



Royal City Quilters' Guild

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October Meeting

Tuesday, October 12, 2010

Three Willows United Church,
577 Willow Rd., Guelph

6:45 Doors Open
7:00 Opening Remarks
7:15 Program



Meeting Checklist

- ✓ Membership Fees (\$37)
- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Show and Share
- ✓ Newsletter Submissions
- ✓ Zehrs Tapes
- ✓ Comfort Quilt Block

Program

We hope everyone enjoyed the trunk show by Garnet of Cotton-by-Post. His quilts of Hawaii brought some oohs, and ahhs from our group, we can't wait to visit him in August when he shows a lot more of these colourful, beautiful quilts in London.

This month our speaker will be Marilyn Farquhar. Marilyn has been an avid quilter for twenty-eight years. Traditional patterns used to be the standard for Marilyn, but currently she prefers to create her own original designs. Marilyn has won numerous awards at the local, national and international level, including an "Excellence in Machine Quilting" at the Ontario Juried Show. You may have seen one of Marilyn's quilts gracing the cover of the summer 2008 issue of Canadian Quilter. The trunk show Marilyn will present to us is entitled "The Learning Continues", a trunk show we are sure you won't want to miss. See you there!

Joanne Ariss and Shelly Palframan
Co-chairs, Program Committee

President's Message

Fall is officially here. I love this time of year with the leaves turning all sorts of wonderful colours, the farmers' markets stocked with a multitude of fruits and vegetables. It truly inspires one in the fall pallet when designing and/or sewing quilts. The nights are also getting longer now and I might add a little chillier. One can snuggle up in their PJ's and start sewing or planning the next sewing project.

I guess it's time to bring out all those projects that were put on the back burner during the summer months and finish them up. Or..... maybe you just haven't had a chance to get them started yet. Well now is as good a time as any. I know a lot of you plan to make some Christmas gifts so you had better get started or before you know it

It's also the time of year for Quilt Shows and Shop Hops. I personally plan on taking in a few of these this fall. Check out all the info in this newsletter, and maybe I'll see you there. Now where did I put my wallet??

Be sure to read the Block-of-the-Month column. I hear there will be a **prize awarded for finished Block #4!** (Yes, you have to bring it with you.)

Wishing every one of you an fun-filled, inspiring October.

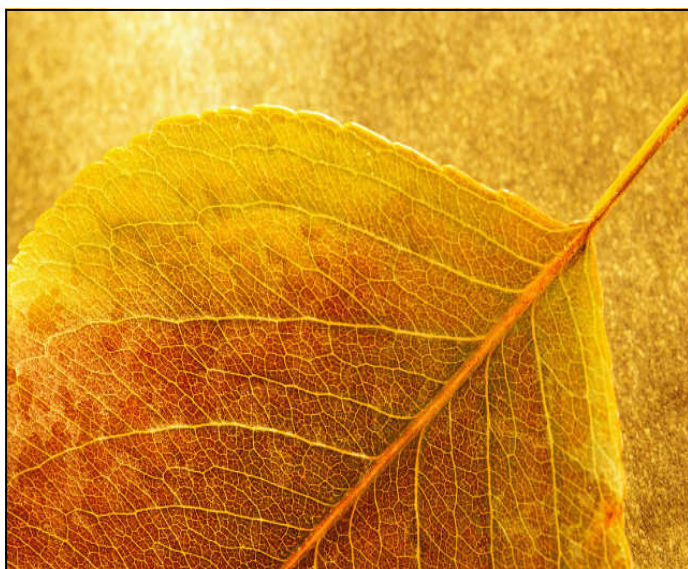
PS. The Quilt Show is coming up. Would you like to help out? Please let me know if you are interested in being on the Show Committee.

Susan Harrington, President



Show and Share

A big thank you to everyone who shared with us their latest work at September's meeting. Thanks to Lisa Jones, Anne Smith, Susan Harrington, Jacoba Near, Nancy McNab, Joy Lefneski, Marj Mansell, Kathy Wagner, Barbara Kuczynski, Nancy Wells and also the Friends In Quilting group. Every month our members are encouraged to show and share with us their latest finished or unfinished projects. The sign-up sheet for the show and share is usually in the back corner of our meeting room where you can sign-up at the beginning of the meeting and then share with us your latest creation.



Special Projects

Sign up for special interest groups in October! We have a number of existing special interest groups that meet outside of our once a month Guild meeting. This is a great way to meet other members and share your common quilting interest.

There will be sign up sheets at the October 12th meeting for those groups looking for members. If you have a group you would like to start, please contact Barbara Jordan 519-837-0818 or barbara.rcqg@gmail.com to be included in the sign up sheets.

Barb Jordan, Special Projects

Mystery Block of the Month

We have received permission from a pattern designer to offer you this block of the month mystery for FREE to our Guild members making comfort quilts. Please respect the generous gift of the use of this pattern by not copying it for other people and by giving the pattern designer (whose identity will be revealed at the end) credit for this quilt design.

In the March newsletter will be the instructions for the sashing and the borders. The grand reveal of the mystery quilts will be at the June meeting. The finished size of the quilt is 60" x 72". See September's newsletter for recommended yardages.

Mystery BOM Tips (BE SURE TO READ):

- ♦ 3/16" of an inch is between the 1/8" and 1/4" line. Most rulers don't show the 16ths. Using this measurement (if you have a perfect 1/4" seam) makes your blocks accurate. **However, if you want to make the block a little bigger and cut on the 1/4" line and trim each pieced unit as you go along, you can do that too.**
- ♦ **Block #2 Patch A** cut 4 squares 4 3/16" of the medium fabric, then cut diagonally twice...difficult to see in the graphics but you will be sewing 2 triangles back together of the same size to take up half of the Quarter Square Triangle block...doesn't seem to make sense to quilters to do this, but that's what the directions say. If you have any questions about this, please see Kathy at the break!
- ♦ Each month you will get 2 block patterns in the newsletter...this month it is block #3 and #4 and each month it seems there will be one that is easier and one that is a little bit harder. ***WARNING...Block #4 is hard!** There will be a **prize draw** to enter for each quilter who brings a block #4 to guild meeting!
- ♦ This is for your quilting fun, so if your block isn't coming together as the directions show, make up your own version (no quilt police here).

Email me (Kathy Wagner) if you have questions:

kewagner@sentex.net

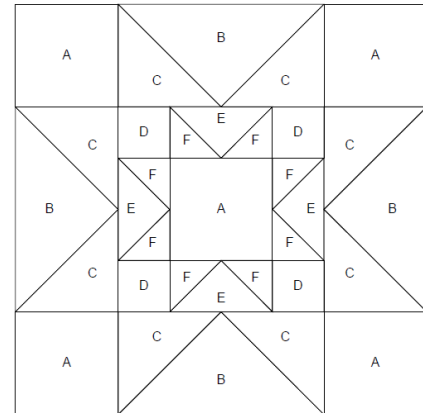
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Block 3


12 1/2" Block

Sew together patches as shown using a 1/4" seam. Press to the darker fabric if possible.



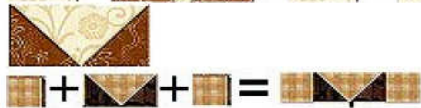
Patch #	Color# to Cut	Color# to Cut	Size & Shape	Second Cut*
F	 4		2 3/8 square	
E	 1		4 3/16 square	
D	 4		2 inch square	
B	 1		7 3/16 square	
A	 4	 1	3 1/2 square	
C	 4		3 7/8 square	

*  - Cut once diagonally.

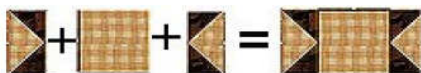
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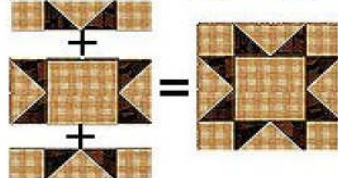
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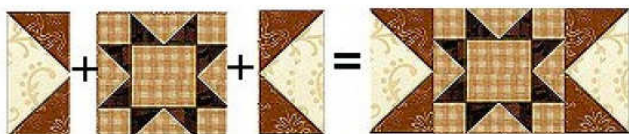
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Make 1 of these units



Make 1 of these units. This is the center of your block.

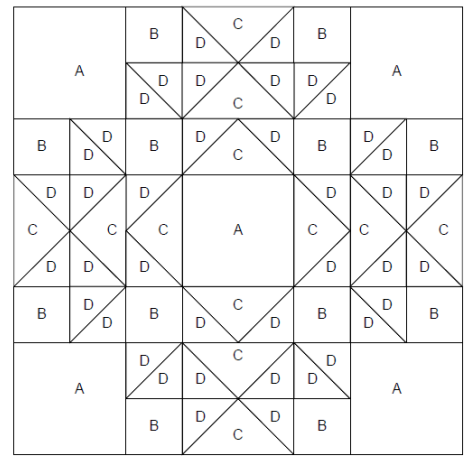
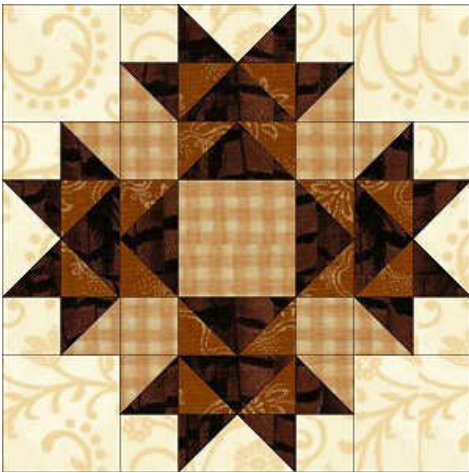


Add the shorter sides, then the longer ones to complete the block.

Block 4

12 1/2" Block

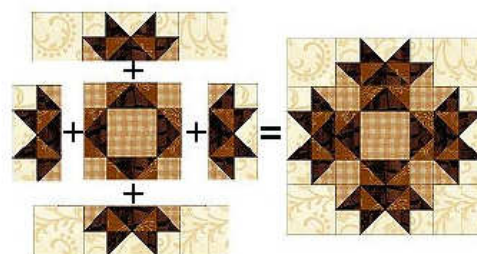
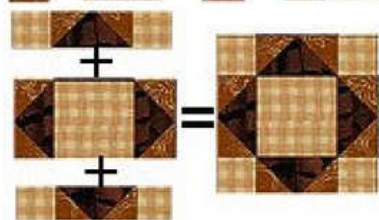
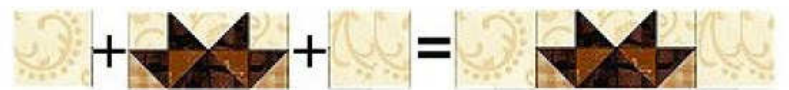
Sew together patches as shown using a 1/4" seam. Press to the darker fabric if possible.



Patch #	Color # to Cut	Color # to Cut	Color # to Cut	Size & Shape	Second Cut*
A	1	4		3 1/2 square	
B	8	4		2 inch square	
C	2	4		4 3/16 square	
D	8	8	4	2 3/8 square	

* - Cut once diagonally.

- Cut twice diagonally



Membership

At the September meeting we were joined by 10 guests. One of the guests decided to join us at the break. We signed up and/or renewed 34 members. Welcome to new members Mary Groh, Edna Keown and Yolanda Jankowski Blanchard, and to new junior apprentice member Morgan Curtis. A warm welcome also goes out to Diana Bennet and Sandy Campbell who joined at the June meeting.

Once again thanks to all who signed up and thanks to everyone who helped out with the membership sign up.

Lisa Jones, Membership



Library

Your library has more than 500 books, magazines and videos that you can borrow at each meeting. You can find a complete listing of the books we own at <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/rcgg> or you can drop by the library before the meeting or at break, and browse.

Laurel Marsolais, Library



Workshops

Do you have any UFO's ?

Having trouble finding time to start your next project?

Do you need help in putting your quilt together, binding, basting your quilt, machine quilting, etc?

Join us to tackle new projects and get others finished.

Quilt Retreat Day

Where? Three Willows United Church

When? Saturday, November 20th 9 am – 3 pm

Price? \$25

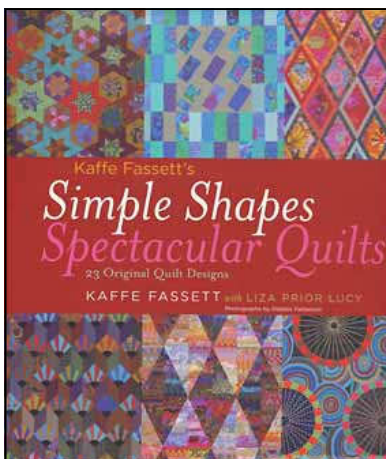


Visit Jackie James, Cindy Kinnon and Andrea Curtis at the Workshop table at the next meeting to get any details and register.

Full Payment will reserve your spot.

Book Review

Kaffe Fassett's
Simple Shapes
Spectacular Quilts:
23 Original Quilt
Designs



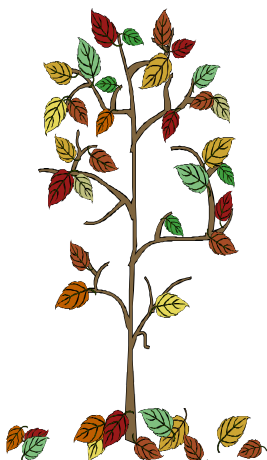
World-renowned fabric artist, Kaffe Fassett, shares hundreds of photographs of geometric inspiration from his travels. He explains how he experiences the colours and shapes around him and translated them into his signature fabrics and vibrant quilts.

There are instructions for 23 gorgeous quilts. Some are super-simple, like Tilt, which is basically brick sized rectangles around a centre square of tilted rectangles – the gorgeous colour-scheme does all the work, you just do the cutting and sewing. Other patterns are more intricate, like Belts and Braces (a lattice block composed of various light and dark fabrics). The diamond patterns include Circle of Stars, and Bordered Diamond (a beautiful way to feature large-scale prints). The circular (and quarter circle) quilts include Tumbling Fans, Bow-Tie Circles, and Floral Snowballs.

My only complaint is that the cutting instructions use templates (unless the pieces are squares), rather than rotary cutting. I think that with careful examination of the instructions and the templates, most quilters could convert the instructions to rotary cutting.

NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The next meeting of the RCQG Executive will be held Monday, October 19, 2010, at the Co-operators Building on Macdonell Street. We start promptly at 7:00 pm and finish at 9:30. Please review your minutes prior to the meeting.



Calendar



Brant Heritage Quilters Guild Quilt Show
Quilts of our Times, Paris, Ontario
October 8-9, 139 Silver St. Paris Fairgrounds.
Admission: \$5

Quilt-a-Thon—Victoria's Quilts Canada, Ottawa, Ontario
October 16, Church of the Nazarene, 2 Stonehaven Drive, Kanata, Ontario. Registration at 8:30 am until 4:00 pm. Admission: \$5

The Charlie Fund Quilt Event 2010, Oakville, Ontario
October 23, Maple Grove United Church, 346 Maple Grove Drive, Oakville, ON, Admission: \$2

Magic of Cloth Act IV, October 23-24, Orangeville Fairgrounds, 247090 5 Sideroad, Orangeville, Ontario, Admission: \$5

Harvest of Quilts, October 29-30, General Sikorski Polish Veterans' Hall, 1551 Stevenson Rd. North, Oshawa, Ontario, Admission: \$5

SHOP HOP:

November 4-6—Participating stores are Ye Olde Fabric Shoppe—Stratford, The Quilt Place—Shakespeare, Creative Sewing Centre—Kitchener, Creative Sisters—Kitchener, Reichard's—St. Jacobs

Call For Wall Hangings

Quilted Wall Hangings are being accepted at the St. Joseph's Health Centre now through mid November.



They should measure no more than 36" x 36". Please drop them off at St. Joseph's Health

Centre located on Westmount Rd. There will be a reception for those who donate a wall hanging on December 14. These quilts will be enjoyed by the residents whether they are male, female, middle-aged, seniors or young-at heart.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Thank you to all who submitted information for this newsletter. The deadline for the next newsletter is the October Guild meeting.

Susan Knabenschuh