

## Free Stage Presentations and Highlights

Quilt Show Reno is proud to offer new and exciting free presentations for all show attendees from the Main Stage throughout the show.

Plan now to spend some time at the Main Stage learning the latest quilting and sewing tips and techniques from the experts for FREE!

**Thursday, June 11, 2026**



**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

### **Threadology**

*Micki Chappellear - Superior Threads*

Everything thread, needle, and tension.

Each attendee for the stage presentation will be provided with the Superior Threads Resource Guide. Along with the guide, attendees will also receive discount coupons to use for their purchases. These resources are designed to enhance the experience and offer valuable savings to those present. [superiorthreads.com](http://superiorthreads.com)

**11:30 AM - 12:00 PM**

### **Innovative Quilt Making: Blending Modern and Traditional Techniques**

*Jennifer Wagner - Snapdragon Quilting*

Expand your quilting repertoire with a lecture that blends storytelling, a trunk show, and live demonstrations of the techniques that define my quilt-making process. Together, we'll celebrate the traditional roots of quilting while exploring fresh, innovative methods that push design beyond the classic quilt block. You'll see finished quilts up close and learn how to incorporate a range of approachable techniques into your own work, including:

- Curved Piecing – Achieve smooth, beautiful curves with confidence.
- Reverse Appliqué – Add intricate details in a surprisingly simple way.
- Ghost Stitch Appliqué – My modern twist on reverse appliqué with invisible seams.
- Foundation Paper Piecing – Unlock precision and bold design possibilities.
- Glue Basting – Make your piecing more accurate with this game-changing method.



Whether you're seeking fresh inspiration or practical skills to elevate your quilting, this lecture will leave you energized, equipped, and ready to approach your next project in new and creative ways.

**1:00 PM - 1:30 PM**

**The Art of Zippers—Creative & Trouble-Free Stitching**

*Linda McGehee - Ghee's*

Zippers have been puzzling for many years. They have gotten a bad rap as being difficult to insert. Yet, they are simple to install when stitched correctly with the proper feet. Learn how to insert zippers using the All-Purpose Foot and the Edge Stitching Foot. You'll marvel at the ease of inserting zippers in handbags, pockets, pillows, and garments. Let the zipper make a statement on your next project by using the zipper as a focal point.



The opportunities are endless, and the results are so much fun. Whether for garments or bags, inserting zippers is a trouble-free, easy process. BTW, also learn how easy it is to put a zipper back together when the slider comes off!



**2:00 PM - 2:30 PM**

**Tips and Tricks!!**

*Connie Spurlock - Sew Wonderful Dreams*

If you enjoy learning simple and fast shortcuts, you're in luck. After over 40 years of design

experience, sometimes learning the hard way, we've discovered some of the most effective tips to save you time and improve your results. When someone claims things can be done quicker, easier, and better, there's almost always a way, and we're here to share those methods with you. Plus, you'll have fun and pick up some creative gift ideas along the way.



**3:00 PM - 3:45 PM**

**Dream it - Create it - Share it: THE REAL QUILTERS FASHION SHOW**

*Sponsored by Fabric-Chicks Creative Oasis*

3 Days of Fashion Fun

Get ready to experience three days filled with fashion excitement! Everyone is encouraged to participate and help transform the Vendor Mall into a vibrant, interactive show-and-tell runway.

Showcase Your Creativity

Attendees are invited to wear garments and accessories that they've made themselves—whether designed from scratch or creatively repurposed. This includes restyled clothing, bedazzled and upcycled pieces, tote bags, hats, belts, and shoes. Makers are encouraged to create and inspire others with their unique flair!

## Raffle Opportunities

Throughout each day, raffle tickets will be distributed to attendees who are proudly wearing their handmade creations. Winners will be selected during the afternoon's purple carpet event, held on the free stage, offering a fun incentive to showcase your work and join the celebration.

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### 4:00 PM Super Prizes Giveaway

Don't miss this chance to win great prizes. Attendees will have multiple opportunities to win valuable prizes.

**Grand Prizes** – you must be present to win  
Winners will receive Grand Prizes sponsored by the participating vendors. One lucky person will WIN a sewing machine sponsored by Sierra Sewing, Quilting, & Vacuums.



### More Prize Opportunities

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**Friday, June 12, 2026**



**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

**The Wonderful 10-degree Ruler - so many projects, so easy, so fast!**

*Connie Spurlock - Sew Wonderful Dreams*

Not a quilter? This ruler is easy to use, requires minimal math, and offers many options for fast, impressive results.





**11:30 AM – 12:00 PM**  
**See Your Quilt Before You Sew It!**  
*Cyndi Peterson – Quilt Duck*

Quilt Duck lets you see your finished quilt top before you cut your fabric! Take photos of fabric from your stash or at the store, choose from dozens of patterns, and design the look you love before making any cuts. Use bold colors! Match colors and patterns without carrying swatches around.

At Quilt Duck, we've got you covered!

**12:30 PM – 1:00 PM**  
**Come “Cuddle” with me!!**  
*Stacy Surina – Custom Creations*

Join Stacy for a fun and informative class on how to sew with Cuddle/Minky. She will give you all the tips and tricks for working with this type of fabric.



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**Veterans Quilts for Veterans Presentation**

*Sponsored by Fabric-chicks Creative Oasis*

Honoring deserving soldiers with heartfelt thanks for their service to our country.

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## Special Event presented by Rob Appell

### *Quilts from the Sea and Beyond*

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM



#### **Quilts from the Sea and Beyond**

*A Trunk Show of Quilts & Fun Stories presented by Rob Appell*

\$18.00 Tickets available at [quiltshowreno.com](http://quiltshowreno.com) or during the show at the information desk in the show lobby.

This wonderful trunk show is Rob Appell's journey through life as a quilt maker. He will present about 30 of his quilts and walk you through his inspiration, challenges, and successes.



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**Fusible Appliqué**

*Connie Spurlock - Sew Wonderful Dreams*

We will give you the tips and tricks as you learn how fun and easy fusible appliqué can be. Learn about the versatility of patterns, how to choose the right fusible, tracing your pattern pieces, and, just as important, how to get the most out of the applique pressing sheet. Discover the technique for achieving perfect satin stitching to finish those raw edges, as well as the benefits of using batik fabric for your appliqué pieces. You will easily find success in your appliqué project and love the great results - perfect even for the beginner.



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**Awards Ceremony, 8th Annual Trash to Treasures Challenge**

*Sponsored by Fabric-Chicks Creative Oasis*

Be sure to arrive early for the awards ceremony to secure a good seat and enjoy the showcase of creativity at its finest. This event celebrates the imaginative talents of participants in the 2026 Trash to Treasures Viewer's Choice Awards competition.

**Prize Information**

The winners of this year's competition will be recognized with Award Ribbons and Gift Certificates to Fabric-Chicks Creative Oasis in Gardnerville, NV. The prizes are as follows:

- 1st Place: \$200.00 Gift Certificate
- 2nd Place: \$100.00 Gift Certificate
- 3rd Place: \$50.00 Gift Certificate

Additionally, two special award ribbons will be presented:

- The Director's Choice, selected by Fabric-Chicks Creative Oasis
- Honorable Mention, also awarded by Fabric-Chicks Creative Oasis



**2:45 PM**

**Opportunity Quilt Winner Announcement**

*Sponsored by Truckee Meadow Quilt Guild*

For a chance to win- Stop by the Truckee Meadows Quilt Guild Booth #425 to get your tickets for the Truckee Meadows Quilt Guild's gorgeous Opportunity Quilt.

Your purchase directly supports the Veterans Guest House — a wonderful way to give back and maybe take home a beautiful quilt.

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### **Grand Prizes**

The top winner on Saturday will receive a one-year subscription to Quilting Daily TV, sponsored by Quilting Daily.

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