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Bio

Sue Michaels is the creative spirit of Dragonfly Fiberart Pattern Company. A romance with anything fiber began at the industrious age of four when she was taught to crochet, immediately followed by knitting, tatting and hand sewing. She was hooked. Her earliest creations were of course doll clothes and miniature quilts which morphed into clothing sewing as a teen. Sue grew up in a rural area where 4-H was alive and well and crafts and turning trash into treasures were always encouraged long before 'upcycling' and 'diy' became trendy! Sue started doing home craft parties with several friends, each contributing a different type of craft. These morphed into juried craft shows in the nineties at the height of the country décor craze. Many of the items were sewn and quilted.

In the early 2000's, Sue's career as a corporate event consultant involved extensive travel so many hobbies took a back burner except quilting, used for personal destressing from a high stress career. When time allowed, Sue would teach in local quilt shops or for groups of friends and they always asked for a 'Sue creation' rather than sewing something from a regular pattern. Fun, unique and possible to complete in a small block of time became the big ask as careers, families, children and the general pace of life picked up speed.

In 2012 Sue published her first series of patterns that were available for quilt shops to purchase. These were small cards at a small price that were loaded with fun, fast and fabulous projects. The patterns went international in 2014 and Sue had her first booth at the International Quilt Market in Houston where she taught the first of many schoolhouse classes to shop owners and employees.

Since the early days, the pattern line has grown to over 100 published patterns as well as patterns in magazines. She has kept her roots with continuing the small card pattern line but also expanded to full size paper quilt patterns, tote and bag patterns as well as other home décor elements. Sue also enjoys designing patterns for Andover Fabrics, Timeless Treasures and the Dear Stella fabric lines. She enjoys teaching workshops and classes, as well as developing different classes and technique series for quilt shops. She is always exploring new quilting and crafting trends and techniques to keep creative ideas fresh and innovative. The Fast & Fabulous Pattern Card series (a low-cost alternative to traditional paper patterns) is just one example of how she is helping time constrained quilting enthusiasts create fabulous fiber masterpieces in the least amount of time possible.

Sue always welcomes the opportunity to share her passion for fiber arts with others, especially if it can help them enjoy a rewarding and successful crafting/sewing experience. Please visit Dragonfly Fiberart's web site, www.dragonflyfiberart.com and don't hesitate to contact Sue with any questions you may have.

