

Business Happenings

Find All Your Sewing Fabrics, Notions at Canyonland Quilts Shop Offers Variety of Classes

by Sharon Sullivan

Chyrrel Meyer turned a passion into a business when she opened Canyonland Quilts in June 2018. Meyer grew up doing a lot of hand-quilting as a child. She'd watch her mother sew, as well as her grandfather – a cabinet-maker who also quilted until the age of 97.



Canyonland Quilts sells everything you need to make your own quilted items. The shop stocks quality fabrics, sewing notions, threads, patterns, books and sewing machines – including longarm sewing machines to accommodate a king-sized quilt.

“Plus, there are fun gift things – gadgets for sewers,” Meyer said.

Perhaps you're interested but don't know how or where to begin? Canyonland Quilts teaches a variety of classes at the shop – see sidebar or check out the web site to see what classes are offered this winter. Among the offerings are “Grandma and Me” classes held on a Saturday each month.

“It's for grandmas, moms, and kids – both boys and girls – to teach the next generation to sew and quilt,” Meyer said.

There are monthly project classes, too, that people can sign up for. This year, the theme is table-toppers with each month's design a different pattern related to a holiday or

season. Sewers can learn a lot of skills by working on small projects like these, Meyer said. The table-toppers are 36-by-36 inches long.

Canyonland Quilts will host a retreat January 19-22, with Carmen Geddes, of TenSisters Handicraft. The retreat will be held at the Moab Valley Inn, 711 S. Main St. Retreat-goers can choose five out of 15

different classes available that weekend.



In June, a national educator will come to the shop to teach how to use the longarm sewing machine. Individuals who purchase a longarm machine from Canyonland Quilts, receive a free set-up and training from Meyer, plus a 20% lifetime discount on everything in the store.

Canyonland Quilts is located at 11850 S. Hwy 191, building B7, inside the Moab Business Park, south of downtown Moab. Shop hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information visit: canyonlandquilts.com. Canyonland Quilts can be reached at 435-355-0358, or 435-668-7454.

Schedule of Classes

Moab Quilting Retreat January 19-22
Moab Valley Inn Convention Center
\$170 includes lunch, free raffle items
Half-day class cost is \$20; Full-day classes are \$40

Carry on the Tradition First Saturday of each month
Jan. 1: Class 9 patch, taught by Chyrrel Meyer
Feb. 5: Beginning Embroidery, Crystal Day
March 5: Jelly Roll Rug, Crystal Day
April 2: Beginning Applique, Pat Byrd
May 7: Clothesline Bowls, Mary Wakeley
June 4: Wool Soap Felting, Crystal Day
Cost: \$15 for each class

Beginning Quilting taught by Mary Wakeley
March 9, 16, 23, from 2-5 p.m.
Three-week course: \$75

Gallery Happenings

January at Gallery Moab

by Thea Nordling

2021 was a banner year for Gallery Moab! Thanks to the support of the Moab community and our visitors, our cooperative gallery grew and thrived. We are optimistic that 2022 will be another rewarding and successful year as a showcase for the talents of local artists.



Amber Honour

We welcome Amber Honour as a new member artist. Growing up in Moab's colorful landscape and vibrant art community fueled her creativity since childhood. “I've been an artist for as long as I can remember, spending countless hours as a kid drawing anything that happened to be in

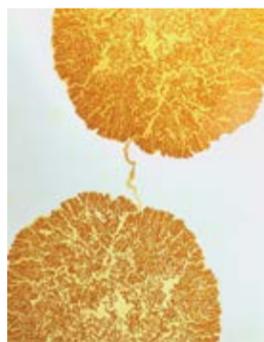
front of me,” she says. She later moved on to photography and then oil painting. “I took a long hiatus from art in my 20s,” she recounts, “but after moving back to my hometown with my young family, I picked it back up again... [and] did a deep dive into learning everything I could about oil painting.”

At first she worked slowly, working on one painting for weeks, but after discovering the daily painting movement (finishing 30 paintings in 30 days) she was hooked on working faster. She says, “I do still occasionally work longer on some pieces, however, I prefer how a painting comes together in one sitting. While oil is my main love in art, I'm also drawn to ink and gouache.”



'Set Afire' by Amber Honour

landscape. Her newest work is a series of prints inspired by the shape, texture, and color of the lichens she noticed growing on rocks, thinking that somehow they would become a visual subject to explore in her linocut printmaking. That happened this year. She explains her process for creating this recent work: “I cut oversized and life-sized shapes of lichen out of linoleum, gouged interior surface textures, rolled them with ink and started printing. I worked in an ‘organic’ way, arranging the lichen shapes on, and sometimes going off the edges of the picture plane.” She adds, “I let the lichen prints suggest other ideas to me and to the viewer. These ideas are suggested in my titles: Networks, Creation, Pathways, and Virus.” The prints you see in the gallery are Monoprints, or one-of-a-kind prints, not printed in editions. Still exploring the subject, Deborah says, “I am allowing the lichen to lead my way.”



'Creation' by Deborah McDermott

There is something for every taste and budget at Gallery Moab. Here you'll find a variety of original paintings in oil, acrylic, watercolor and pastel, as well as photography, prints, cards, sculpture, wood carving, glass, fabric art, and jewelry. One of the artists is always on hand to answer your questions and help you find that perfect gift or memento.

We will be closed for cleaning January 1 – 12 and reopening on January 13. We look forward to your visit!



'Networks' by Deborah McDermott



Linocut lichen shapes ready for printing. by Deborah McDermott

Open Sunday 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.
Monday to Thursday 12 noon - 4:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday 12 noon - 7:00 p.m.
Call 435-220-0891 and we will gladly open by appointment during other hours.

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