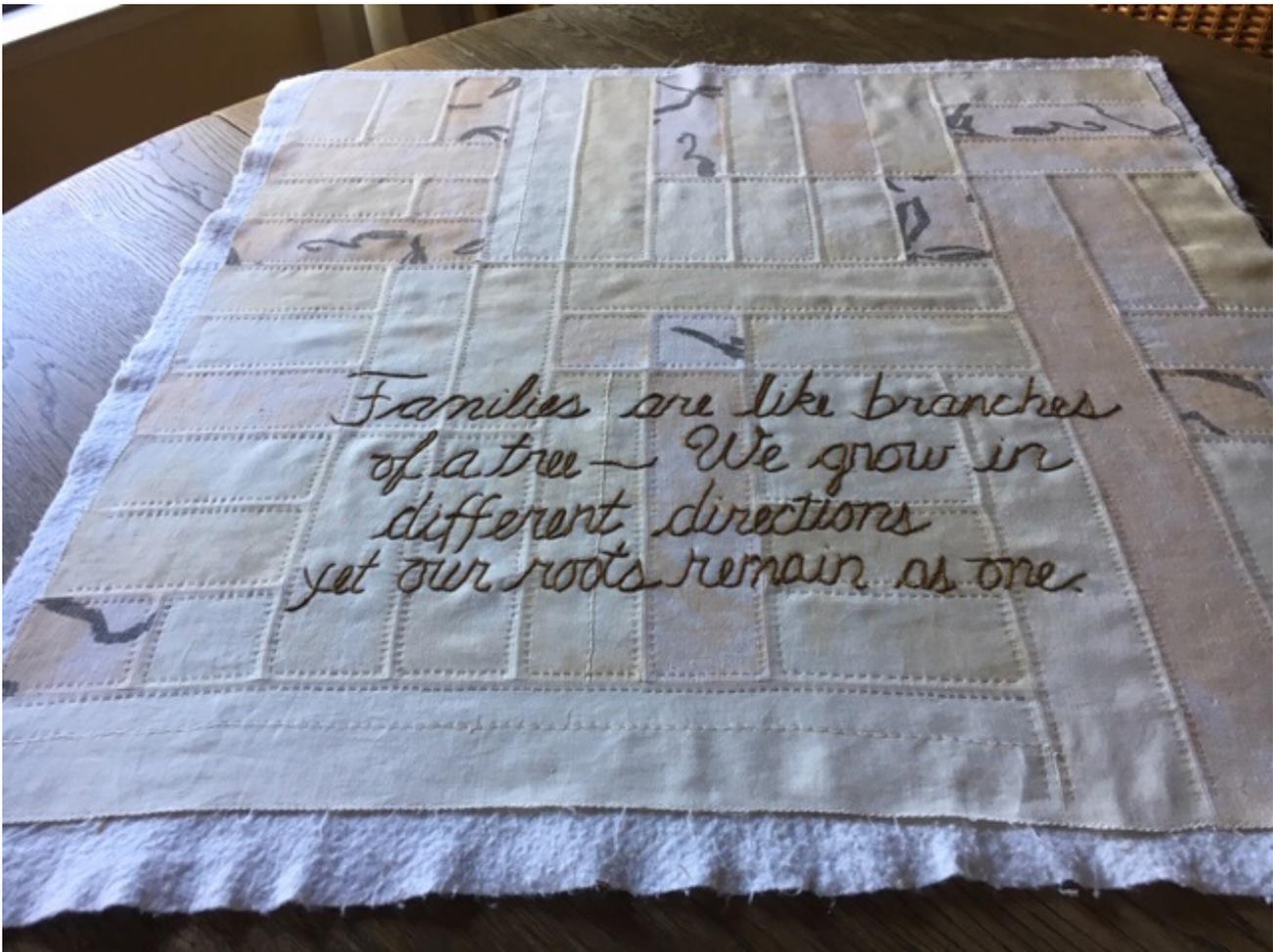


Leilani Bennett: The Wall Hanging Update #3

Truth be told, much more should have been accomplished since I last posted about the wall piece I've promised to my son and DIL. But you know how it is, some days the muse is with you and some days she's flown the coop.

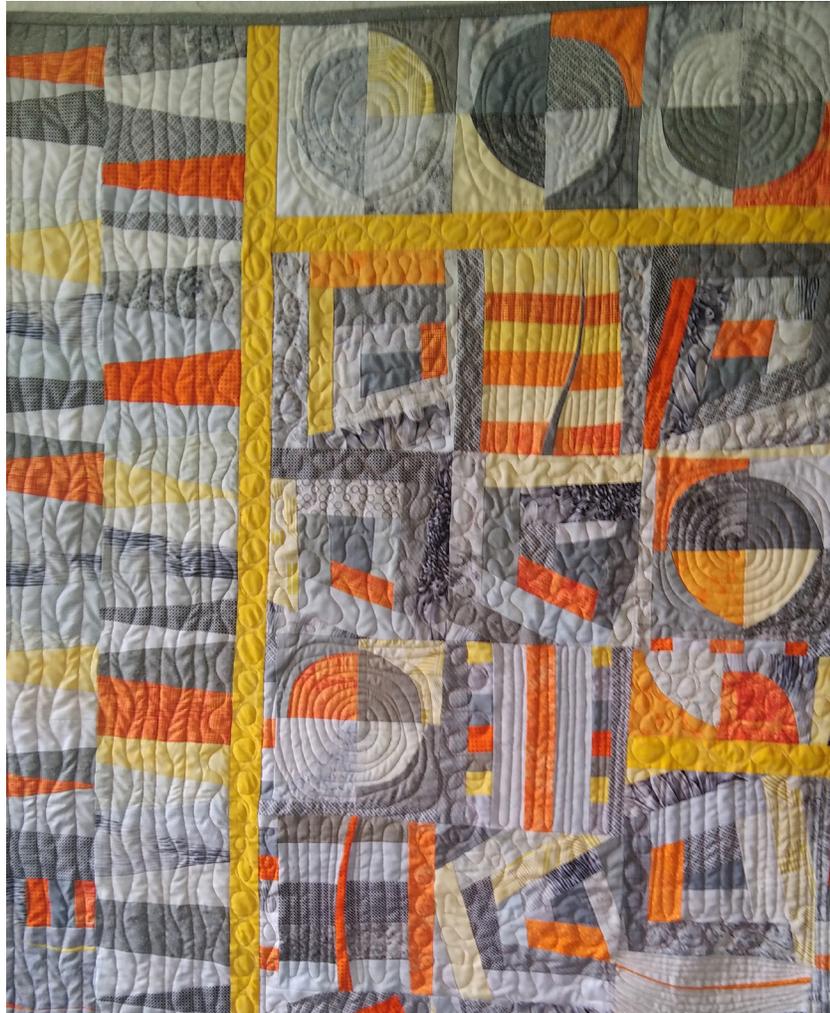
Two of the six panels are completed and ready for joining. They have been hand quilted and this piece has the beautiful quotation about families embroidered. (My embroidery has the loving-hands-at-home look but I figure home look but I figure that's ok for this piece.)

I'm collaborating with Martin Gorfinkel on the very last part of this wall hanging and I figure I'd better speed up my progress before he loses interest. Hang in there, Martin! I'll get there. (that's ok for this piece.)



Marie Strait: I have been using this time to work on the many (many!!!) wip's (works in progress). Will I ever learn to do one project from start to finish?? Probably not I am a quilt artist so that has been my focus. Here is my "Covid 19 I - A Ray of Sunshine on a Gray Day.

Also, if you are on Facebook I hope you are following the San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles. They are posting some interesting textile information and artist profiles. Check it out.



We are still

<https://www.sewing4good.org/>

If you are sewing gowns or masks, send photos to Lenore@penwag.org.