

2022 Sedona Quilters Hall of Fame Award Winner “Swimming Through Last Year”

Patsy Kittridge is the recipient of the 2022 Sedona Quilters Hall of Fame award for her quilt “Swimming Through Last Year.” Her quilt will hang at Sedona Arts Center’s Gallery in Uptown during the month of April. This year’s winning quilt is an art quilt that depicts the artist’s experience during the pandemic.

Patsy took a beginning quilt class in 1992 while pregnant with her twin daughters. But it wasn't until about 2000 that she began taking quilting seriously. Patsy joined Sedona Red Rock Quilters about then, took classes from top art quilt teachers, and met a lot of wonderful friends through the quilting world.

Her usual technique involves working from photos of both landscapes and portraits with an occasional abstract or fantasy piece thrown in.

"Swimming Through Last Year" covers March 2020 through March 2021. Patsy describes her quilt, “I wanted to use up scraps, so I made quite a few scrap squares. Putting the squares on a design wall reminded me of crazy quilts, which led to thinking about the "crazy" previous year. It became my covid quilt which I never intended to show anyone. The quilted phrases cover both personal and national events with the good news more towards the top.”