



Rebecca Blosser Quilts

Quilt Historian ✂️ Quilt Appraiser

Rebecca Blosser is a quilt maker, long arm quilter, researcher of quilt history and collector of vintage and antique quilts. She is the proprietor of Rebecca Blosser Quilts. Rebecca did her first quilt appraisals in 2019 and continues appraising at shows, and for local collectors and quilters by appointment. She formally appraises antique, vintage, contemporary and art quilts for insurance replacement value, market value and donation value. Consultation services are also available for estate planning.

Rebecca lectures for guilds on quilt history, fabric/quilt dating. Her specialty is the history of 20th Century Crib Quilts, and she spoke on this topic at the American Quilt Study Group's Seminar in September 2022. A study center is planned at the 2024 Seminar in New York.

To further support the knowledge necessary to appraise, Rebecca has taken numerous additional courses online, and attended workshops by renowned quilt historians to study fabric dating, textile history, and quilt making history. Rebecca is knowledgeable in pattern identification, construction techniques, standard professional appraisal practices, and best practices for preservation of quilts in general. These experiences plus having an extensive reference library help her to appraise your quilts and give you information that will bring a greater appreciation and understanding of what you own. Rebecca has been an appraiser at both Road to California in Ontario, CA, as well as Quilt, Inc Quilt Festival in Long Beach, CA

***For this show Rebecca will donate a free appraisal to the winner of the Viewer's Choice Award!**
****for a donation of \$10.00s to the California Heritage Quilt Project, Rebecca will give you a verbal evaluation of your vintage or antique quilt. You will get a receipt to this non-profit organization that documents California quilts and promotes quilt making**

Reasons to consider getting a quilt appraisal

- Insurance Coverage: To protect new and old quilts in case of fire, other types of damage or theft.
- Making Donations: Donations are always appraised at fair market value.
- Estate Planning/Settlement/General Sales: For Estate settlement/disbursement, divorce, etc., market value is based on sales of comparable items
- Exhibit or Contest Entries: To establish a value for shipping and show insurance.
- Gain Information About Your Quilt: Sometimes you want to know the quilt pattern, circa date and other information an appraiser can tell you about your quilt

Value Considerations:

- Condition: Fading, holes, stains and shredding of fabric may reduce the value. Quilts in excellent condition may increase their value.
- Construction techniques: Smooth curves, and sharp points that indicate excellent skills in workmanship may have more value.
The amount of quilting and quilting stitches, workmanship, will add or detract from the total value.
- Hand or machine quilting: Every method is evaluated on its density, complexity, execution, and workmanship.
- Artistic concepts: The subject matter of the design, color choices, balance in addition to an overall look may add value.
- Artist's resume: Maker's accomplishments in the quilt world, including juried exhibits, awards won, publications and record of sales are considered.
- Provenance: The historical significance of the quilt, its' maker, place of origin, reason for making the quilt may all influence the value.