



## **2021 FEATURED QUILTERS: Rose Lavrador and Patricia Christ**

### **PATRICIA CHRIST**

I, Patricia Christ, am honored to be a featured quilter at the 2021 Sun Country Quilt Show.

At nine years old, I started collecting scraps of fabric from the garments my mother made. She earned money for the family by sewing suits and formal wear for her customers which made fine scraps for me. I also saved flour sacks that I planned to use for backgrounds along with my scraps.

In the summer of 1948, our family camped out at a logging camp where both my parents had hired on for the summer. My mother worked as a cook and my father was a lumber jack. Taking my shoe boxes of fabric with me, I was able to complete the blocks for the quilt I now call FLYING BUTTERFLIES. For the sashing, my grandmother Isabel took me to the Five & Dime store in La Grande, Oregon to pick out sashing fabric. This was my first time to buy fabric of my choice from a store right off the bolt. The quilt top was completed before it was time to back to school in September.

Taking a weekend trip to McCloud, California, I stopped at a small quilt show where I purchased a book of quilt patterns. Using the patterns as a reference, I created by own quilting designs.

Truman, my husband, had a cousin visit us. She was a quilter much to my surprise. The next thing I know, she and her small group of ladies from Colfax, California and I were going on an annual quilting retreat in McCloud. We kept in touch and held those retreats for five years.

In early 1996, Babs Robinson invited me to the Sun Country Quilt Guild. At the first meeting, I paid my dues and started my quilting journey. Pat Huckabay attended that meeting with me and joined a couple of meetings later. We attended many classes and retreat together. All things for quilting were available. Magazines would showcase a variety of quilting tools and patterns. I purchased a Long Art quilting machine to be used to quilt large quilts.

I have taken advantage of quilting classes, Guild programs, and Guild retreats a couple of times a year to hone my quilting prowess.

I humbly present a smattering of the projects I have completed over the year. Again, I am honored to a featured quilter at this year's 2021 Sun Country Quilt Show.

Patricia Christ

### **ROSE LAVRADOR**

#### **"Threads Are My Meds"**

I have been quilting since the 1980s. My favorite techniques are wool applique, piecing blocks, embellishing with threads and beads and machine quilting. My favorite designers are Sue Spargo, Primitive Gatherings, Cindy Needham, French General, Laundry Basket Quilts and Yoko Saito. My favorite machines are Juki and Babylock Mid-arm.

I love the entire process: pulling colors together, piecing blocks, handwork using specialty threads and beads, then machine quilting designs onto the quilt with gorgeous threads!

Nothing more satisfying than the whole process! Enjoy the show,

Rose Lavrador