

# SCRAPS OF WISDOM

# Waterloo County Quilters' Guild



## President's April Message

This April is filled with lots of religious types of celebrations: Easter, Passover, Vaisakhi and Eid al-Fitr, which all bring families and friends together. Those are not the only things that need to be celebrated this month. The week of April 16 - 22 is dedicated to celebrating a certain type of person. That person can be of any background, any sex, any height, just anything. What is the one thing all of the people being celebrated that week have in common? They VOLUNTEER, of course!

National Volunteer Week is meant to celebrate volunteers everywhere. So very many organizations rely on volunteers, from small grass roots ones to large international ones. Some have volunteers and paid staff, and some are 100% volunteer driven. Our guild falls into the latter category. I want to take this time and space to thank each and every volunteer in our guild. I am not going to name them, there are just too many and I'm afraid I would leave one out. We have our higher profile volunteers, who you see online each month, or sometimes, each week, and we have our behind the scenes volunteers who do important things such as proof-reading. Each job is important, and each person who fills that job is important and vital to the health of our guild.

One of my first 'official' volunteer roles (not counting helping out in the nursery at church), was probably as a candy striper in a hospital. I have volunteered ever since and spent most of my professional career working in not-for-profit organizations, working with volunteer boards. Even while working, I always volunteered somewhere. I can honestly say that I don't think I have a close friend who isn't also a volunteer somewhere. Volunteers come in all shapes and sizes, with all types of different personalities, skills, and different health limitations.

As different as volunteers can be, all volunteers have a common interest, a common bond, regardless of the organization for which they volunteer. That common bond is a desire to make something work, to make it better, to make it run smoothly, to help that organization accomplish its mission.

So if you are a volunteer for us, the Waterloo County Quilters' Guild, Thank You, from the bottom of my heart. If you spend your time volunteering elsewhere, and have no time left, I still thank you for making the world a better place to be. If you aren't volunteering anywhere, my simple question is not why, but rather, 'So, when are you going to start?'

This month as we celebrate our volunteers, I encourage you to think about what role you can take to help make our guild a better place.

Happy quilting, Gail Berry-Graham, President

The Waterloo County Quilters' Guild provides an opportunity for quilters to learn in a supportive, sharing, social environment. We encourage you to get the most out of your membership by becoming more deeply involved in the guild.

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## GATHERINGS

Wednesday April 5th, 2023 10:30am - 3:00pm

## Welcome to our new members:

Susan Anderson  
Linda Pierce

# Wednesday April 19, 2023 Guild Meeting



## Speaker: Diane Murtha

### 'Challenges - Accept the Challenge & Win a Prize'

7pm ET on Zoom

We are delighted to have Diane Murtha join us from Iowa, USA, for our April meeting! Diane will present her lecture, 'Challenges – Accept the Challenge & Win a Prize'. Diane will give us an in-

formative and humorous perspective on her quilt challenge experiences, including a trunk and slide show. Diane's quilting adventure has been long and varied, including delusions of grandeur, some epic fails, a few triumphs, many "good enoughs" and most importantly, increasingly satisfy-

ing results. The stories that go along with her quilts are equal to the warmth and smiles they bring. Diane will discuss what she has learned from the various challenges, other ways to challenge yourself, and sources of inspiration. And most importantly, Diane will discuss how challenges can expand your quilting skills and inspire all your quilting!



Diane began as a traditional quilter in the late 90's, gradually modifying patterns and gravitating to art quilts, specifically participating in art quilt challenges. Her quilts are included in three published books and multiple special exhibits traveling the USA, including Houston's International Quilt Festival. Diane retired in 2016 after a 32-year career as a Department of Army civilian and now has time to be more creative and explore quilting on even more new levels! Diane and her husband, Tim, are certified foster parents and enjoy RVing.

Diane will be teaching her half day workshop 'Modified Quilt As You Go' on Saturday May 6, 2023. For more information about the workshop, see page 4, and to register, please go to our online store.





### Ode to Lavallée

art KWilt connection  
 Ilene Atkins, Dorothy Holdemeyer, Judy Pearce,  
 Nancy Winn, Marg Notar  
 WATERLOO, ONTARIO, CANADA

Our group of five art quilters from southwestern Ontario had been collaborating on the design and completion of art quilts for a few years when we learned of a call for entry to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary in 2017. Challenge accepted! Ideas flowed toward the theme of our national anthem, so we set out to research inspiration for potential visual components. As a result, we got consent from Milton Glaser, the New York-based graphic artist (think, "I heart NY") to adapt his 1979 "Sony Tape, Full Color Sound" poster, featuring watercolour landscapes. From there, we had Spoonflower print the score to "O Canada" (written by Calixa Lavallée in 1880) on white cotton, then one at a time, we each used fabric inks, Inktense pencils and Neocolor crayons to paint images of our designated section of Canada, from the North (top) to the East (bottom), then added stitching to our section. Much breath-holding ensued, since making a mistake would spoil the whole project for the group. A final set of quilting added maple leaves around the borders and throughout the design. Music to our ears!

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"Our 2017 quilt, 'Ode to Lavallée', got published in the Canadian creativity magazine called 'Uppercase'. It's in the current issue, (#56, page 87) which has been out in some bookstores since just before Christmas, but will probably only be found until mid-April, when the next issue comes out. The issue's theme had to do with music-inspired artwork. You can see it here:

<https://uppercasemagazine.com/products/uppercase-56-single-copy>

We're pretty thrilled, and thought we'd share our excitement!" - Marg Notar, (for art KWilt connection—Judy Pearce, Nancy Winn, Dorothy Holdemeyer, Ilene Atkins and Marg Notar)

## 'Traditional Variations' with Cheryl Arkison

Join Cheryl Arkison for a day of playing with improvisation, scale, and colour to create fun and funky alternatives to old favorites by taking some familiar traditional blocks and shaking them up.



Traditional Variations



Date: Saturday, April 15, 2023

Time: 9:30am to 4pm ET

Cost: Members \$45, non-members \$55

Skill level: Confident beginner

Opened to non-members on March 31, 2023



## 'Modified Quilt-As-You-Go' with Diane Murtha

Diane Murtha will teach her 'Modified Quilt-As-You-Go' workshop where we will learn techniques that work on any size quilt with endless access options and quilting is easy!



The class project is a  
20" x 20" square.

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023

Time: 9:30am to 1:30pm ET

Cost: Members \$50, non-members \$60

Skill level: Beginner to experienced

Opens to non-members April 1, 2023







## UFO Challenge

Entries must be received by April 14, 2023 for the April 2023 Zoom meeting. The winner's name will be

drawn at the end of the 'Show and Share' and announced that evening.

Contact Deby at [dwettges@gmail.com](mailto:dwettges@gmail.com)

If you know of a guild member who has become ill, please let our secretary, Doris Martin, know so she can send a get well card from all of us.

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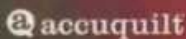
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# GATHERINGS

**Wednesday April 5, 2023 10:30am - 3:00pm**

Gatherings, an in-person event sponsored by the Waterloo County Quilters' Guild, takes place on the first Wednesday of every month in the community centre of the Albert McCormick Arena in Waterloo, from 10:30am to 3:00pm. The guild library is open, and there are representatives from SMILE, PAL, Quilts of Valour Canada, Memory Quilts, and the Curated Fabric Team. You can participate in the UFO Challenge and the Strippers' Club. There is also an opportunity to sew and socialize.

**Featured Member for April—Kathy Bissett** 'In my presentation for the *2022 International Quilting Day*, I said that celebrating life's milestones for a quilter can only be done in one way - with a quilt. I plan to have the quilt, *Golden Threads*, on display, along with its album, and also about twenty or so additional quilts I have made or received over the years. I'll be prepared to answer questions about my quilts, and would be delighted to have you bring a quilt or two to discuss with me.'

For the health and safety of all, we continue to ask you to:

**Wear a mask and save lives** (Public Health Agency of Canada), **clean your hands, keep a safe distance from others** when participating in the Gathering activities. **Please have proof of your vaccination available** to show to the person at the membership desk. - Jean McFarlane & Elaine La Ronde

## Open Sewing

Open Sewing opportunities on Zoom take place every Monday afternoon from 2 to 4pm, and one Saturday morning per month from 10 until noon. Any interested guild members are invited to join these fun learning events. Come for the full two hours or come for a short time. Some participants sew during that time while on-line. Others do handwork, e.g. binding a quilt, or other stitching activities. There is always lots of great conversation, and helpful tips and strategies related to quilting. Come and meet some new quilters, and possibly build new friendships. It's a very relaxed atmosphere, and a great way to get to know fellow guild members. Everyone is welcome. The Zoom link remains the same each week, and can always be easily found in the Friday Email Update. Hope to see you at one of our sewing days soon. Our Saturday Open Sewing Day in April will take place on April 29. Please consider joining us! The Zoom link for this one will be provided in the email update on April 28. - Inge Ford



For those attending Gatherings, there will be coffee, teabags, milk, sugar and sweetener available in the kitchen. Don't forget to bring your own mug, and if you would like to make a tote for your mug, you will find a pattern in the February newsletter.





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Above: This quilt top was made by Lilla Hall and generously donated to QOVC at March Gatherings.

Susan Hemmerich (pictured on the right) recently attended a friend's husband's funeral. His Quilt of Valour was on display beside his coffin. Many of the guests commented on this and most of the veterans in attendance pinned poppies to the quilt. She asked if she could bring the quilt to March Gatherings to tell people about it. We had it on display over a chair on a table, and Susan sat and spoke to members who came by.— Deby Wettges

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## **WORKSHOPS: DETAILS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN UPCOMING NEWSLETTERS, ON OUR GUILD WEBSITE, AND IN OUR ONLINE STORE**

### **April 15, 2023 - Cheryl Arkinson - 'Traditional Variations'**

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### **May 6, 2023 - Diane Murtha - 'Modified Quilt As You Go'**

Diane's workshop will highlight techniques that work on any size quilt with endless accent options and the quilting is easy! Class project 20" x 20" square. See page 4.

### **May 27, 2023 - Christina Cameli - 'Free Motion Compositions'**

### **June 24, 2023 - Tina Craig - 'Spring Fling FPP Table Runner'**

## **Free Draws at April Gatherings**

The following items will be on the Curated Fabric table for you to enter for the draws:

- Purple Gypsy sit upon plastic cushion
- Partly used Mary Ellen's Best Press (Citrus Grove scent) and Temporary Basting Spray
- Mayflower Quilt hanger holds 16' wide wall hanging
- Snowflake Trio mini hanger holds 3 5½wide mini quilts
- Table stand Mini quilt hanger 12' x 14"
- Table top stand for 3 mini 4" x 9" quilts
- Magic heat cutting tool for appliqué, quilting, embroidery, stencil cutting

- 2 pieces Aida cloth 14 count
- 1 blue Aida cloth & 1 32 count linen
- Crossed stitch frame 30" x 10"

All of these items are used and have been donated to the guild. If you are unable to attend Gatherings, but would like to have your name entered into the draws, please have a friend who attends put your name in the appropriate boxes. Please include your phone number and make arrangements to pick up your items by 2pm on April 5th. The draw will happen at 1:30pm.

All items are "as is" and the guild takes no responsibility for their condition.





### Quilts for Survivors

“MCC had sent out lap sized quilt tops to be batted, backed and tied to be returned to Timmins Indigenous Group. My church received 3, one of which is pictured above. All three quilts had the same block, but different borders.” - Bonnie Murdoch

As a guild, we collected a number 16½” unfinished blocks for Quilts for Survivors in October 2021.

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## GUILD MEMBERSHIP FEES

HAVE INCREASED TO \$40 FOR RENEWING MEMBERS  
(IF YOU RENEW BEFORE JUNE 30, 2023)

AND

\$45 NEW MEMBERS AND CURRENT MEMBERS

WHO RENEW AFTER JUNE 30, 2023

### Professional Guild Members

Any guild members who provide a quilt-related service or operate a quilt-related business have an opportunity to be listed on our website under “Member Professionals”. Please review existing member listings to see what to include.



Cornwall Quilters Guild Presents

*Quilts on the Seaway*

April 14th and 15th, 2023

St. John's Presbyterian Church

28 Second Street East, Cornwall, Ontario

FRIDAY 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM    SATURDAY 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

QUILT EXHIBITS    MERCHANT MALL    SALE BOUTIQUE

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Admission \$8.00

*Everyone welcome!*

Viewers choice vote Friday,

## Quilt Exhibit Update

Our guild's Quilt Exhibit planning is well underway. It is now time for our guild members to make a decision about which quilt items you plan to have displayed at the exhibit. Between now and the end of June, you are invited to register your quilts so that we can ensure they will be included. There are instructions on page 11 & 12 of this newsletter for how to register your items. It would be wonderful to have quilts from many of our members displayed. Please take a few minutes soon to make your decisions, and complete your submissions.

While the planning committee is hard at work getting everything ready, it's time now to consider how you, as a member of the guild, might become involved. It takes many people to make this event a success. It's time to sign up to volunteer for one of the many tasks needed for the exhibit. The volunteer sign-up sheets will be ready at April Gatherings, and information can be found on page 13 of this newsletter. Please consider where you might be able to provide some help and sign up for a task that interests you.

Please continue to make your small quilts and boutique items. Darlene Ekmanis and Ev Cameron will continue to attend Gatherings to accept Boutique Items, and to supply you with more ideas for projects. Pat Lockyer and Judy Pearce will also be at Gatherings to happily accept quilts for the Small Quilt Draw. - Inge Ford and Elaine LaRonde

### Membership Renewal Information

**The Waterloo County Quilters' Guild program year runs from September 1 to August 31 each year. Membership renewal starts May 1 for the following September.**

**Membership rates:**

New members Fee: \$45 Renewing Member Fee: May 1 to June 30: \$40, July 1 and following: \$45

Youth Member (under 18 years of age): \$10

**Payment Online:** Payment of membership fees can be paid at the WCQG Online Store. Once payment has been made, an automatic pop-up form will be provided for you to fill out. This will become active on May 1, 2023.

**Payment by Cheque:** Renewal forms will be available as of May 1st to print, or available at Gatherings for you to fill out. Hand in to the membership committee at the sign-in table or mail to Laura Huras at the guild address:

Waterloo County Quilters' Guild  
 Attention: Laura Huras  
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# QUILT ENTRY REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

## ACCESSING the Entry Form:

The Entry Form can be printed from the guild website ([www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca](http://www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca)), and filled out manually to be handed in at Gatherings **OR** it can be opened on your computer as a Word document (.doc).

**Printing the form to fill in by hand:** Please note that the shaded areas in the Word document do not show when the page is printed. You will have blank areas to fill out. The form is also available as a PDF.

**To complete the form (Word format only) on your computer:** just type in the shaded areas, which will expand as needed. To save it, name the document with your last name, entry category and number (i.e., Smith\_LW\_#1). Then, email it to [margsandiford@hotmail.com](mailto:margsandiford@hotmail.com) as an attachment.

## COMPLETING the Entry Form:

Each WCQG member may enter a maximum of 4 items in the exhibit, plus your entry in the President's Challenge.

Of the 4 items, up to 2 may be in a single category.

## Quilt Categories (CODE), Sizes and Techniques

Small Wall Quilt (SW)	Maximum width of 40" and maximum perimeter of 180". <b>Must be submitted with a prepared rod that includes 2 screw eyes, with a width ½" less than the width of the wall hanging</b>
Mid-Size Wall Quilt (MW)	Perimeter greater than 180" to a maximum of 250"
Large Wall Quilt (LW)	Perimeter greater than 250"
Bed or Lap Quilt (BL)	Single, Queen, King, Lap 48" x 48" to 60" x 60"
Other Items (OI)	This may include clothing: coats, jackets, or vests. Also, table runners & toppers, purses, bags, pillow covers, cushions, baby play mats, patchwork stuffed animals, zippered pouches....
President's Challenge (PC)	18" x 12" as per instructions in newsletters
<b>Techniques Utilized (hand techniques)</b>	<b>(machine techniques)</b>
Hand Appliqued (HA) Hand Embroidery (HE) Hand Pieced (HP) Hand Quilted (HQ)	Machine Appliqued (MA) Machine Embroidery (ME) Machine Pieced (MP) Machine Quilted (MQ)
<b>Additional Descriptors</b> Group Quilt (GQ) Modern Quilt (MQ) Guild Workshop (GW)	

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED: Pre-printed whole cloth or printed panel entries with no additional piecing or appliqué, unfinished items, quilts without properly secured and/or sized hanging sleeves, and quilts that "replace" quilts officially entered. **You will also be required to provide a hanging rod for Small Quilts (as described above).**

## SUBMITTING the Entry Form:

**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY FORMS AND PHOTOS IS JUNE 30, 2023**

## QUILT ENTRY REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED)

For each submission, indicate in the Re/Subject line: your last name, entry category and number, (i.e.,Smith\_LW\_#1). Attach your entry form and please use a separate email message for each entry. Completion and submission of an entry form constitutes permission to photograph for publicity, and by visitors to the exhibit.

Completion and submission of an entry form is a commitment to delivering the entry item listed on October 12, and to having it displayed for the duration of the exhibit, October 13 & 14, 2023.

**PHOTOGRAPHY FOR THE QUILT EXHIBIT: Everyone is responsible for taking their own pictures and sending them to Marg Sandiford at [margsandiford@hotmail.com](mailto:margsandiford@hotmail.com).** This must be a straight-on picture, not artistically arranged. This will be used by Kathy to decide where your piece fits with all the other entries. Please ensure that the quilt is being photographed is the one you registered, and is photographed with the best lighting and quality possible.

**Photographs need to be emailed to Marg no later than June 30, 2023.**

**QUILT DISPLAY AT THE EXHIBIT:** The Quilt Display Co-ordinator will select entries for the exhibit based on the space available for display; therefore, some quilts may be folded over quilt racks. Ideally the goal is to have each member represented in the exhibit. You will be contacted should any of your quilts not be required due to space limitations.

WCQG and RIM Park assume no liabilities, and cannot be responsible in the unlikely event of damage or loss of personal items used for the exhibit. The rooms used for the quilt exhibit will be locked when the exhibit is not in progress.



### EMPTY SPOOLS

This note was received by Kerry Johnson regarding the empty spools that have been collected so far:

“Hello Kerry, Thank you so much for the spools! I picked them up yesterday from the post office. I appreciate your sending and collection them!

Currently my Grade 1 students use them as ‘STEM’ materials to build things and complete challenges. Last year, my grade 4/5 students used them to create pulley systems, and one student made models of fingers to demonstrate arthritis. Basically, we use them however we can!”

- Jennifer Owen

Kerry will continue to collect empty thread spools of all sizes and materials (not just the wooden ones pictured above), even long arm cones, during Gatherings.



## Quilt Exhibit 2023 Volunteers Needed

Your Quilt Exhibit Committee has been working to prepare for the 2023 Exhibit. The Exhibit starts on Friday, October 13 and continues to Saturday October 14. In order to be a successful showing of our combined talents, there is a lot of work required for it to be a great exhibit. **We need volunteers.** The more hands we have to do the tasks, the better it will be for all involved. Volunteers are needed early Thursday morning (or Wednesday evening, if access to the building is allowed), and to unload the racks and other equipment from the rental truck, and bring them into the building at RIM Park. Loading and unloading the truck is heavy work. Young and strong volunteers are needed for these tasks. We have talked about asking high school family members. Students should be able to count the work as part of their service hours, as long as we have someone designated to sign their forms.

We need step ladders—8', 10' & 12', as well as couple of shorter ones. Volunteers who bring the ladders should be able (or bring someone with them who is able) to use the ladder. Please put your name on your ladder.

There is a brief job description on many of the sign-up sheets that will be available at Gatherings in April, May and June. If you are unable to sign up at Gatherings, please email Linda Henderson lghenders@gmail.com or phone her at 519-886-9927 to tell her the task and time slot for which you'd like to sign up.

Volunteers are needed for the following tasks at specific times:

- Unloading the rental truck at RIM Park. Either 6:00pm Wednesday or 8:00am Thursday, depending on Wednesday evening access to RIM Park.
- Cleaning and building the white PVC quilt racks— Thursday 8:30am. A white rubber mallet would be useful, please put your name on your mallet if you bring one.
- Quilt take-in—Thursday 7:00am
- Hanging the quilts—Thursday, two time slots: 10am-2pm or 1pm-5pm
- Take-down of quilts—Saturday, 5:00pm
- Quilt rack dismantling and loading the rental truck on Saturday, beginning at 5:00pm
- Quilt return—Saturday 6:00pm

Volunteers are needed for the following tasks at various times on both Friday and Saturday, during the exhibit:

- Admission Table—Friday and Saturday, 9:45am-12 noon, 12 noon-2:30pm, & 2:30pm-5pm to welcome our guests.
- Boutique—Same schedule as Admission Table
- White Gloving—Friday and Saturday, 10:00am-12:30pm, 12:30pm-2:30pm & 2:30-5:00pm
- Small Quilts Draw—Same schedule as White Gloving



**Our Virtual Vendor for April is...  
Appleseed Quiltworks of Lindsay, Ontario**

<https://www.appleseedquilt.ca/>

## Library Update

Spring has sprung and it's time to get outdoors. Hopefully more library borrowers will visit the guild library on April 5. We've added 11 new books this guild year. Good luck in winning a fat quarter for completing the Library Quiz, found on page 15, as you search for answers in these TAGS—Scrap, Batik, Book plus Tools and Kids.

The library hours have been changed to open at 10:30am and close at 2:00pm for the remainder of this guild year.

There are always new additions to the library's Book Sale Table, and there is no limit on purchases at \$2.00 each. The magazine exchange, 'Bring One—Take Two' continues.

The deadline for May online orders is May 2 and pick up is on Wednesday May 3, between 11:30am to 12:30pm.—Jean Simpson & Donna McKay

## Guild Mailing Address

Please note that our mailing address has changed.

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## Alaska Quilt Along

Throughout 2022, members from the Royal City Quilters' Guild, York Heritage Quilters' Guild and Waterloo County Quilters' Guild joined via Zoom to make Tula Pink's Butterfly Quilt. The group met on the second Saturday of each month and shared tips, techniques and more than a few laughs. Some of the finished quilts were shared in the Virtual Quilt Show on International Quilt Day.

Beginning in October, interested members from each of these guilds are invited to participate in this year's quilt-a-long, which this year will be Edyta Sitar's Alaska quilt. There is no charge to participate in this quilt-along. Participants can purchase a kit for either of these colourways or sew from your stash. Quilting By Design will be offering the Rainbow colourway and Mad About Patchwork is offering the Aurora Borealis colourway.

Visit the Royal City Quilters' Guild for more details on how to participate in this next quilt-along project.



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## April Library Quiz

Please enjoy our quiz and just maybe you'll find a book you didn't know you wanted. The answers to the April quiz can be found in these four (4) tags:

BATIK, BOOK PLUS TOOLS, KIDS and SCRAP

To help you use our online library, be sure to click on [Library Helpful Hints](#) button in the Library section of the guild's website. Click on the Library Inventory button when you're ready.

If you have any questions, please call or email Jean and/or Donna for assistance. Don't forget there is a fat quarter prize for all who complete the quiz and borrow library books. (maximum of 3)

1. How many books are in each Tag of this quiz?

Batik\_\_\_ Book plus Tools\_\_\_ Kids\_\_\_ Scrap\_\_\_

2. What do Chuck Berry and author Marsha Bergren have in common?
3. What is Virginia Baker's fresh approach for 13 classic designs?
4. Name the author who makes her Whimsical Garden into quilts.
5. In the Tag Scrap, what is the newest and oldest book in this collection?
6. Elisa Wilson loves Curves, so how many tools does she offer?
7. Laurie Shifrin offers how many Dazzling Quilt Projects?
8. How many copies do we have of Bold Batik Quilts and who is the author?
9. What's the time span for Becky Goldsmith's Bullseye Patterns?
10. Growing Up Modern—How many quilt projects are available? What Tag is this book in?
11. Whose patterns are full of "Simple Charm" and what are her two techniques?
12. Antonie Alexander has something that goes together as good as peanut butter and jam?
13. Who is "Crazy for Baby", and when was it printed?
14. What's on parade in the 2014 book in the Kids Tag?
15. We all need Scrap Therapy every once in a while. Name the author that has 2 books to help with that.
16. What is Kate's Collieran's plan to help you smash your pre-cut stash?
17. How long did I suggest to keep Jeanna Kimbal's lost book in the Book plus Too Tag and when was it printed?
18. Sally Schneider's 2013 book is fit for how many sizes?
19. Twosey-Foursey Quilts—Name the author offering Great Designs for what size units?
20. Who thinks Batik Landscape Quilts are easy to make and when was it printed?

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THIS MONTH

Deadline to order books—Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Curbside pickup at Gatherings—Wednesday, April 5, 2023, 11:30am to 12:30pm

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## Fibre Fling 2023

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Sonda Yeomans-Creezy  
Meredith Fishie  
Anne Warburton  
Juanita Sauvé  
Annie Faubert  
Helen Gordon

Friday, April 21, 10 am – 5 pm  
Saturday, April 22, 10 am – 4 pm  
Admission \$5.00

Le 21 avril - vendredi de 10 h à 17 h  
Le 22 avril - samedi de 10 h à 16 h  
Coût d'entrée : 5 \$

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April 1-May 13, 2023  
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# President's Challenge 2022/2023

## Home...means different things to different people

Just the word itself evokes emotions, remembered smells, sounds, sense of belonging, and the list goes on and on. For some, when they hear "home", they think of where they came from; others think of where they are; and still others think of someplace in between. Maybe home is a simple cup of coffee or a favorite footstool. **Home is...whatever you need it to be.**

Now that our world is opening back up more and more, let's not forget that our imposed time at home has changed us forever, and we can only hope that the change in each of us has been for the better.

**Your Challenge: Create an 'oversized' postcard, depicting your interpretation of "HOME"**

**Size: 18" x 12"** - which includes a 3/4" solid black finished outer border. No binding, finished with a facing. A hanging sleeve will be required with instructions on sizing to come. A label will also be required—full details to follow.

**Requirement:** All work must be done by the entrant (piecing and quilting)

**Due: by April 19th, 2023 Guild Meeting**

Process: Pictures to be sent to Kathy Bissett by April 15th. You can bring your completed quilt to the April Gatherings meeting or send it to Gail by April 15th. These will be shown live at the MAY Gatherings meeting, and collected to be reshowed at the October Quilt Exhibit. Members who live in the region can pick up their pieces at the end of the show, and we will make arrangements with out-of-town entrants to have their pieces returned to them.

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Each month, two lucky members will receive a \$20 virtual gift card from The Quilted Boutique to be drawn during our regular meeting

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**PAL Quilts** Nearly 70 quilts were distributed at the beginning of March. Heartfelt thanks has been received! Your efforts are truly appreciate! Going forward, batting and backing continue to be available by contacting Judy Siegner.



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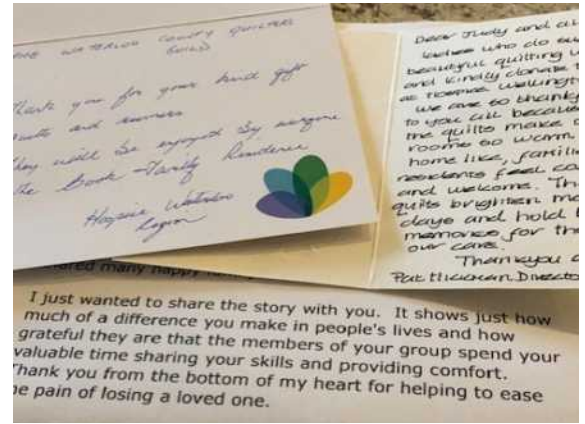
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1. Anne Nicholson
2. Bonnie Murdoch
3. Judy Siegner
4. Bonnie and Judy with PAL quilts
5. Pat Svensson
6. Jean McFarlane
7. Lori Roy
8. Marilyn Hollinger



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**Virtual Show and Share for April**

Please send pictures of your quilts, with a sentence or two about them, and dimensions,

to [kathleenbissett@me.com](mailto:kathleenbissett@me.com)

by Sunday, April 16th, so they can be included in our virtual Show and Share.



Celebrating Our 30th Anniversary !

Georgian Bay Quilters Guild presents

# Reflections of Georgian Bay



*'Aussie Reflections' by Michelle Murray (2019)*  
Winner 2019 "Journey Into The Past" Challenge

## A Quilt Show

April 29 & 30, 2023

Sat: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sun: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Tiny Township  
Community Centre  
91 Concession Rd 8 East  
Tiny, ON

Show Admission: \$7.00/day

Featuring:

Members Boutique and Quilter's Café  
(treats and refreshments)

For more information email us at  
GeorgianBayQuiltersGuild@gmail.com,  
visit our website [www.gbqg.ca](http://www.gbqg.ca),  
or see us on Facebook



Pine Tree Quilters'  
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\$ 8.00  
Daily

*Muskoka Quilts*

*... from the heart!*

## 2023 Quilt Show

Friday, June 2nd 10 am - 5 pm

Saturday, June 3rd 10 am - 4 pm

- ♥ Plenty of Free Parking
- ♥ Handicap Accessible

### FEATURING

- ♥ Quilts Galore
- ♥ Demonstrations
- ♥ Door Prizes
- ♥ Boutique
- ♥ Vendors
- ♥ Café

♥ Raffle Quilts



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# THOUSAND ISLANDS QUILTERS' GUILD



## ANNOUNCING THE T.I.Q.G. QUILT SHOW & SALE

Friday, May 26th — Saturday, May 27th, 2023

Lou Jeffries Recreation Centre  
600 King St. East, Gananoque, ON

### QUILT SHOW & SALE 2023

Lou Jeffries Recreation Centre  
600 King St. East, Gananoque, ON

Friday May 26th & Saturday May 27th, 2023

Admission: \$10.00 – Cash Only (Children under 12 FREE with an Adult)

• Quilt Display	• Boutique	• Free Parking
• Merchant Mall	• Demonstrations	• Buses Welcome
• Scissor Sharpening	• Community Quilts	• Silent Auction & more...

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:  
[www.thousandislandsquiltersguild.com](http://www.thousandislandsquiltersguild.com)





Thank you, Glenda, for demonstrating how you quilt full sized quilts on your domestic machine during our March Gatherings, and for sharing some of your lovely quilts.



Glenda has also completed her Beach wall hanging, with techniques learned from Karen Ekmeier during a recent Zoom guild workshop.





# CLASSIFIED

**FOR SALE: —BOM (from 2009, pictured below) Pattern and fabric to complete a 45" x 45" quilt, made up of 9 15" blocks, "Journey of a Quilter" by Leanne's House. Asking \$75 or best offer. Please contact Susan Stengel at hallojac@hotmail.com or by phone 519-503-1409**



**FOR SALE: Hand quilting, hoop frame (pictured below)**  
Contact Susan Stengel (email and phone above) if interested to discuss price. Handcrafted in St. Mary's, ON.



## Piecemakers Quilt Show

Thursday, April 20 • 10am-5pm  
Friday, April 21 • 10am-7pm  
Saturday, April 22 • 10am-4pm

**Pyramid Recreation Centre**  
317 James Street South  
St. Marys, Ontario

# Piecemakers 2023

### Featuring:

- New Quilts
- Merchant's Mall
- Boutique
- Quilted Articles
- Luncheon/Tea Room

Admission: \$10

Presented By:  
Huron-Perth Quilters'  
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**Huron Perth Quilters' Guild & The Stonetowne Quilters' Guild**  
Present

- PIECEMAKERS 2023 -

# QUILT SHOW


**April 20, 21 & 22**  
Thursday 10-5 • Friday 10-7 • Saturday 10-4  
The Pyramid Centre • 317 James St. S., St. Marys, ON

Admission  
\$10

New Quilts • Lunch • Door Prizes  
Merchant's Mall • Demonstrations • Boutique

For information contact Sharon Straus at [sharonstraus@hotmail.com](mailto:sharonstraus@hotmail.com)

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Become a friend on Facebook "Piecemakers Quilt Show"



## Sarnia Quilters Guild

Presents

### Water Under the Bridge Quilt Show 2023

June 2-3

Friday June 2nd 10am-6pm | Saturday June 3rd 10am-4pm

Admission \$10 | Free Parking  
Point Edward Arena, 210 Monk Street, Point Edward, ON

- Boutique
- Vendors
- Food and Refreshments
- Quilts in the Time of COVID
- Pictorial Art Quilts Inspired by David Taylor

- Mini Quilt Draw
- Children's Program
- Quilts of Valour
- Community Outreach
- Door Prizes

[www.SarniaQuiltersGuild.org](http://www.SarniaQuiltersGuild.org)

# SUNSHINE QUILT SHOW

MAY 6 & 7, 2023

10 am to 4 pm • Admission: \$7/person/day

TRILLIUM MANOR

12 Grace Avenue, Orillia

**Exhibits and Sales**

**Sunshine Market**

**Vendors**

**Tea Room**

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# PARADE SQUARE & HUG BLOCK 2023 CHALLENGE

## PARADE SQUARE

The Parade Square is a 13 1/2 inches unfinished block. In the past QOVC has created a block of the year to help generate blocks that could be efficiently put together to create much needed quilts.

The 2023 block is the Parade Square. It is 13 1/2 inches unfinished. It is comprised of 5 inch blocks and 5 x 2.5 and 7 x 2.5 inch sides.

It can be made with Northcott Oh Canada fabric or red and white fabric.

Blocks can be mailed to:

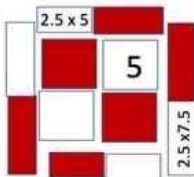
**QOVC-Blocks**  
33 Patrick Lane  
Cole Harbor, NS

B2V 2V4

Or dropped of at the QOVC booth during Quilt Canada Halifax 8-10 June 2023

The pattern can be found at:

<https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/what-s-new>



## HUG BLOCKS

Make your Hug Blocks from any of the patterns found on our website:

<https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/hug-block-patterns>

PLEASE - USE ONLY the Northcott Stonehenge OH CANADA lines of fabric for these blocks. This makes it possible to mix blocks from across the country! **Do Not** write on your block. Please include your Name and Address with your block.

Mail your blocks to:  
**QOVC - HUG BLOCKS**

33 Patrick Lane  
Cole Harbor, NS  
B2V 2V4

For more information, please email:  
[Hugblocks@quiltsofvalour.ca](mailto:Hugblocks@quiltsofvalour.ca)

## BLOCK CHALLENGE

To enter the Blocks contest: Make your Parade Square and/or Hug Blocks and mail them or drop them off to QOVC.

One Block = 1 Chance to Win  
Five Blocks = 5 Chances to WIN  
35 Blocks (Full Top) = 35 Chances to WIN!  
The PRIZE is a NORTHCOTT Fabric Bundle Valued at over \$200  
WINNER will be Drawn June 11<sup>th</sup> 2023



## QUILT SHOW 2023

### Pieces of Magic

- PRESENTED BY -

**Oxford Quilters' Guild**  
(part of the Ingersoll Creative Arts Centre)

**MAY**

THURSDAY  
**11<sup>th</sup>**  
10AM TO 6PM

FRIDAY  
**12<sup>th</sup>**  
10AM TO 6PM

SATURDAY  
**13<sup>th</sup>**  
10AM TO 4PM

**Location:** Embro Zorra Community Centre  
355644 35th Line, Embro, ON N0J 1J0

**Admission:** **\$8**



### FEATURES:

- Over 200 new quilts by members
- Guild challenges
- Door prizes
- Merchant mall
- Boutique of hand made items
- Tea room
- Raffle quilt (draw Saturday at 3pm)

For further information contact: Gwen Tracey  
[gwentracey@exoculink.com](mailto:gwentracey@exoculink.com),  
519-495-6192 or visit our website  
[www.oxfordquiltersguild.org](http://www.oxfordquiltersguild.org)

Quilting Corners Guild Presents

## Stitching Among Friends

QUILT SHOW

June 10 & 11, 2023

10:00 am to 4:00pm

Kerry Burke

Viewer's Choice Award Winner 2019



To Everything There is a Season

Simple Bird Studio

Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert St., W, Alliston, ON

Admission Adults - \$8.00  
Children (12 & Under) - \$5.00

Quilts, Wall Hangings, Quilted Apparel  
Mini Auction, Quilt Raffle, Merchant Mall  
Bed Turning, Tea Room, Corner Store

Free and Handicap Parking [www.aqcguild.edublogs.org](http://www.aqcguild.edublogs.org)

## Sewing Together, But Apart - April

Each of our STBA days for April, May, and June will feature two speakers each day. The morning speakers will be from our guild, sharing their International Quilting Day 2023 presentations, and the afternoon will continue to highlight the speakers promoted on our website in our on-line store.



Our next STBA day will take place on Wednesday, April 12, when we once again gather on Zoom for a fun day of sewing activities, socializing, sharing, and engaging in fun conversations. Our focus for the day will feature inspiration through art quilting. In the morning, we will welcome our own H. Lisa Solon from Florida as she shares her presentation from the International Quilt Day - **“Cyanotype for Quilters”**. Learn how to make your own unique printed fabric using the cyanotype process, as well as the very creative projects Lisa had made, combining her cyanotype and sashiko stitching.

In the afternoon, Maggie Dillon joins us, also from Florida. Maggie will share her **“Art Quilts & Fibre Collages Virtual**

**Trunk Show”**, which features her journey through quilts that combine portraiture, traditional techniques, and fine art. Hear the stories behind the creation of many award-winning quilts. Even if “art-quilting” is not something you normally do, this presentation will provide wonderful inspiration, and motivation as we continue our own quilting journeys.



In **May**, Renske Helmuth will share her presentation - **“Renske’s World of Quilting”** - Join us for a trunk show that provides a glimpse into the many beautiful quilts Renske has created over the years. In the afternoon, Sarah Humphreys joins us from Yorkshire, England. Have you ever felt you’ve misplaced your quilting mojo? You want to sew but have lost some enthusiasm or inspiration—or perhaps you are looking for some new motivation. Sarah will share her lecture - **‘Help! I’ve Lost My Quilting Mojo!’** Sarah has lots of ideas to get you stitching again. Sarah has over 30 years of quilting experience, and was a presenter at the Birmingham Quilt Show this year.

In **June**, Breanna Gaudaur, our vice president, will share her presentation in the morning - **“Instagram, Your New Quilting Tool**. Breanna will provide a beginner friendly intro to Instagram and will show us how to use this platform as a tool to find quilting inspiration, and possibly new friends. In the afternoon, Reed Johnson will join us from Florida. He will share his quilting journey, and a trunk show of beautiful quilts. Reed is a former trial attorney, who has now become a nationally known quilt designer, presenter, certified Quilt-in-a-Day instructor, and pattern designer. He has a special love of batiks, and all things related to quilting.

We also have a special July STBA day scheduled for the first Wednesday in July. Gail Sheppard from B.C., will be our speaker in the afternoon. Her presentation will motivate us to explore our scraps to create beautiful quilts.

To find more information and/or to register, please visit our on-line store.



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2023 QUILT SHOW



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Refreshments

Friday, May 5	10 am - 6 pm
Saturday, May 6	10 am - 4 pm

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(Across from Heavenly Rest Cemetery)

Admission: \$8 adults  
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**Prizes!**

67"x73" Egret Quilt  
60"x75" Redwork Quilt

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Raffle Tickets sold to support the  
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CANADA  
**COMPLETED QUILT CONTEST 2023**

To Enter the Quilts of Valour Canada Society  
Completed Quilts Contest:

- ✓ Make a complete Quilt of Valour as per the instructions found at:  
<https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/what-we-do>
  - ✓ Donate your completed Quilt of Valour during the contest period (3 Feb - 11 June 2023) to a QOVC Regional Representative or drop off at the QOVC Booth during Quilt Canada in Halifax June 8-10<sup>th</sup> 2023  
<https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca/contacts>
- AND**
- ✓ Email a PHOTO of your quilt with your NAME, ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER to [contest@quiltsofvalour.ca](mailto:contest@quiltsofvalour.ca)



For EACH Completed Quilt + Email entry submitted  
You will be entered in the draw.

**The PRIZE:**  
Janome 3160 QOVC Sewing Machine  
WINNER will be Drawn  
June 11<sup>th</sup> 2023



**Global Quilt Connections – May 6 & 7 – 3:00-6:00 p.m.**



Be sure to save these dates so you can participate in the next Global Quilt Connections All-Star Sampler Platter. Eighteen quilt teachers will each share 15-minute demonstrations – that's 6 hours of viewing over the two days. The viewing



links will be available for 48 hours following the live events. There is no need to register. The cost for this event has been covered by the guild. The link for this event will be sent to all guild members in the Friday update before the event. More information about the eighteen presenters will be shared in the May newsletter.



## May and June Workshops

### Free Motion Compositions with Christina Cameli - May 27, 2023

Would you like to combine more than one motif in your quilting? Practice Christina Cameli's free-motion strategies with her expert guidance. This is a class for quilters who have already had an introduction to free-motion quilting.



Christina will join us from Portland, Oregon, and coach participants on how to improve machine quilting skills.

Date: Saturday May 27, 2023

Time: 10:30am ET to 1:30pm ET

Cost: Members \$55, non-members \$65

Skill: Some experience with free motion quilting.



### Foundation Paper Piecing Workshop with Tina Craig - June 24, 2023

Date: Saturday June 24, 2023

Time: 9:30am ET—1:30pm

Cost: Members \$55, non-members \$65

Skill level - Beginner to experienced

Tina Craig, from Rhode Island, will teach her **'Spring Fling Foundation Paper Piecing Table Runner Workshop'**. In this workshop, participants will learn all the techniques and tips to be successful. A



sample of what will be made in the class is shown to the left. Patterns for butterflies and tulips are included in the cost of the workshop, so you can create your own design.

Be sure and sign up for these workshops on our online store. - Program Committee



## Upcoming ONLINE Speaker and Workshop Information

- April 15** - 'Traditional Variations' workshop with Cheryl Arkinson
- April 19** - April Speaker - Diane Murtha - 'Accept the Challenge and Win the Prize'
- April 25** - 'Modified Quilt-As-You-Go' Workshop with Diane Murtha
- MAY 6** - Diane Murtha - 'Modified Quilt As You Go' workshop
- May 17** - May Speaker - Christina Cameli '
- May 27**- Christina Cameli - 'Free Motion Compositions'
- June 24** - Tina Craig - 'Spring Fling FPP Table Runner'



## The Quilting Months Ahead...

### Elected Officers of the Guild 2022-2023

**President:** Gail Berry-Graham  
**Vice President:** Breanna Gaudaur  
**Treasurer:** Andrea Heimrich  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Laura Huras  
**Secretary:** Doris Martin  
**Past President:** Jean McFarlane

### Standing Committees

**Historian:** Deby Wettges  
**Librarians:** Jean Simpson & Donna McKay  
**Membership:** Madeline Hughes  
 Pat Lockyer  
 Kitty Mitchell  
 Betty Anne Scott  
 Bettie Schuurman  
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 Pat Lockyer - Mailings  
**Advertising Co-ordinator :** Marg Sandiford  
**Program & Workshops:** Sylvia Fernley, Ev Cameron,  
 Joan Holland, Cathy Jurchuk & Inge Ford  
**Quilt Exhibit:** Elaine LaRonde & Inge Ford,  
 Co-chairs  
**Website & Online Store:** Kathy Bissett  
**Facebook:** Marg Sandiford

### DATE

### Activity

April 1 to May 13	Celebration—The Grand Guild of Fibre Artists
April 5	Gatherings at Albert McCormick Arena - Kathy Bissett - 'Celebrations'
April 12	STBA with H. Lisa Solon - 'Cyanotype for Quilters' and Maggie Dillon 'Art Quilts & Fibre Collages Virtual Trunk Show'
April 15	'Traditional Variations' Workshop with Cheryl Arkison
April 19	Regular Guild Meeting on Zoom with speaker Diane Murtha—'Accept the Challenge & Win the Prize'
April 20 –22	Piecemakers 2023 Quilt Show
April 25	'Modified Quilt As You Go' Workshop with Diane Murtha
April 29 & 30	'Reflections on Georgian Bay' Quilt Show
May 3	Gatherings at Albert McCormick Arena - Grace Cameron - Purses
May 6 & 7	Sunshine Quilt Show, Orillia, Ontario
May 10	STBA with 'Renske's World of Quilting' featuring Renske Helmuth and Sarah Humphreys, Yorkshire England - "Help I've Lost My Quilting Mojo"

Our website: <http://www.wcquiltersguild.on.ca/>

Newsletter Deadline for the May 2023 issue is April 27, 2023