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## Maria Herrera Biography

**Maria Herrera** was born in Chicago and lives in the Pilsen neighborhood on the city's lower west side. She is a stay-at-home mom with a seven-year-old son, and she has been married for 15 years. Herrera is a member of Las puntadas del alma/Stitches of the Soul quilt group at the National Museum of Mexican Art in Chicago. She has been a member since the group's beginning in July 2008. "I have always enjoyed and loved the arts, but never believed myself to be creative. The quilt group/classes have opened up my soul and have given me the confidence enough to say that I can actually <u>create</u> art. I hope to pass the love of art to my son."