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Echo Song by Becky Glasby

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Becky Glasby is a self-taught quilter who turned her love of quilting from a personal hobby into a professional career at the National Quilt Museum.

At NQM Becky works to inspire the next generation of quilters and promote the art of quilting through: youth & adult tours, hands-on programs, community collaborations, Summer Quilt Camps for kids, the Block of the Month Club program, and coordinating the annual School Block Challenge.

Becky recently had a solo exhibition of her quilts at The National Quilt Museum, and exhibited several quilts in shows across the country.

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Echoes

Thinking about Echoes brought to mind the call and response chants and songs from my childhood, and the way sound waves bounce back on a radar. In this block I kept things simple with the piecing, to let the fabrics, colors, and shapes create visual echoes.

Typically, echoes can bounce back a little fainter each time, so the echo rectangles decrease in size from left to right. I chose colors from dark blue to light blue to give another visual of the echo fading the longer it lingers.

Once the block was completed, I thought it could be fun to quilt the last echo instead of piecing it together - so maybe your echoes will bounce back in a different way!

Materials

Fabric

Background fabric

Four colors that change in value from dark to light for the echoes

From Background Cut:

2 - 16.5" x 1.5"

3 - 16.5" x 2.5"

1 - 2.5" x 1.5"

1 - 2.5" 2.5"

2 - 2.5" x 3.5"

1 - 2.5" x 4.5"

2 - 2.5" x 5.5"

1 - 2.5" x 8.5"

Echo 1 (Darkest Blue):

1 - 2.5" x 10.5"

Echo 2 (Med-Dark Blue):

1 - 2.5" x 9.5"

Echo 3 (Medium Blue):

1 - 2.5" x 8.5"

Echo 4 (Lightest Blue):

1 - 2.5" x 6.5"



Directions

1. Once all your pieces are cut, arrange them according to the layout. Make sure your 1/4" stitch is accurate before sewing.



Directions

2. Sew together the background pieces onto the blue echoes to form full columns.



3. Stitch the columns together to create the block. Remember - blocks will measure 16.5" x 16.5" this Round!



