

Fossil Fantasy #1

- DESIGNED, PIECED, AND QUILTED BY: Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry
- DATE: 2016
- SIZE: 30" wide x 44" high
- COLORS: rainbow hues and neutrals
- MATERIALS: fabric: 100% cotton • batting: 80% cotton / 20% polyester • thread: acrylic and polyester • pencil & ink
- TECHNIQUES: Hand dyed & painted, machine appliquéed, pieced, and quilted
- IDENTIFYING MARKS: Signature & label
- PHOTO: Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry
- OWNER: Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry
- PRICE: \$6500.00

Design Concept & Process:

This design was inspired by fossils of prehistoric ammonites. To develop the line drawing, I studied many different ammonites and combined elements from several of them plus a few added flourishes from my imagination.



All of the fabrics were painted, or hand dyed except the last four inches in the center of the spiral, which was designed in Corel Draw and printed on cotton fabric. I did some additional drawing with ink and pencil on the individual templates. The colors, of course are pure fantasy. I had fun juxtaposing brilliant rainbow hues against a collection of sludgy neutral tones.

Many different colors of thread were used in the quilting, most of which is done in fantasy spiral patterns to reflect the theme of the quilt. The binding is made from a fabric in my Gradations collection for Benartex, and the backing is from my Atmospheres collection, a spiraling design to compliment the theme.

Exhibitions:

- Fiber Fusion: Washington State Surface Design Association traveling show,
 - June 1 – 23, 2016: Allied Arts, Richland, WA
 - November, 2016: VALA Art Center, Redmond, WA
 - February, 2017: Northwind Arts, Port Townsend, WA
 - March, 2017: Schack Art Center, Everett, WA
- Brazil/CQA Traveling Exhibit
 - AQS Daytona Beach, FL, Feb. 28 – Mar. 3, 2018
 - AQS Lancaster, PA, Mar. 21 – 24, 2018
 - AQS Spring Paducah, KY, Apr. 18 – 21, 2018
 - Pacific Northwest Quilt and Fiber Arts Museum, La Conner, WA
 - Oct - Dec. 31, 2018 Brazil Quilts
 - Nov. - Jan. 31, 2019 CQA Quilts
 - National Quilt Museum in Paducah, Ky from October 18, 2019 to January 28, 2020
- Minding Color, SAQA Regional, Pacific Northwest Museum of Quilts and Fiber Art, La Conner, WA, August 4, 2021 – October 31, 2021
- Photos Pixels & Pizzazz, (solo exhibition), McLean Textile Gallery, McLean, VA, April 1-May 2, 2022
- Photos Pixels & Pizzazz, (solo exhibition), Quilt Show Reno, Reno-Sparks Convention Center, Reno NV, June 9-11, 2022
- Reflections of Light: Recent Works by Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry, New England Quilt Museum, Lowell, MA, July 13-October 30, 2022
- Photos, Pixels, & Pizzazz: Digital Quilts by Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry, Special exhibition, Road to California Quilters Conference, Ontario, CA, January 17-21, 2023
- Photos, Pixels, & Pizzazz: Special Exhibit,
 - Quiltfest Greenville, Greenville Convention Center, Greenville, SC, April 20-22, 2023
 - Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza, Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, September 14-17, 2023
 - Pacific International Quilt Festival, Santa Clara Convention Center, Santa Clara, CA, October 12-15, 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:

- AQS Daytona Beach Show Book: 2018 p.36
- AQS Lancaster Show Book: 2018 p.34



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