

## About Sue Siefkin



A passionate quilt artist, I have been sewing all my life. I first began making traditional quilts in 1990, joined a guild (Country Crossroads Quilters of Modesto, California), and began developing my quilt repertoire. In 1999 a five day seminar with quilt artist Joan Colvin in Asilomar, Pacific Grove, California, radically altered my quilt-making trajectory. Since then I have focused almost exclusively on producing original textile “paintings.” Inspired by travel and by works of nature- tide pools, ponds, trees, wildlife, Japanese gardens and rock formations among them – I

develop my own designs. Freed from the traditional quilt block format, I now paint and dye many of my own fabrics and collage them by fusing, embellishing and free-motion quilting.

My art work is exhibited principally in galleries and museums on the West Coast with Studio Art Quilts Associates (SAQA). I have exhibited with two other artists at the San Jose Museum of Quilts and in quilt shows such as the Pacific International Quilt Festival (Santa Clara, California), Road to California (Ontario, California), and in local gallery exhibitions. I occasionally teach and also lecture on the history of traditional and art quilting illustrated with a collection of representative quilt styles.

A current exhibition schedule and gallery of my work may be found at my website, [www.suesiefkin.com](http://www.suesiefkin.com)

In addition to Studio Art Quilts Associates and Country Crossroads quilters, I am an active member of Art Focus, Central California Art Association, Carnegie Art Center and Chella Gonsalves' monthly art critique group. In addition to Joan Colvin I have studied with many other outstanding teachers, including Sue Benner, Betty Busby, Velda Newman.

I live in Modesto, California with my husband, Randy Siefkin. I am a retired California Superior Court Judge.

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