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Dear Quilt Teachers

As you may be aware, one of SAQG's main objectives is **to encourage high standards of quilt design and workmanship** and we feel that one of the best ways in which we can do this is to ensure that we have the very best quilt teachers possible. To that end, SAQG is offering Quilt Teacher Accreditation Courses, the first one having started in January of 2014 and the next one to begin in 2016.

This accreditation course has been focused on providing new and less experienced teachers with the means to become excellent quilt teachers. It also serves as the first year of the Guild Judging qualification.

We now need to address the issue of those experienced teachers who have chosen not to participate in an accreditation course but who are deserving of recognition due to their expertise, experience and dedicated service as quilt teachers.

At the SAQG meeting in July 2014, important decisions were made about granting SAQG Recommended Quilt Teacher status:

- Quilt teachers throughout South African have until Friday, 31 July 2016 to apply for SAQG Recommended Quilt Teacher status.
- After July 2016, quilt teachers will only be able to become accredited through completing the SAQG Quilt Teachers Accreditation Course.
- From 2017, only Accredited or Recommended quilt teachers will be eligible to teach at National Quilt Festivals.
- A panel, appointed by the SAQG representatives, will consider the applications for SAQG Recommended Quilt Teacher status.
- Standards for granting Recommended status must be kept high, in accordance with the high standards that have been set by the Quilt Teachers Accreditation Course.

Benefits of achieving Recommended Status are:

- Free listing on the SAQG website
- The prestige of SAQG recognition (with badge and certificate)
- Eligibility to teach at South African National Quilt Festivals.

To apply for SAQG Recommended Quilt Teacher status, please do the following:

1. Fill in the **application form** (enclosed at the bottom of this letter) and include proof of deposit for the R100 application fee.
2. Include your **Quilting CV** (timeline, awards, publications, formal and informal studies, national and international participation in exhibitions etc).
3. Include your **Quilt Teaching CV** (including specifics of teaching or lecture engagements over the past 10 years – where, when, for who, class/course/lecture content – as well as you can remember them).
4. Write a short **Motivation** stating your teaching philosophy, motivation for wanting to be considered, as well as expressing your passion and commitment to excellent quilt teaching standards.
5. Include **3 references**, with contact details. They could include:
  - a. National Quilt Festival committee member in charge of teachers
  - b. Guild committee person in charge of education/workshops
  - c. Mini-festival organizer (such as Fynbos or Quilt Indaba)
  - d. Other organizers of teaching events
6. **Submit** your completed application, CV's, motivation, reference contacts and proof of payment to SAQG by e-mail or post to:

**Sue Prins**

028 314 1918

072 248 3425

[sjprins@mweb.co.za](mailto:sjprins@mweb.co.za)

310 Second Street

Voëlklip

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7. The application will be reviewed by the appointed panel and a decision will be made as soon as possible. You may be asked to submit samples of your work.

Warm regards

Sue Prins

President, SAQG

## Application for SAQG Recommended Quilt Teacher Status

Name: .....

Address: .....

..... Postal code .....

Contact details: Cell phone: ..... Home Phone: .....

E-mail: .....

Guild Affiliation: .....

I am a member of SAQG through:  Guild affiliation  Individual SAQG member

I am currently teaching quilting  Yes  No

### Please attach:

- Your **Quilting CV**, including a timeline, awards, publications, formal and informal studies, national and international participation in exhibitions etc
- Your **Teaching CV**, including specifics of teaching engagements over the past **10** years
- Three **teaching references** with contact details
- Your **Motivation** for and philosophy of quilt teaching.
- Proof of deposit of the R100 application fee.

Bank: ABSA Branch: Cresta  
Acc Number: 90 3389 321 4

*All information in this form and attached sheets is true, to the best of my knowledge:*

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*Signed*

.....  
*ID Number*

.....  
*Date*



There are 5 subjects that are related to teaching quilting:

- Quilt History
- Teaching Theory
- Quilting Techniques and Quilt Terminology
- Copyright and Contracts
- Skills Assessment (practical)

There are 3 assignments set for each of the five subjects, with 3 deadlines in the year.

The assignments can be submitted in either English or in Afrikaans.

**The required pass rate** is 80% for every assignment in all subjects.

This is a **self study course** and assignments and communication is **done by email**, except for the practical samples and skills assessments which must be sent to the relevant tutor.

### **Achievement**

Students who successfully pass the course will receive accreditation as a quilt teacher from the South African Quilters Guild.

### **Cost of the course**

The cost is R1500 per student. This is payable on registration and is non-refundable.

### **Conditions**

Interested quilters should be a member of SAQG or an **SAQG**-affiliated guild, and can be resident in any of the Southern African countries.

If you have the interest and passion to study this course and would like more information, and the **Pre-application Skills Assessment for QTAC 2016** details, please contact Jenny Hermans: [jenny@renehermans.co.za](mailto:jenny@renehermans.co.za) Tel.021 531 6771

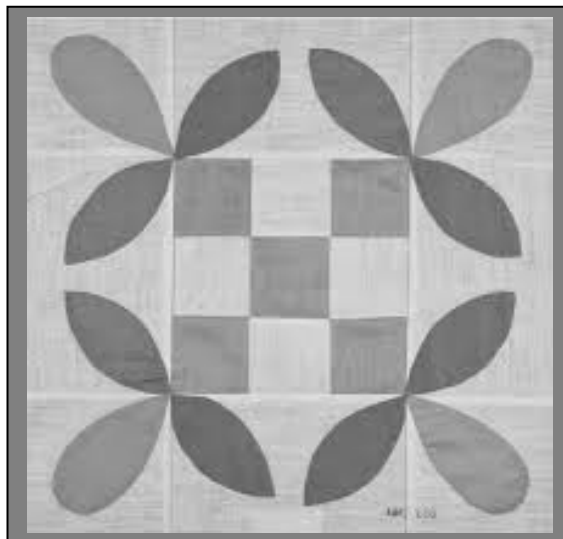
### **Jenny Hermans**

SAQG Representative

Coordinator of QTAC 2016

## Pre-application Skills Assessment for Quilt Teacher Accreditation Course

Students wishing to apply to participate in the SAQG Quilt Teacher Accreditation Course 2016 must submit a practical sample of their own work for approval before they can register. The completed, quilted block must be made following the requirements below.



The block is the Honey Bee

### Honey Bee block

**Finished size:** 30cm /12 inches, including the binding

**Piecing:** to be done by machine

**Appliqué** to be done by hand with seam allowances turned under.

**Quilting:** can be done either by hand or by machine (not both).

**Binding:** The block must be bound with French (double) binding with mitred corners.

**A cloth label**, with the student's name, e-mail address and phone number, is to be tacked to the back of the block, positioned in one corner.

The label should be no bigger 10cm wide x 6cm long.

### Deadline for submission: 1 November 2015

**The completed sample block** can be given to any one of the seven tutors, who will assess the workmanship and skills displayed. Only work that is of a high standard and within the rating system will be approved.

**Assessment:** We recommend that you contact and deliver your sample to the tutor who is nearest to you for the most convenient way to assess your work.

**Submit your work** before the deadline 1 November 2015, either by hand or use the Pick 'n Pay Aramex (store to door service) or Postnet or another reputable courier. DO NOT use the SAPO as we have found that the Post Office is unreliable.

The quilted sample is non-returnable unless the student supplies an addressed and pre-paid envelope or other suitable means of return.

### Tutors

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Trienie Krugel	<a href="mailto:tkrugel@mabonline.co.za">tkrugel@mabonline.co.za</a>	016 976 8443	Sasolburg, Free State
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Lubi Koorts	<a href="mailto:lubikoorts@gmail.com">lubikoorts@gmail.com</a>	021 462 2631	Gardens, Cape Town
Jenny Hermans	<a href="mailto:jenny@renehermans.co.za">jenny@renehermans.co.za</a>	021 531 6771	Pinelands, Cape Town

An application form must be completed and submitted with the block.

## Application to have Honey Bee block Assessed

Name: .....

Address: .....

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Postal code: .....

Landline: ..... Mobile Phone: .....

E-mail address: .....

### Other information:

I am a member of **SAQG** My SAQG-affiliated Guild is .....

I am not a member of **SAQG** or an SAQG-affiliated guild

Years of quilting experience: .....

Years of teaching quilting: ..... I am teaching quilting at present:  Yes  No

**Motivation:** Reasons why I wish to do the QTA course (in no more than 150 words).

Name of tutor assessing my quilted block: .....

Date: .....

*Dear tutor,*

*Please find my completed Honey Bee quilt for your assessment.*

*I would like to have my block returned to me so I have included an addressed and pre-paid envelope or other suitable means of return.*

*I declare that the work is my own, and the personal details above are true.*

Signature .....

Name ..... ID no .....