

# 10 DAY QUILT N' CRUISE to ALASKA

Round Trip San Francisco to Alaska  
Onboard Princess Cruises "Grand Princess®"  
July 5 – July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018



**Mel Beach's** quilting adventure began in 2003. Since moving to San Jose, CA, she has immersed herself within the quilting community both locally and online. She loves to share her quilt-related adventures and design process with other quilters via her blog: [pieceloveandhappiness.blogspot.com](http://pieceloveandhappiness.blogspot.com). Mel has participated in more than 50 quilt challenges at both the local and national/international level. Many of her quilts have been juried into travelling exhibits including the 2014, 2015 and 2016 Hoffman Challenge Travel Collection and "CREA-TV" - finalist in the Be Creative! Quilt Challenge to mention a couple. She has also had several of her quilts published including "CREA-TV" *Quilters Newsletter* and "Wicked Windy & Winding Ways" *American Quilter*.

## Session 1: Walking Foot WOW!

Learn how to create beautiful, modern quilted texture with your walking foot by moving beyond the basic "stitch in the ditch". Together, we will explore modern lines, decorative stitches, spirals and gentle curves that will add drama and eye catching texture to your quilt tops! You will receive lots of individual attention, a ton of new ideas and the confidence to machine quilt your own tops. A walking foot is required. This class is perfect for all skill levels and machine types.



## Session Two: Magnificent Mandalas

Let's add some Zen to our free-motion quilting! This fun and relaxing class is perfect for those who have dabbled in free-motion quilting and want to expand your skills and confidence. On day one, we'll warm up designing mandalas on paper and practice our free-motion skills by quilting mandala shapes and mark-free filler designs. On day 2, we will apply these designs and techniques to stitching a "Wholecloth" mandala design. You will receive plenty of individual attention as you work at your own pace to create your very own mandala quilt that will bloom with layers of color and texture!

