

RESUME

Kathy Adams – Professional Quilter / Quilt Designer

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Geoff and Kathy Adams of KoolKat Quilting

SUMMARY

Since July 2003 Kathy has been a professional long arm quilter, quilt pattern designer and teacher of special quilting techniques. Together with husband Geoff, she is joint owner of the business KoolKat Quilting, also established in 2003. She teaches from her studio and travels to quilt groups in Queensland. Kathy has also had patterns published in Australian quilting magazines as well released commercially here and in north America under the KoolKat Quilting label. Kathy also writes regularly for Australian Patchwork and Quilting magazine.

Kathy's formal training is Fine Art, Teaching and Ceramics. Prior to working in the quilting industry full time Kathy and Geoff operated a successful screen printing business, and before that Kathy was a secondary school art teacher for over 10 years.

QUALIFICATIONS

Associate Diploma in Fine Art (Qld College of Art) 1975

Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Kelvin Grove C.A.E.) 1976

Certificate in Studio Ceramics (South Brisbane T.A.F.E.) 1982

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- 1992 *McGregor Summer School* - Leadlighting, tutor Norman Birrell
1993 *Craft Nest Getaway* - Shadow Appliqué and Leadlight Quilt, tutor Hetty Van Boven
1995 *Quilting on the Downs*, Toowoomba. ðThe Full Montyö, tutor Susan Musgrove and ðMystery quiltö tutor Bev Wilmott.
1996 *Quilting on the Downs*, Toowoomba. ðCrazy Patch Jacketö and ðSad Clownö tutor Lynne Butcher
1997 *Craft Nest Getaway* ó ðCreative Curvesö tutor Gita Barlow at Perserverance
1999 *McGregor Summer School* ó ðFabric printingö tutor Jill Kinnear.
2001 *Warwick Art Gallery* ó Palgrove Art Workshop, tutor Wil de Vos.
2002 *Bellbunya Getaway* ó ðMachine appliquéö tutor Lynne Booth
2002 *Warwick Art Gallery* ó ðConceptual Artö
2002 *Warwick Quilters* ó ðPicture Quiltö tutor Susan Musgrove
2003 *Warwick Quilters* ó ðMachine Embroideryö tutor Ken Smith
2003 *Quiltfest* ó ðDrappliqueö, tutor Pam Holland and ðStained Glassö, tutor Gina Burgess.
2004 *Quartpot Quilters*, Stanthorpe ó ðColourwashö, tutor Judy Turner
2004 *Quiltfest*, Toowoomba ó ðRose of Sharonö, tutor Pam Holland and ðColourwashö, tutor Judy Turner
2004 *Toowoomba quilters* ó ðPaper Piecingö tutor Kay Haydon
2005 *Australian Machine Quilters Conference*, Mittagong NSW
2005 *Ricky Tims* (lecture and demonstration) ó Queensland Quilters, Brisbane.
2005 *Toowoomba Quilters Retreat* ó Perserverance Dam, via Toowoomba
2005 *Quiltfest*, Toowoomba ó Wendy Scott
2006 *Quiltfest*, Toowoomba ó Michele Hill
2007 *McGregor Summer School*, Toowoomba ó Wendy Scott
2007 *Linda Wrench*, Toowoomba ó Genesis Dyeing Workshop
2009 *Jane Sassaman* workshop - Queensland Quilters
2010 *Hollis Chatelain* workshop - Queensland Quilters
2011 *Houston International Quilt Festival* - various workshops
2012 Queensland Quilters ó *Bargello With Chris Timmins*
2012 Silk Dyeing with *Cecile Arndt*, Toowoomba

MEMBERSHIP OF CRAFT ORGANISATIONS

Toowoomba Quilters	2004-current
Darling Downs Quilters	2004-2005
Queensland Quilters	2000-current
Warwick Quilters	1993-2004
NSW Quilters Guild	2007-current
AMQA	2007 - current
(Australian Machine Quilters Assn)	

EXHIBITIONS AND AWARDS

Exhibitions

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| 1994 | Warwick Quilters | Group exhibition |
| 1996 | Warwick Quilters | Group exhibition |

1998	Warwick Quilters	Group exhibition
2000	Warwick Quilters	Group exhibition
2002	Warwick Drawing Group	Group exhibition
2004	Warwick Quilters	Group exhibition
2004	Toowoomba Quilters	Group exhibition
2005	Toowoomba quilters	Group exhibition
2006	Toowoomba Quilters	Group exhibition
2006	Esk-Travaganza	Material Girls exhibit
2006	Queensland Quilters	Group exhibition
2007	Toowoomba Quilters	Group exhibition
2008	Feather & Lawrie Design	Shared Exhibition (3 artists)
2009	Queensland Quilters	Group Exhibition
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2012	NSW Quilters Guild	Group Exhibition

Awards

1996	<i>Warwick Quilters</i>	2 nd Viewer's Choice for Quilt Challenge
2004	<i>Toowoomba quilters</i>	13 th Viewer's Choice for "Crazy Cats"
2005	<i>Australasian Machine quilters Conference</i> , Mittagong NSW.	2 nd "Rookie of the Year" 3 rd "Whole Cloth Quilt"
		(for the quilt "We are Australian" designed by Irene Story , of Toowoomba)
2005	<i>Down Under Quilts Magazine</i>	finalist in the section "Professional Machine Quilting Service" for the <i>duQ Bernina Excellence in Patchwork Awards</i> .
2006	<i>Toowoomba Quilters Show</i>	1 st Viewer's Choice for "Gather ye Rosebuds"
2010	<i>Toowoomba Quilters Show</i>	2 nd Viewer's Choice for "The Sky is Blue, the Sea is Blue".
2010	<i>Queensland Quilters Show</i>	1 st prize Machine System Quilter for "The Sky is Blue, the Sea is Blue".
2012	Awarded 1 st prize Viewer's Choice	<i>Toowoomba Quilters Exhibition</i> for "A Year in My Garden"
2012	Awarded tied 2 nd place Viewer's Choice	<i>Queensland Quilters' Exhibition</i> For "A Year in My Garden"
2013	"Free, A Citizen of Woodfordia" – Selected as a	finalist for the Australian Quilt Convention Challenge.

Awards for Customers' Quilts

2006	<i>Kerrie Clan</i>	"Collaborative Quilt"	1 st Queensland Quilters
2007	<i>Karen Mersiades</i>	"Amateur Commercially Quilted"	1 st Queensland Quilters
2008	<i>Queensland Quilters Inc.</i>	"Pieces in Time" collaborative quilt.	Best in Show, Brisbane RNA Exhibition "Quilts Across Queensland"
2008	<i>Robyn Mallett</i>	"A Star is Born"	1 st Queensland Quilters
2008	<i>Toowoomba Quilters Inc.</i>	"Collaborative Quilt"	3 rd Queensland Quilters

2009 **Judi Bellingham** ÷Taken leaf From My Sensesö 1st Commercially Quilted
Vicki Jarrett ÷Summertime in Ilukaö 2nd Commercially Quilted

Awards for quilts made using Kathy's designs

2010 **Gather Ye Rosebuds** Queensland and Canberra State quilt exhibitions.

Teaching

2006 Quilters Angel, Highfields
In-store quilting classes ó 5 classes taught

2006 Toowoomba Quilters ó day workshop
÷Creative Notebook Coverö and ÷Artist Trading Cardsö

2007 ÷The Quilters Restö ó stained glass workshop

2007 Toowoomba Quilters ÷Visual Diaries for Beginnersö

2008 Moo Moo Stitches, Mooball NSW ÷Fur Feather Fin Funö

2010 Extensive demonstrations and workshops with quilting groups throughout SE and Western QLD

2011 Thursday KoolKats club established at Kathy's studio ó weekly classes

2013 Several workshops throughout SE QLD in Rag Rug Making and Wrapped Rope Bag making

Sponsorships and charity quilting

- Queensland Quilters ó Commercially Quilted Section
- Toowoomba Royal Show ó Quilting
- Crow's Nest Show ó Quilting
- Goombungee Show ó Quilting
- Oakey Show - Quilting
- Flood relief charity quilts ó Toowoomba and Darling Downs