## Want a career in quilting?



## **Quilt Photographer: Bernard Buchanan**

I met Bernard many years ago. I was dating Brian, and he wanted to get Bernard's opinion of me before getting in too deep. Gulp! Luckily I got the nod, and Brian and I have been together for 25 years now! Now who would think that the career path of a metallurgical engineer would lead to the world of quilts? Bernard always loved quilts. His mother was a quilter, and he was one of the first people to purchase a quilt from me. Clearly he has impeccable taste.

I had submitted a book proposal to C&T Publishing, and it was accepted! One of the earliest hurdles I had was the photography.. full page images of quilts require very high resolution images, with NO shadows. I remembered that Bernard had done wedding photography as a sideline, and he agreed to do a few samples to see what the publishers thought.



They loved his work and his professionalism, and contracted him to photograph all 26 quilts for the book. We used double-sided tape to attach them to my dining room wall, and after one full day of photography, it was done- Whew! He did demand one of the quilts for himself, so you won't be seeing that one in person, but I do have a great photograph of it to share!

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