# Claire Passmore

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Textile artist and author with a growing portfolio of varied accomplishments, including a growing presence at many international juried exhibitions, several private commissions and a desire to facilitate her own development and that of others in the field of art quilting. Possesses a positive, energetic and wide ranging approach to her work by the use of complex layers, both literally and metaphorically. She is strongly influenced by matters of social

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

#### Juried Exhibitions:

**2018** Wide Horizons VI SAQA, Europe, 23rd Carrefour Européen Patchwork (Catalogue)

**2018** Loaded Conversations SAQA, San Jose, California (Catalogue)

2018 OURstory
2017 HERstory
Curated by Susanne Miller Jones, Houston, TX (Book)
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**2017** Textile Posters SAQA, Houston, TX (Catalogue)

**2017** Made in Europe SAQA, Europe, Daytona Beach, FL (Catalogue)

**2016** Wide Horizons V SAQA, Europe, 22nd Carrefour Européen Patchwork (Catalogue)

2016 Turmoil SAQA, Houston TX (Catalogue)2016 La Liberté Quilt Expo en Beaujolais, 1st Prize

**2016** My Corner of the World SAQA, Stratford, Ontario, Canada (Catalogue)

2015 Elements Contemporary Quilt Guild of the British Isles (Catalogue)2014 Dislocation Contemporary Quilt Guild of the British Isles (Catalogue)

## **Group Exhibitions:**

**2018** Unfolding Stories 3: Contemporary Quilters West, Kingsbridge, UK (Catalogue)

2016 Unfolding Stories 2: Contemporary Quilters West, Frome, UK

2014 Unfolding Stories 1: Contemporary Quilters West, Bradford on Avon, UK

## **Solo Exhibition:**

**2015** 'Here and Far' Midsomer Quilting, Somerset UK

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Self-employed Textile Artist Plymouth, UK; CapeTown, South Africa; Tauranga, New Zealand 2014 – Present

Design, create, and deliver textile art pieces for private clients

Design and create art guilts for exhibition according to specifications

Teach quilting and surface design to Guilds, groups and private individuals

Joint organizer of the Contemporary Quilt Group of The Quilters Guild of the British Isles annual challenge and exhibition from 2014 to 2016

Website designer and webmaster for own site and other clients

Exhibition Co-coordinator for SAQA Europe & Middle East and Contemporary Quilters West

#### PUBLICATIONS AS AUTHOR

Exhibition Catalogue for Contemporary Quilters West 'Unfolding stories 3'

Quilting Originals: Designing your own quilts ISBN 1505890608, Published March 2015

Blog: clairepassmore.weebly.com/blog

## **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

British Patchwork and Quilting Magazine: April 2018

Devon Life Magazine: April 2018

Quilting Arts Magazine: Issues 66, 69, 72, 78 & 94

Contemporary Quilt Magazine: May 2015, May 2018

## **TEACHING**

**UK:** Regular teacher of contemporary patchwork and surface design to adults and

young people at Midsomer Quilting (Somerset) and Zoe's @ Thimblestitch

(Devon)

http://www.clairepassmore.com/teaching.html

1 Day workshops for Quilting and Embroidery Guild groups nationwide

Author of Quilting Originals: designing your own art quilts

South Africa: Voluntary work with groups of disadvantaged women and refugees. Teaching

patchwork, embroidery, literacy and business skills (2011 to 2014)

## TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

2015 - 2017 Artist talks and lectures to regional and local groups of the Quilters Guild of the

British Isles and Embroiderers Guilds across the UK

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Quilters Guild of the British Isles Contemporary Quilt Group of the Quilters Guild of the British Isles Studio Art Quilt Associates Contemporary Quilters West Invited member of '12 by the Dozen'

## **EDUCATION**

University of Wales, Cardiff, UK Graduated with a Bachelor of Education (Hons) 1990