



# Nimble Fingers Quilters

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Quilt Challenge - 2024  
"Solid Gold"



Liz Jordan

*"And let there be  
for every pulse  
a thanksgiving, and  
for every breath  
a song."*



SherriJoyce King



Susan Schwarz



# Betsy Kulamer

Linda Ronstadt, "Silver threads and golden needles cannot mend this heart of mine."

Neil Young, "Keeps me searching for a heart of gold and I'm getting old."



# Jan Baweja

“Quilting Golden Moments”



# Annette Montone

## “Golden Spiral”

This spiral is a powerful symbol of connection and continuation. Over its 50 years of existence, Nimble Fingers has connected countless numbers of people - students, teachers and friends.

Members have come and gone. Some have passed on, but just as the spiral continues to spin, Nimble Fingers continues to be a space for creativity, generosity and friendship.



# Karen Lefkowitz

I enjoy making macro flowers and “Marigolds” seemed the most appropriate for a “Golden Anniversary”.



# Ruth Cohen

"Golden Leaves in the Autumn Breeze"



# Albert Feldman

“Golden Sunset”

I was inspired to produce a quilt depicting a sunset using the supplied fabric as the sun. Unfortunately, although the fabric contains gold colored thread, it has more of a brown appearance. I proceeded anyway.



# Barbara Coppola

My quilt represents the movement from the past into the light of the present. The gold and green circles represent golden quilting traditions and the green sprouts of new quilting ideas.



# Nancy Sharp

“Hollywood”

Hollywood silhouetted on Sunset Blvd., early evening dusk, while Ella Fitzgerald sings we’re building a “Stairway to the Stars” .....



# Joanne Schwandes

“Sunrise”

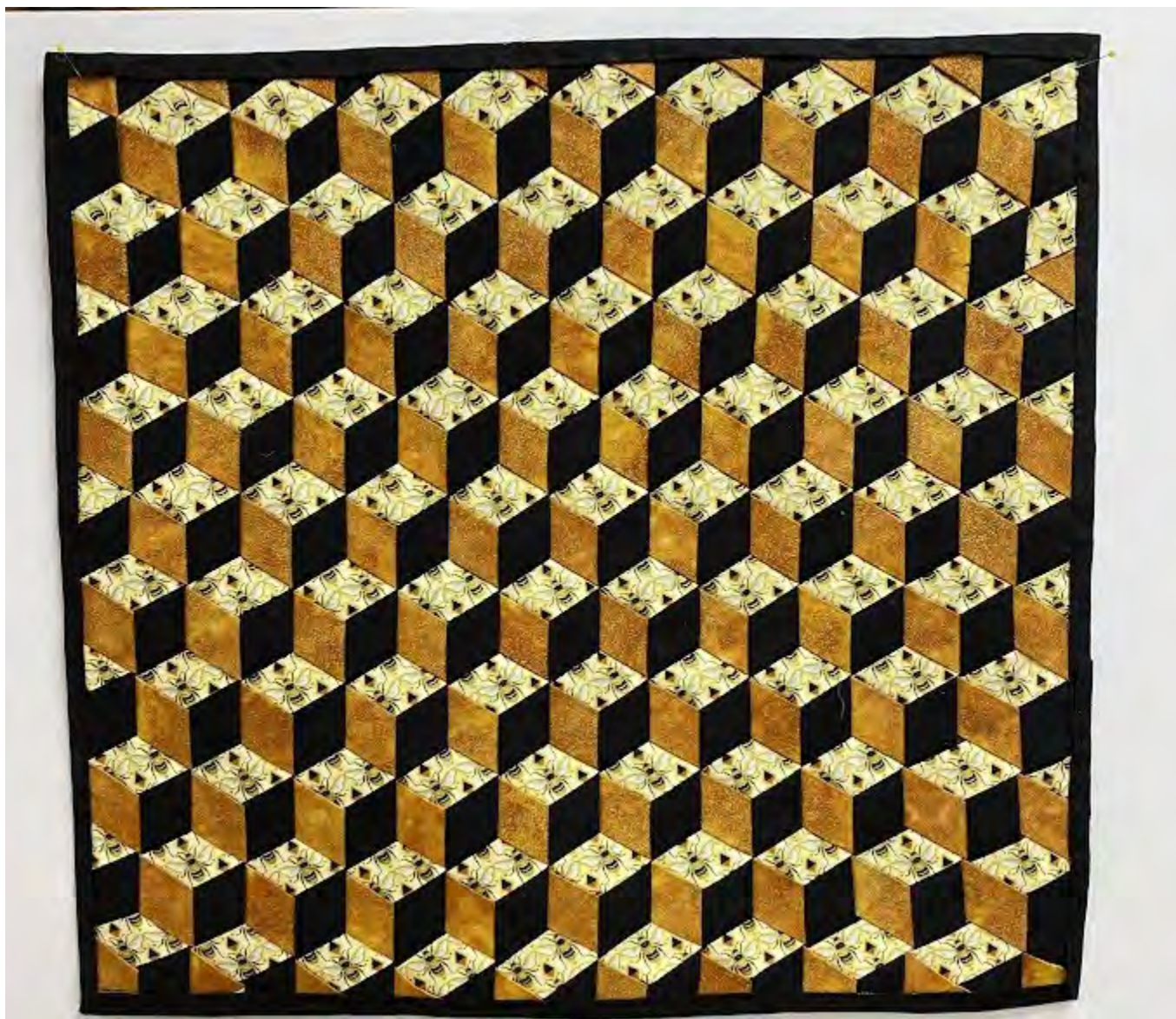
A golden sunrise  
Seen from a stand of birch trees along the  
water's edge.  
A new day.  
Golden opportunities.  
Peace. Harmony. Beauty.  
Solid Gold.



Elizabeth  
Newman



Helen Wasserman



# Laura Markus

I chose to do my challenge quilt as a fabric weave. To me it symbolizes that we are all connected as we weave our way through life. The gold diamonds represent our celebration of Nimble Fingers 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. I chose to use bee fabric because for a guild to thrive, there must be many worker bees contributing to make their honey in the hive. Nimble Fingers has been blessed through the 50 years to have a healthy hive that brings joy to so many through the opportunities to learn and share new skills, provide the Community with many hugs in the form of quilts, and form golden friendships that last forever.



# Karla Berg Walker

“5 Perfect 10’s = Solid Gold = Nimble Fingers”

Celebrating 50 years of learning, sharing, caring, friendship and doing for others sums up the Nimble Fingers Guild.

The gold is represented in the bow and the candlelight. Together the 5 candles represent 50 years.



# Karen Campbell

“Solid Gold Celebration!”

Gold bricks make a cake to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.



# Shirley Malia

“Golden Years”

My quilt, Golden Years, reflects the Nimble Fingers strong community of persons with common interests and diverse backgrounds. It emphasizes the learning opportunities, the socializing events, and the charity actions supported by the guild for the past 50 years.



Carolyn McShane



Mary Lou Dungan



# Janice Wheeler

The pineapple quilt pattern symbolizes hospitality. The many welcomes extended to me by my new Nimble Fingers Quilt Guild friends are “solid gold”. I quilted concentric rings to represent rings of friendship.

I used foundation paper piecing to visually enhance this traditional pattern.



# Ginny Leake

This sunburst represents the bright community of quilters in Nimble Fingers. Members are friendly, welcoming and happy to share their knowledge and love of quilting.



# Nan Highland

The Churn Dash block is a very old nine patch quilt pattern, originating between 1800 and 1849. It is said to resemble a butter churn when looking down upon it. This block is also simple to learn and to construct, but a quilt made from them can be intricate and creative.

I chose the Churn Dash to symbolize “solid gold” because the butter churn produced “solid gold” for families in the early 1800’s. I filled my Churn Dash blocks with Nimble Fingers “solid gold”.



# Lois Kutun

Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Nimble Fingers  
Quilters have hearts of solid gold!



# Natalie Felsher

## "Rolling Blocks"

This pattern of Unstructured Rolling Blocks was selected to represent the multitude of things learned, the enjoyment of belonging and the fulfillment of a dream of always wanting to learn how to quilt.

When I walked into my first meeting 16 years ago I was truly a beginner. I knew how to sew but not how to quilt or all the things one needs to create a quilt. I received the knowledge needed at the meetings and in the small groups. I learned by observing skilled and sharing members so that today I do a fairly decent job creating a quilt. The most important thing I learned was "Patience". Mistakes are learning lesson and trying again (and again) usually results in what you originally intended. Your ripper and ripping are positives.

This piece allows me to thank all the members of Nimble Fingers for being supportive and encouraging. So many of you work hard to make the Guild how wonderful it is.

Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

# Katie Goldfarb

The gold background = solid gold foundation.

The Baltimore Album Quilt is the “leitmotif” of my quilting experience but Nimble Fingers has been a “solid gold” source of inspiration, education, fun and friendship for me.





# Liz Brodsky

“Golden Circle of Friends”

This quilt is my interpretation of solid gold showing how we as guild members are all connected to each other through the guild.

The outer circles represent the individual members of our guild evenly spaced around the center ray block which represents our guild in its many colorful dimensions spreading from our guild center.

Interestingly, the quilting design is a long arm pattern called African Friendship created by Wasatch Designs in 2022.

I enjoyed making this quilt and hope you enjoy seeing it.



# Kim Jalette

While planning the 50th anniversary celebration for Nimble Fingers, we reviewed history of the guild. The emphasis on friendship and community was always front and center from the very beginning. This continues today into year 50 and we know it will continue in the years to come, making Nimble Fingers a special place.

Our challenge theme of “Solid Gold” applies to the solid and precious foundation laid by our founding members in 1974. We are grateful to be a part of this wonderful quilt guild.

Mary Campbell



Thank you to all of our members who participated in celebrating the Nimble Fingers “Solid Gold” quilt challenge!

The quilts will be on display in the Gallery at Capital Quilts during the month of July, 2024.

*Here's to the next 50 years!!!*