

November Newsletter

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**Royal City Quilters' Guild
Guelph, Ontario, Canada**

Guild Meeting

**Next Guild Meeting:
Tuesday, November 9, 2021
7:00pm ET on Zoom**

MEETING ACCESS

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members and guests on the day before the Guild meeting by Becky Fiedler.

MEMBERSHIP AND GUEST PASSES

To renew your membership or purchase a guest pass visit the [RCQG store](#).

VIDEO RECORDING

If you miss the meeting, don't worry! The Guild meeting will be recorded and the link emailed to the membership within about 24 hours.

ZOOM, ZOOM!

Please update Zoom before the meeting. Visit the [RCQG Zoom How-To](#) to learn how to update Zoom, and for a Zoom video tutorial.

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter ends with the RCQG Sew Safe Policy. If you are unable to view the entire newsletter, visit the [RCQG Newsletter Archives](#) to see the full version. If you would like to advertise in the newsletter, please get in touch with Jane Londerville (advertising [at] royalcityquiltersguild.ca)

EMAILS

Any email addresses listed in the newsletter are written in the following format to prevent spam:

namename [at] server.com

To send an email, replace [at] with @ and remove the extra spacing.

All addresses are also available in the Guild Directory.

November Programme



David Owen Hastings

In November we will be treated to a presentation called 'Minimal Design, Maximum Impact'. The modern quilting movement is evolving and changing, but one thing remains constant: simple, spare design combined with thoughtful quilting make an outstanding combination.

[visit website >>](#)



SHOW & SHARE

To participate in Show & Share please email a photo of your quilt (preferably with you in the photo too!) to Susan Thompson (showandshare [at] royalcityquiltersguild.ca). Include your name, the name of the quilt, the pattern, and the quilter. During the meeting Susan will project the photo for all to see and you'll be asked to speak about it.

Deadline for photos: 7pm on the Sunday night before the meeting.



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Sew Safe Policy - UPDATED



In light of recent developments around COVID protocols, the Sew Safe policy has been updated:

Due to the global COVID-19 environment, our concern for members' well-being, and liability concerns for the Royal City Quilters Guild, all RCQG activities are to be conducted according to current Ontario provincial guidelines including capacity limits, masking, and physical distancing.

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Member Spotlight

The spotlight this month is on the RCQG Executive. When the spotlight segment was introduced and we met in person the focus was intentionally on someone who didn't have a role on the RCQG executive so that we could get to know members of the Guild who weren't up at the microphone regularly making announcements. However, since we've been online much of the of the Executive's work is hidden behind the scenes. Because of that many of the Executive may be unknown to you.

I asked each member of the executive to share when they joined the Guild, where they live, and either their best memory of the RCQG, or the story of a quilt they have a fond memory of. Read on!



SCOTT SHAU
PRESIDENT

Joined RCQG: 2014

Lives in: Guelph, Ontario

My best memory of the Guild is the special interest groups. On the first day I attended there was a sign-up for a bunch of special interest groups. I over involved myself and signed up for many of them, it was a great way to meet people in a smaller setting than in the main Guild meeting.



BECKY FIEDLER

VICE PRESIDENT

Joined RCQG: Sept 2017

Lives in: Guelph, Ontario

When my husband and I were contemplating a move from Florida to Canada, we visited Guelph where I was able to attend a Saturday workshop as an out-of-town guest. At lunch time, the table around me filled with RCQG quilters ready to answer my questions and convince me that Guelph should be my new home. They were right, of course! Jean Hilborn, Membership Chair at the time, followed up my visit via email throughout packing, moving and arriving in Guelph. She wanted to make sure I had at least one friend when I got to town!



PAT GAGE

SECRETARY

Joined RCQG: 2015ish

Guelph, Ontario

I made a red, black & grey king-sized quilt for my daughter for her new bed. I used EQ8 design, with the help of a colleague and it turned out absolutely gorgeous. This is the best quilt I have ever done. Since then I have learned to do applique and play around with lap quilts, table-toppers, placemats etc.



ALYSON ANKER

TREASURER

Joined RCQG: June 2014

Lives in: Guelph, Ontario

I loved our 25th anniversary get together. Seeing everyone as well as the incredible display of quilts was just amazing.



JANE LONDERVILLE

PUBLICITY

Joined RCQG: about 10+ years ago

Lives in Guelph, Ontario

I've come to the realization that I no longer have the attention span or interest in doing the many repetitive tasks in making a quality traditional quilt. These days I like being pushed in new directions by my friends in the modern and art quilt groups and through workshops.



HELEN KOCMAREK

MEMBERSHIP

Joined RCQG: At the Aberfoyle quilt show in 2018

Lives in Freelon, ON

I attended my first executive meeting as a guest observer. This meeting coincided with the executive decision to move the membership meetings to an online format due to the Covid-19 pandemic. I was very impressed with the positive “can do” attitude, the confidence, and technical knowledge of the executive members.



MARIETTE DENIS

PROGRAM / WORKSHOP REP.

Joined RCQG: 2016ish

Lives in Guelph, ON

I will always cherish the camaraderie my quilting friends provided during these recent isolating COVID months.



LINDSAY CORE

NEWSLETTER

Joined RCQG: 2013ish

Lives in Guelph, Ontario

I have the baby quilt made by my mother that was on my cradle when I arrived home from the hospital as a newborn. In classic 1970s fashion it is yellow and orange. It was embroidered with animals and quilted with yarn ties. I loved it so much for the first decade of my life that all the embroidery was worn off except for the eyes that still peer at me from the cupboard where it now lives.



JAN SNELL

CO-CHAIR, COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Joined RCQG: Fall 2020

Lives in Caledon, ON

I believe in the comfort quilts can provide. I made a baby quilt for my niece 31 years ago. It happened to be a tied patchwork piece with white eyelet squares alternating with blue and pink squares that had teddy bears sliding down rainbows. That quilt was christened Care Bear, although there are no 'Care Bears' on it. This quilt has literally been worn to shreds but has brought ongoing comfort to my niece. Care Bear was pulled out of the closet as recently as this past summer when her father passed away. Only then did I learn that Care Bear had a gender (she) and that she also brought comfort to my adult nephew. Quilts are made with Love and let people know that you care.



KATRINA BAKLARZ

CO-CHAIR, COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Joined RCQG: 2013ish

Lives in Guelph, ON

I was introduced to RCQG by Monica Bell. I immediately joined Community Outreach and the Modern Group and never looked back. I have met so many lovely quilters and learned so much from my quilting friends at RCQG. This will always be my memory of our Guild.



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International Quilting Day

It's coming! Please join us for the 3rd annual International Quilting Day.

If you have joined us before for this full day of workshops, camaraderie, and sewing you know it's worth reserving your spot right now! If you've never attended please consider joining us this year - this event is one of the highlights of the Guild year and is free for members.

Please visit the website for all the details about International Quilting Day 2022.

- Registration is open - sign up now!
- Be sure to submit a quilt to the virtual quilt show.
- Share this info with your friends.
- Free for RCQG members. Guests may attend for \$20.

See you there!

Visit website>>



Join us for International Quilting Day!

Saturday, March 19, 2022
A virtual, all-day celebration
Demonstrations, vendors, prize draws!
Featuring: Meg Cox, International Quilt Museum

**Free for members
of 3 Guilds:**

Royal City Quilters' Guild
York Heritage Quilters Guild
Waterloo County Quilters' Guild
Guest fee \$20

Register at <https://rcqg.square.site/>

Membership



NEW MEMBERS

The RCQG stands at 180+ members for the 2021-2022 Guild year. The guild extends a very warm welcome our most recent members: **Shelleen Nelson, Lois Eveleigh, Brenda Morton-Butler, Michele Piper**

Community Outreach



Thank you to all busy bee quilters who participated in Bee Month. Many quilt tops have been made and complete quilts donated. Thank you.

Show and Share

We look forward to seeing some of the quilt tops and quilts during the Show and Share portion of our November meeting. It is time to show off! Whatever you made and donated to the Community Outreach Program, please be sure to take a photograph for your records and send a copy to showandshare [at] royalcityquiltersguild.ca



Image from: <https://www.craftcouncil.org/magazine/article/pieces-whole>

Virtual Bee Day was a success with a goal of having fun and producing quilts for charity. Some people were sewing, some were quilting, and some were binding. All important steps in quilt making. The discussions included books, quilt making techniques, rulers, battings and even pre-washing batting.

Did someone say prizes???

A draw will be held at the November meeting, using a random number generator. There are seven prizes to be won and each name entered reflects a quilt or quilt top. Prizes will be available for pick up at the bin closest to you.

Are you eager to quilt for the Outreach Program?

There are still a few kits available so feel free to contact Jan Snell to arrange for pick up.

**Community Outreach Bins
for pick-up and drop-off**

Trish Pequegnat's House: 12 Trillium Court, Guelph (ipequegnat [at] rogers.com)

Cindy's Office: Tacoma Engineers, 176 Speedvale Ave., Guelph 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday.

QUILT SIZES FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PHOTO GALLERY



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Virtual Workshops



Registration is open! Our first workshop is scheduled for November 21, 2021. Sign up now if you are interested by [clicking here](#) to visit the RCQG online store.

WILD ABOUT STRINGS

When: Saturday, November 20, 2021

Cost: \$10

Instructor: Adriana Fagan

Location: Zoom – 9:30 am to 12:30 pm (ET).

Stashbusters





Stash Busters is one of RCQG's Special Interest Groups. We meet on Zoom, the first Wednesday of every month. Our social sewing starts at 9:30 am and ends around 3:30 pm. Our next Sew Days are December 1st and January 5th.


For our next project, RCQG's own Becky Fiedler will lead us in making a quilt-as-you-go pattern called "Speedy Stars by Fairy Lake quilt Designs. This pattern is available digitally for \$9.95 US from [Fairy Lake Quilts \(link\)](#). If you are interested in joining us for this project, please contact Sue Foard (stashbusters [at] royalcityquiltersguild.ca) for additional details.

The Community Outreach team will provide kits to members who wish to work on a Stash Busters' project, to donate to Community Outreach. Please email Jan Snell (janice.snell [at] gmail.com) by November 15th if you are interested in receiving a kit for Speedy Stars.



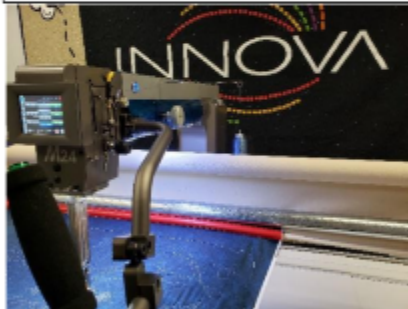
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CQA News and Events



The most recent CQA/AAC newsletter listed two new Facebook groups that they've started:

[Quilting in Canada](#)

[CQA Quilting Projects](#)

CQA/AAC has started to offer webinars twice a month throughout the year. Tickets can be purchased online, [here](#) is the schedule.

CQA/AAC has announced the 2021-2022 challenges - from a youth challenge to a fabric challenge. Read all about the newest challenges [here](#).

RCQG Calendar

The Guild has lots of online offerings, from Stash Busters, to Special Interest Groups, and workshops.
Find all the happenings here:

[RCQG Calendar of Events](#)

Neighbouring Guilds



YORK HERITAGE QUILTERS' GUILD

November 16: Cheryl Arkison, Scraps vs. Scrappy www.cherylarkison.com
November 20 (9:30-4:00) Cheryl Arkison ,Workshop: Make Words Not War
November 23 (9:30-4:00) Cheryl Arkison, Workshop: Scryptastic!
February 15: Brandy Maslowski, A Quilter's Journey www.quilteronfire.com
February 22 (9:30-4:30): Brandy Maslowski, Workshop: Healing Stitches
February 26 (9:30-4:30): Brandy Maslowski, Workshop: Colourways
March 15: Carolina Oneto, Playing With Colour Value carolinaoneto.com
March 26 (9am-12pm): Carolina Oneto, Workshop: Organic Shapes
March 29 (12pm-4pm): Carolina Oneto, Workshop: Curves and Transparencies
(and more!)

WATERLOO COUNTY QUILTERS' GUILD

Nov 17: Diane Harris, Jingle Bells Trunk Show
Nov 20: Inez Drummond, Workshop: Baskets for Everything

GRAND QUILT GUILD

November 10: Elizabeth DeCroos, Pojagi: From Ancient Korea to Modern Canada
December 8: Valerie Wilson, Uncovering Art Quilts
January 12: Sharon Blackmore, Express Yourself
February 9: Mary Elizabeth Kinch, Trunk Show

MISSISSAUGA QUILT GUILD

November 4: Julia McLeod, Silk and Salvage: A Story of Collaboration
www.juliamcleodquilts.com
January 6: Kim Caskey, Tour of Japan www.kimcaskey.ca
February 3: Jackie White, Trunk Show www.jackiewhitequilts.com
March 3: Melissa Marginet, Myth: Quilting is an Expensive Hobby
April 7: Nancy McCracken, Trunk show
May 5: Robin Bogaert, Trunk Show www.quiltingintheloft.com

REGION OF YORK QUILTERS' GUILD

November 24: Al Cote <https://www.imaginationtextile.com>
January 26 TBD
February 23: Peter Byrne www.peterbquilts.com
March 23: Arlene Nicholas, My Quilting Journey
April 27: Carla Alexiuk, Things I have Learnt from Quilting www.quiltingbytheriver.ca

Show & Share

By clicking the button below you can view the entire Show & Share gallery from the last Guild meeting.

[Show & Share Powerpoint](#)



**Dianne
Kirk-Benincasa**

My most recent comfort
quilt to be donated.

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Please note that submissions may be edited for clarity and length.

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