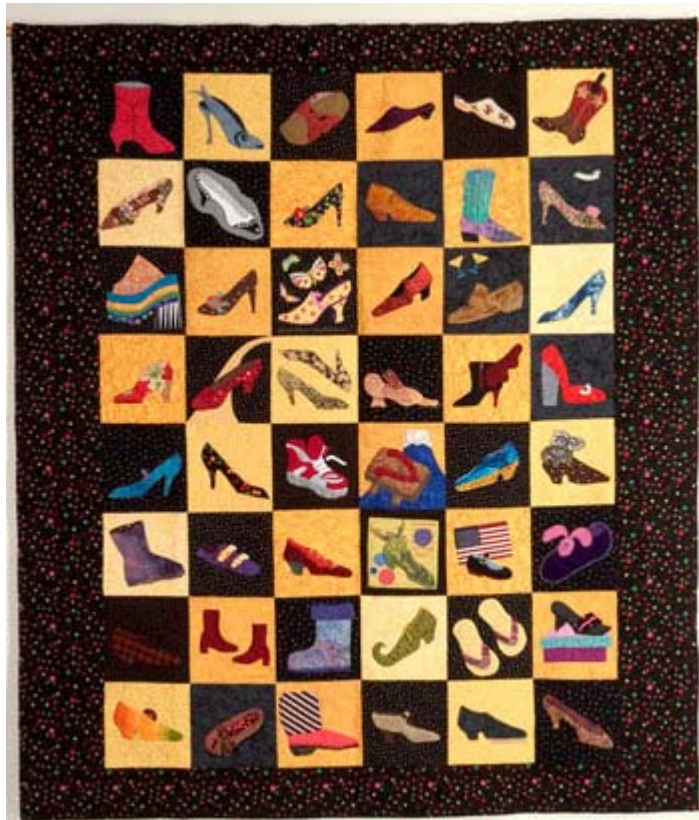


Famous Quilt Artists Create *Shoefly Quilt*

Barbara Brackman has been coordinating a fundraising quilt that will be auctioned on Ebay from Sunday May 21st through May 28th. Be sure to check in and watch the bids go up on her *Shoefly Quilt*, or better yet, put your own bid in on this unique fundraiser.



Famous quilters have stitched 48 shoe designs in this one-of-a-kind art quilt. Quilt collectors will want to purchase this unusual quilt featuring the original designs and signatures of so many well-known quilters in one piece.

Among those who signed blocks are Alex Anderson, host of HGTV's *Simply Quilts*, Elly Sienkiewicz and Marsha McCloskey, known for their books, fabric and quilts, and Earlene Fowler, who writes quilt-related mystery novels. Some who created their own shoe patterns include Jane Sassaman, Joe Cunningham, Judy Warren Blaydon, Linda Jenkins, Becky Goldsmith, Judy Mathieson and Ruth McDowell, all famous for significant

contributions to contemporary quilt style. Pattern and fabric designers include Sandy Klop, Melissa Becker, Wendy Morris, Jo Morton, Pat Sloan, Lynda Hall, Cherie Ralston, Sue Spargo and Karla Menaugh. Quilt historians and authors include Cuesta Benberry, Barbara Brackman, Bettina Havig, Erma Kirkpatrick, Judy Severson, Kathlyn Sullivan and Merikay Waldvogel.

Shoes depicted are classic and contemporary---from black-and-white spectator pumps to Uggs, flip-flops and Birkenstocks. International footwear includes Turkish carpet slippers with a tassel and Japanese wooden clogs with Mount Fuji in the background. Cowboy boots and a Ruby Slipper on a Yellow Brick Road add a mythical Kansas flavor.

The complete list includes Alex Anderson, Allie Aller, Melissa Becker, Cuesta Benberry, Sharon Bass, Judi Warren Blaydon, Barbara Brackman, Vivian Capone, Pam Crooks, Joe Cunningham, Nadra Dangerfield, Georgann Eglinski, Bobbi Finley, Earlene Fowler, Becky Goldsmith, Shirley Greenhoe, Lynda Hall, Bettina Havig, Leigh Hay-Martin, Ann Hyatt, Linda Jenkins, Carol Gilham Jones, Erma Kirkpatrick, Sandy Klop, Janet Locey, Marsha McCloskey, Carol McCrea,

Ruth McDowell, Judy Mathieson, Karla Menaugh, Wendy Morris, Jo Morton, Janet Perkins, Cherie Ralston, Mata Rolston, Jeanne Creighton Redmond, Carmel Reitman, Deb Rowden, Joan Rudman, Jane Sassaman, Judy Severson, Elly Sienkiewicz, Pat Sloan, Sue Spargo, Jean Stanclift, Kathlyn Sullivan and Merikay Waldvogel. Lori Kukuk quilted the quilt on a long-arm machine.

For over sixty years, the Social Service League of Lawrence, Kansas, has been obtaining new school shoes for families who can't afford them. During the current school year, 95 children benefited. Organizers hope to fund the charity for the 2005-2006 school year with the *Shoefly Quilt*.