

# Curatorial Statement

The Chandler Center for the Arts  
250 North Arizona Avenue  
Chandler, Arizona 85225

## Art Quilts XIX: Permission to Play Storytelling Art Quilts 2014-2015

Art Quilts XIX “Permission to Play” is an exhibition of storytelling art quilts that portray whimsical and humorous journeys into life. The Call to Artists asked art quilters to allow the fantasy story, that every artist wants to tell, come alive. Each selected quilt leads us to an individual story...

Hawaiian Fiber artist Kathleen Kastles finds realism play in unusual circumstances with the painterly effect in “Name That Tune.” Gabriele Di Tota, from Florida, creates two dimensional with make-believe elements, writes a family story with “Too Good to be True.” Laurie Fagen, from Arizona, is “Spiraling in Control” and showcases a three dimensional art quilt designed with clever articulation. The story is a play on words that evokes the feeling of hard work at play. Judith Roderick speaks volumes and takes us on a mystical story on silk in “Mayan Journey Quilt”.

Stop by the Chandler Center for the Arts in November or December to experience and enjoy 69 fiber artworks that explore art quilters’ playful responses to the call for artworks that tell stories. The artists chose important and personal stories to tell and I was happy and honored to give them the “Permission to Play.”

Denise A. Currier, Curator/Juror