


RCQG December 2022 Newsletter (Updated Version)

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December Newsletter
Royal City Quilters' Guild
Guelph, Ontario, Canada

President's Message

Fellow Members,

Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I hope your holiday plans and gift-giving projects are well in hand. If they're not, I wish you many productive hours between now and whatever deadlines you are facing.

Our December meeting will be fully virtual. If one of your Guild friends is uncomfortable using Zoom, consider asking them to join you for the meeting. Do you have a techie-type in your circle of acquaintances? Now would be a great time to ask them how to watch a Zoom meeting on your TV. You could host a Guild meeting watch party!

Our guest speaker this month is MJ Kinman. She is a textile artist who specializes in super-sizing spectacular gems to show off the light and colour within. She will share her National Treasures Trunk Show, inspired by the Smithsonian's National Gem Collection. We'll learn about the gems and their amazing stories, including the people who were caught up in their orbits.

Our own Diane Carson will also update us on the latest news from CQA and the challenges CQA is sponsoring. If you'd like more information about the challenges, please visit the RCQG website. We have information about the CQA challenges under the Activities menu.

I look forward to seeing you, on Zoom, on December 13!

Becky Fiedler

New Executive Positions

We'd like to extend a big "Thank You" to Süz Warkentin and Catherine Petch for volunteering to serve as co-chairs of the Programme Committee. Please reach out to them if you would like help them with the very important task of choosing speakers for Guild meetings.

Guild Meeting

**Next Guild Meeting:
Tuesday, December 13, 2022
7:00pm EST on Zoom**

December Programme

PROGRAMME FOR 2022-2023

Read about the full lineup of speakers and watch the sneak peek video.

[Read More>>](#)



MJ Kinman

MJ likes to say she makes the biggest diamonds in the world. But instead of using the hardest substances in the world, she uses the softest - cloth. MJ's work has been exhibited in national competitions, galleries, and museums, including the National Quilt Museum and the International Quilt Museum. MJ is a BERNINA Brand Ambassador and is always delighted to share her techniques with new and experienced quilters alike.

For more information, visit MJ's website and social media sites:
Website: www.MJKinman.com



SHOW AND SHARE

Zoom Meetings

For December, January and February, 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.

(Joan Hett held down the fort in November's Show and Share. Let's help her out in December and share some of our work!)

MEETING ACCESS

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

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 Cathy Buchanan at 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.

Host a Guild Watch Party



If you love the social aspect of attending meetings in-person, consider hosting a Guild meeting watch party with a few of your friends. You won't have to huddle around a computer screen. Instead, mirror anything you see on your computer screen (or iPad or phone or tablet) to your TV.

WIKIHOW Connect HDMI to TV

Another approach is to wirelessly share your screen to your TV. Often, this involves another device like Google's Chromecast; Amazon's Fire stick; a Roku device or one of the other screensharing solutions. There are buttons below for each of these options.

Chromecast Mirroring

Mirroring to a Fire TV Stick

Screen Mirror with Roku

Mac users use something called AirPlay to accomplish this. You can mirror to an Apple TV or a compatible smart TV. Use the Apple AirPlay button.

Quite a number new TVs have AirPlay built in. If you have a compatible TV and an Apple device, you probably have everything you need. Click on the button for Built-In AirPlay.

During the winter months, Guild meetings will be exclusively on Zoom. Weather permitting, you can enjoy the warmth and company of a few friends at a Guild Meeting Watch Party.

Mirror with Apple AirPlay on a Smart TV

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Membership Report

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Please join me in welcoming Sandra Thomas to the guild.

Attendance numbers for October's hybrid meeting are as follows; 41 in-person and 56 via Zoom.

Helen Kocmarek

Membership Fees

For the 2022-2023 Guild year, the membership fee will remain unchanged at \$40. The membership fee for people who join in February will change to \$30 from \$25. Guest passes will change to \$10 from \$5.

These fee changes are keeping in line with other Guilds in the area.

Membership Renewal

If you can't find your renewal invoice, try the following:

- type "invoice" in your email search field
- check the messages you received on May 11th
- check your junk mail folder if you don't see it
- contact [membership\[at\]royalcityquiltersguild.ca](mailto:membership@royalcityquiltersguild.ca) if you need assistance.

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Community Outreach

Bee Day

Thank you to all the quilters who have contributed to a very successful Bee Month, as we made Bee Day kits into quilt tops, finished Outreach projects in progress, sewed on borders and bindings, made backings and quilted quilts. It takes many hands to make an Outreach Comfort quilt and if you contributed, know that you have made a difference in the community by supporting someone at a very vulnerable time.

It is Prize Time!

Time ran out at the last meeting as Naomi inspired us with her art and wisdom. The RCQG Community Outreach Committee met on Tuesday, November 29th and at that time used a random number generator to determine the 2022 Bee Day Prize winners.

Moda Jelly Roll - Nellie Hanuta

Alphabits - Pat Donovan

Hexagon Papers for English Paper Piecing - Joanne Ariss

CONGRATULATIONS!

Please contact Jan Snell so that your prize can be placed in the correct bin for pick up.



Quilters Needed

Due to the success of Bee Day and the generosity of quilters, to date the Outreach Committee has accumulated close to 50 quilt kits in need of quilting. We know that the holiday season will be upon us very soon but when setting goals for the new year, perhaps you would consider planning to quilt one of our quilt kits which include the completed quilt top, the batting, the backing and

binding. Oh, there is something so satisfying about finishing the binding and seeing the completed quilt!

Within our guild we have been blessed by the generosity of many of the local Long Arm Quilters who share their talents, time and thread with the RCQG Outreach program. However quilters are welcome to use your walking foot or open toed darning foot to learn, practise and develop your domestic machine quilting skills. A comfort quilt brings cheer because it is a colourful, soft and cozy hug.

QUILT SIZES FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PHOTO GALLERY

Community Outreach Bins for pick-up and drop-off

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

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



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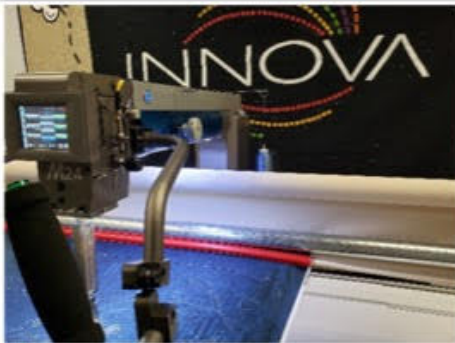
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Workshops

WORKSHOPS FOR 2022-2023

The lineup of workshops was also announced in May and registration opened July 15. [Read More>>](#)

SNAPSHOT OF WORKSHOPS:

Instructor: David Owen Hastings -- 2 people on waiting list

Class: Inspired by Architecture

Cost: \$70

Dates: Saturday, February 4, 2023, 12pm to 6pm (ET)

Location: Online via Zoom

Website: <https://davidowenhastings.com/>

Instructor: Paul Leger

Class: Square Peg, Round Hole

Cost: \$25

Dates: Saturday, March 25, 2023, 10:30 am to 1:30 pm (ET) (Part 1 of 2)
and Saturday, April 1, 2023, 10:30 am to 1:30 pm (ET) (Part 2 of 2)

Location: Online via Zoom

Website: paullegerquilts.com

Instructor: Krista Moser

Class: Design Possibilities of the Diamond Ruler

Cost: \$35

Dates: Saturday, April 29, 2023, 11 am to 5 pm (ET)

Location: Online via Zoom

Website: kristamoser.com



(Nov. 30th workshop with Robin Bogaert on Ruler Work on your domestic machine.)



Stash Busters Preppy Quilt

In December and January, Stash Busters will be making the Preppy Quilt by Andy Knowlton of a Bright Corner. Sherry Friskney will be leading the project on the Stash Busters Days in December and January.

Click the button below for the free pattern.

[Preppy Quilt Pattern](#)

The quilt measures 50 by 60 so no adjustments need to be made for Outreach.



The pattern calls for:

- 5 Fat Quarters (4 will work too)
- 1 yard of sashing
- 1 ½ yard of background fabric
- ½ yard for binding
- 3 1/3 yard for backing

This quilt is really very scrap friendly. You need 120 squares @ 3.5" x 3.5" that you could cut from the fat quarters or cut from your stash. The background fabric could also come from your stash provided you have a lot of scraps of one colour. Even the sashing can come from scraps as the longest piece is 7.5" long and is only 1.5" wide.

Sherry Friskney

RCQG Calendar

[RCQG Calendar of Events](#)

The Guild has lots of online offerings, from Stash Busters, to Special Interest Groups, and workshops.

News from CQA



This meeting we will be joined by Diane Carson. She will explain some of the exciting things the CQA has planned for the coming year.

Remember to enter the RCQG's challenge for "Sun, Sand, and Sea."

SUN, SAND, and SEA

We are looking for members to participate in the CQA Guild Challenge. This year's theme is "SUN, SAND, AND SEA".

Photo submissions by members are due March 1, 2023, to Flo Pringle. Entry forms to come.

Each guild gets one entry into the National Show in Halifax. Our CQA submission will be chosen by the Guild membership. After viewing photos of the quilted entries, members will vote on their favourite. Voting will start mid-March. The winner will be announced at April's meeting. For further information contact Flo Pringle: pringlef [at] brucetelecom.com.

The CQA entry guidelines are available at the following link:

[Entry Guidelines for Sun, Sand, and Sea](#)

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of International Quilting Day
March 18, 2023



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Neighbouring Guilds



QUILT SHOWS:

March 24-25, 2023: **Etobicoke Quilt Fever**, location to be determined

April 15-16, 2023: **A Million Little Stitches**, Newmarket Community Centre, 200 Doug Duncan Drive, Newmarket

April 20-22, 2023: **Piecemakers Quilt Show**, Pyramid Recreation Centre, 317 James St. South, St. Mary's

April 29-30: **Reflections of Georgian Bay**, Tiny Township Community Centre, Tiny Township

GUILD MEETINGS:

YORK HERITAGE QUILTERS' GUILD

WATERLOO COUNTY QUILTERS' GUILD

GRAND QUILT GUILD

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Dianne Black with her colourful Ohio Star quilt made with Shweshwe fabric.

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