

Bio from Mary Elizabeth Kinch

Mary Elizabeth Kinch is a professional quiltmaker, teacher, speaker, fabric designer, and co-author of two best-selling books: *Small Blocks, Stunning Quilts* and *Small Pieces, Spectacular Quilts*.

As you may gather from the titles, small, pieced quilts make her weak at the knees.

Mary Elizabeth has been a featured guest on The Quilt Show with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims. She is a frequent contributor to Curated Quilts Magazine. Her work has been shown at international quilt shows, juried into AQS Show Paducah, Quiltcon, and featured in many international quilting publications.

Mary Elizabeth believes in “Quilting with Abandon,” stretching traditional boundaries and creating quilts with a subtle salute to the past. She is enthusiastic about our quilting heritage and the lessons to be learned from the antique and vintage quilts she studies and collects.

Her recent work explores traditional quilt designs expressed through “gestured appliqued lines” and the quilting stitch.

When not quilting, Mary Elizabeth designs interior residential projects where she uses a simple, elegant, well-edited approach, embracing colour and light, to create homes her clients can relax and live life in.

She lives in Toronto and her kids would tell you she has “lots” of fabric!