

Confabulation

- DESIGN & QUILTING BY: Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry
- DATE 2023
- SIZE: 61" wide X 84" high
- MATERIALS: Fabric: 100% cotton • Batting: 50% cotton / 50% bamboo • Thread: acrylic & polyester
- TECHNIQUES: original design, digital painting, digital printing, machine quilting
- IDENTIFYING MARKS: Signature & label
- PHOTO: Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry
- PRICE: \$18000.00

Design Concept & Process:

Confabulation: An exchange of viewpoints or advice for the purpose of finding a solution to a problem.

Confab: Consult, confer, discuss, talk, parley, counsel, advise, deliberate, debate

This design began as a series of pencil drawings of herons and cranes on paper. These were scanned into Corel Draw and arranged into a single design. Each bird was digitally painted in a different color or hue, using many different shades from light to dark, to create luminosity and depth. The colors of the birds form a color wheel with warm colors on the right side and cool colors on the left. Two sets of colors form the watery background. One set comes from a photo of one of my dye-painted fabrics and the other is a subtle gradation from yellow at the bottom to purple at the top, contrasting with the color flow of the birds.

Each individual feather was quilted in a traditional quilters feather pattern, in contrasting shades. The background was quilted in long looping meander patterns suggesting water. The backing is a one-of-a-kind, dye-painted fabric.

The digital printing was done by Spoonflower in two sections, which were pieced together to form the 61" wide quilt top. The matching binding strips were printed at the same time.

Click the pictures for a slide-show of how this quilt was designed and made.



Exhibitions:

- Houston Quilt Festival, Judged Show, George Brown Convention Center, Houston, TX, November 1-5, 2023
- Photos, Pixels, & Pizzazz: Recent Quilts by Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry, Iowa Quilt Museum, Winterset Iowa, December 12, 2023 - March 10, 2023
- Photos, Pixels, & Pizzazz: Recent Quilts by Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry, Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum, Golden CO, 7/22 – 10/19, 2024
- A Life in Color: 50-year Retrospective Solo Exhibition, National Quilt Museum, Paducah, KY, March 14-October 7, 2025

Publications:

- None as of 1/19/2025



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