

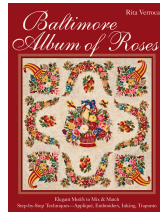


## Rita Verroca

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Rita Verroca is an award-winning quilter whose quilts have been exhibited in the USA, Europe and Japan. Her quilts have been on the cover of magazines and have been featured in calendars and quilt books. She has won awards in international competitions and shows.

Rita is a passionate teacher with great skill and contagious enthusiasm. In her quilts she combines old heritage quilt patterns with delightful and playful arrangements. Her choice of color is artfully chosen and arranged to give the overall design a stimulating balance of a harmonious picture.

Rita receives a lot of requests for her patterns and with this website would like to take the opportunity to invite you to share her passion for quilting.



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## RED FILLIGREE URN OR BALTIMORE BELLE

Taught by  
**Rita Verroca**  
Email: [ritaverroca@yahoo.com](mailto:ritaverroca@yahoo.com)

**3 Day Class \$550.00**  
**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY**

### CLASS DESCRIPTION:

Flowers can speak volumes yet never make a sound and their rich history and unparalleled symbolism make flowers so much more than just nature's beauty. They have inspired us for centuries and quilters in particular are called into their spell as they have used these images to adorn their quilts. You are cordially invited to savor their beauty by choosing one of two of Rita's glorious designs.

#### Red Filligree Urn

Paralleling the emphasis on detail in the gardenesque style of gardening of the 19th century, Rita will instruct you with great enthusiasm and compassion on how to create this splendid lattice basket with coin dot handles in cotton and silk. Needle and thread are all you will need to needle turn this beautiful block. Rita will practice with you how to make small invisible stitches, smooth curves, sharp points, fray-less V's and U's to expand and enrich your own exquisite needlework and appliqué skills. To give your block an authentic Baltimorean look, Rita will demonstrate the effect that ombres and vermicular fabrics can have on your appliqué work. Full-filling fun. Come and join Rita's exciting, innovative class innovation on tradition!

#### Baltimore Belle

A block from an old Baltimore Album Quilt was the inspiration for this stunning rendition of its predecessor, a fanciful garland surrounding a white rose. Was the maker celebrating purity, the symbolism of the white rose or marking an event of 1842 in Baltimore, the introduction of the Baltimore Belle, a white climber that was bred and presented to the public by Samuel Feast, a nursery man and pillar of the Baptist church. We will never know but might ponder upon as we stitch another piece of history into our own Baltimore Album Quilt.

Lab Fee: \$25

Kits are available for \$45.00. Please pre-order by Jan 31st, 2017





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## BOSTON TEA PARTY OR USS ANDREW DORIA

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**THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY**

**CLASS DESCRIPTION:** American Icons! The Boston Tea Party and The USS Andrew Doria - First Salute  
Looking for new and exciting blocks to add to your Album? Rita has designed two more original blocks with historical significance. They are magnificently rendered in cloth and you are invited to pick one of two block offerings to stimulate your creativity and challenge your needle skills at the intermediate level. How to pick? Perhaps some background on the design will help.

### **The Boston Tea Party- Brewing Tea in Boston Harbor**

On December 16, 1773 several dozen men, their faces stained with paint, old blankets around their shoulders were approaching Boston Harbor. About fifty in number, the "Mohawks" rushed to Griffin's Wharf, followed by a huge crowd shouting: "The Mohawks are come, Boston Harbor a teapot tonight!" The Sons of Liberty in Boston, Massachusetts disguised as Native Americans boarded three ships, hauled the tea chests on deck, broke them open with axes and shoveled the tea into moonlit Boston Harbor. The next day John Adams informed his diary that there was a "Dignity, a Majesty, a Sublimity" in Boston's Tea Party that stirred his deepest admiration which led him to conclude that "it must have....important consequences". And so another step was taken towards the struggle for independence setting events into motion that would win America's glorious freedom.

### **The USS Andrew Doria- First Salute**

On November 16, 1776 the Continental Navy ship USS "Andrew Doria" approached the tiny Dutch Caribbean island of Sint Eustatius, characterized during that time as the "Warehouse of the World", carrying on board a copy of the Declaration of Independence. As the red-and white-striped flag of the Continental Congress was flying high at her mast its captain fired a salute to the Dutch flag on Fort Oranje, the ritual salute on entering a foreign port of an American vessel. On the command of Johannes de Graaff, Fort Oranje in its responding salute fired eleven guns, thus recognizing its Grand Union Flag and the United States of America for the first time as a new nation, the first official recognition by a foreign government.

Both blocks will be revisiting all needle- turn appliqué skills like basic stitch, pointy leaves, inverted V's and Valley's to assure your success to stitch a piece of history for your Baltimore Album Quilt. Rita will be your personal guide as you travel towards new horizons in appliqué.

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## **Supply List**

### **Fabric:**

- One piece of 21" plain or printed cotton fabric or any other background fabric of your choice for 18" block
- Lots of small pieces of fabric in various colors for flowers, laves, stems and buds to match the image of your personal preference

### **Supplies:**

- Appliqué needles, size 10 and/or 11
- Threads to match fabric ( good appliqué threads are DMC, Aurifil and Mettler 60 weight)
- Small applique scissors
- Sharp paper scissors to cut laminated patterns
- Thimble
- Silk glass pins
- Pigma pen Micron 005 and 01 in light brown and black
- Personal sewing lamp
- Double sided tape or glue stick
- Clover water soluble marker to mark background fabric or marking pen of your choice
- Clover eraser pen

Rita will have these supplies available for sale in class in case you have trouble locating these items.