

# RCQG March 2023 Newsletter

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## March Newsletter

Royal City Quilters' Guild  
Guelph, Ontario, Canada

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## President's Message

Quilting Friends,

Since the most recent newsletter, the RCQG Executive learned that the Community Outreach Committee reached their goal of delivering the 100th quilt from our members to the Sexual Abuse and Domestic Violence Unit at Guelph General Hospital. This is only possible because of your generosity in donating time, effort, skills, and fabric stashes to the project. Thank you.

I'd also like to thank all who have taken the time to respond the RCQG Member Survey over recent weeks. Because the response rate has been high, the Guild Executive can trust the results of the survey represent the views of guild members. Your responses will guide discussions and decisions at future meetings of the RCQG Executive. Thank you for participating in the survey.

International Quilting Day is Saturday, March 18. RCQG co-hosts this annual event with York Heritage Quilters Guild and Waterloo County Quilters Guild. Like everything else in the Guild, this event is volunteer-powered. Speakers, tech helpers, newsletter advertisers, and members of the planning team all contribute to event's success. Please say "thank you" to them when you see them on the 18th.

Last but not least, Paul Leger will be the guest speaker at our March meeting. You can find out more about him and the workshop he will be teaching for us in other sections of the newsletter or on the Guild website.

Have a wonderful March! I will see you at one of our March events!

Becky Fiedler

## **Fireside Chat for New Members**

Attention new members! The spring Fireside Chat for New Members has been rescheduled to Tuesday, April 26th at 7:00 pm on Zoom. If you couldn't attend last autumn's Fireside Chat, you are welcome to attend this event. Come to meet other quilters, learn about the Guild, and view a new member Show and Share. More information will follow in April.

## **Guild Meeting**

**Next Guild Meeting:  
Tuesday, March 14, 2023  
7:00pm EST on Zoom**

## **March Programme**

### **PROGRAMME FOR 2022-2023**

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

[Read More>>](#)



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## Paul Leger

Paul's trunk show will feature his journey through 30 years of quilting. You'll see changes in his quilting style and designs starting with his first quilt. In sharing his journey, he'll also be sharing many stories. Some will have you say, "awwww," and others ask yourself, "What was he thinking?"

Paul began quilting in May 1990. His mother, a quilter and dressmaker, had encouraged him to buy a sewing machine "for sewing emergencies." One day, he remembered in the "old days" people would use clothing to make bed quilts which he tried. With over 250 quilts to his credit over 31 years, Paul has never looked back.

In retirement, Paul's quilting has taken on another life. He doesn't quilt any more or any less but now is asked to teach, make presentations and to contribute to magazines and blogs.

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## SHOW AND SHARE

### Zoom Meetings

For December, January, February, and March 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.

## **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](mailto: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.

## **Membership Report**

A warm welcome to Chris McArthur, of Cambridge, ON. Chris joined the Guild in February. Currently, the RCQG has 197 members. 70 members attended February's virtual meeting featuring the very talented, Kestrel Michaud. The video recording had 70 views.

An updated version the RCQG Information Handbook and Directory of Members will be published this spring. If you have corrections and updates to your home address, phone number, and preferred email address, please email:

membership [at] royalcityquiltersquild.ca

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.

## **ADVERTISING**

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## Community Outreach





Twelve dedicated and collaborative committee members met for a day of fellowship on February 28th. We worked together to move along many Outreach projects. The energy and laughter was infectious, and each finish was celebrated. Many quilt tops were worked on and some completed. Thirteen quilts were added to the accumulating collection of donation quilts between quilts brought completed and quilts completed during our time together.

Your committee continues to be hard at work behind the scenes as committee members took home projects to finish, quilts to be quilted and/or bound.

Our biggest project this next month is making up Bee Day Kits for the Fall 2023. We hope to hold an in-person event but also have kits available for those who prefer to sew in the comfort of their homes.

If you would care to join this committee and contribute to important work in our community, please contact Jan Snell or Colleen Hunter.

**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.

[COMMUNITY OUTREACH PHOTO GALLERY](#)

[QUILT SIZES FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH](#)



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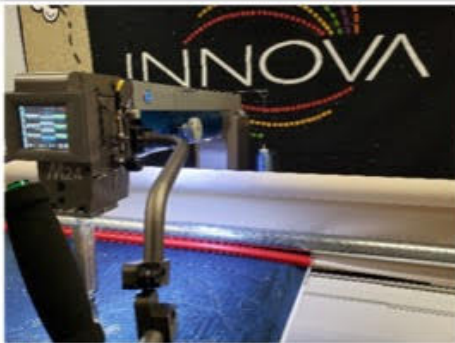
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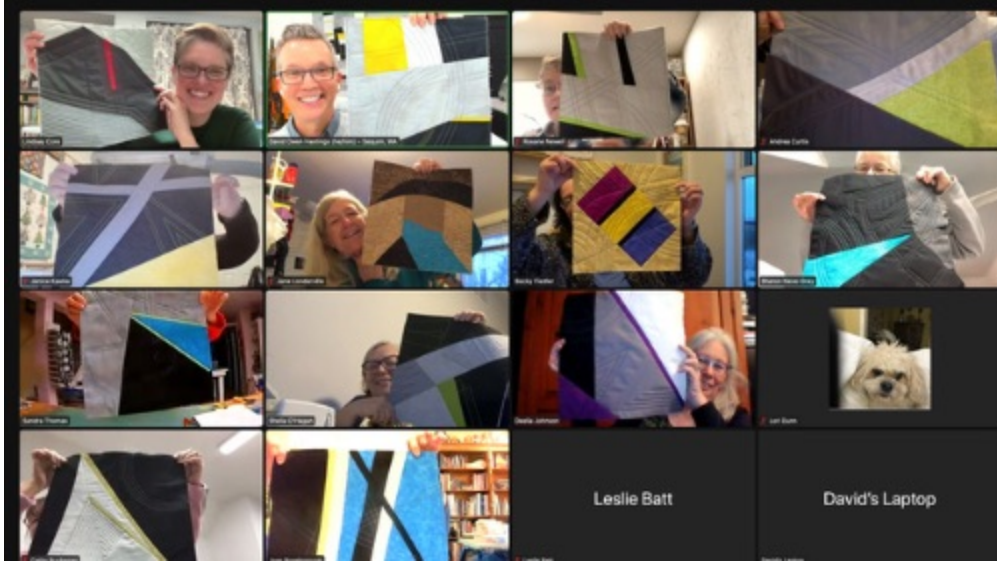


This quilt shop tour consists of visiting four quilt shops. If you get your passport stamped and purchase the required fabric for \$13.99 at all four stores, you receive a free pattern for "Rubick Cube," shown below.



Plan your fun by clicking the link below.

[Hills and Valleys Quilt Shop Tour](https://quiltshoptour.wixsite.com/hillsandvalleys)



## Workshop Report

We have had two successful workshops so far this year. The photo above shows the participants in the David Owen Hastings workshop on February 4th.

Our next workshop with Paul Leger, "Square Peg, Round Hole" is coming on March 25 and April 1st. There are two sessions of 3 hours each, as recommended by Paul, since this is the best way for participants to have success. We have a few more spots available if you are interested. Look for his presentation at our March guild meeting on March 14, 2023.

For our workshop with Krista Moser about "Design Possibilities of the 60 Degree Diamond Ruler" on April 29 there are 2 spots still available. You may remember her presentation at our January meeting. If you were unable to see that meeting, you can look at her information on the internet by clicking on the links that show in the program section of our guild website.

What would you want for a workshop next year? Please send your suggestions to Ann Jeffrey.

## **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: 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](http://paullegerquilts.com)

**Instructor: Krista Moser**

**Class:** Design Possibilities of the Diamond Ruler

**Cost:** \$35

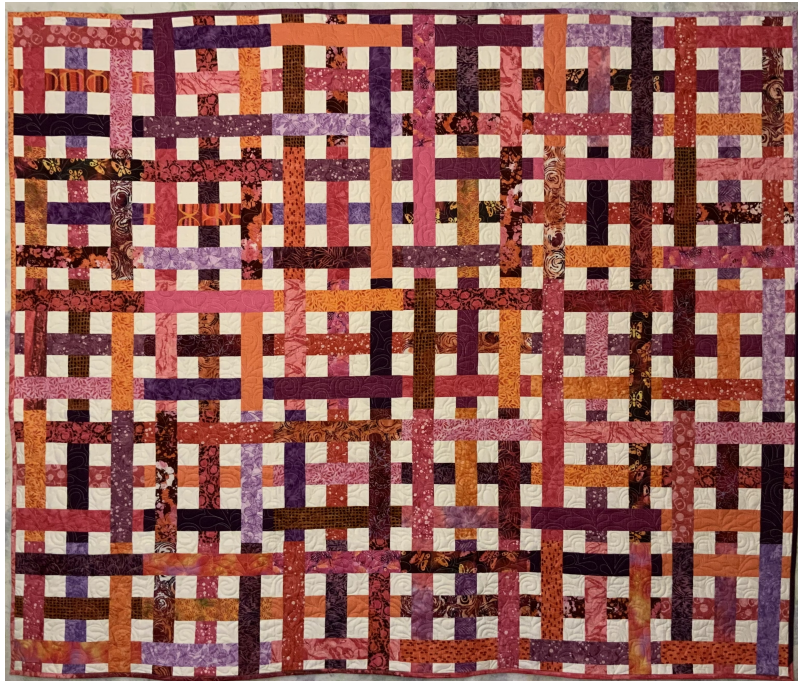
**Dates:** Saturday, April 29, 2023, 11 am to 5 pm (ET)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

**Website:** [kristamoser.com](http://kristamoser.com)



## Stash Busters "Simply Woven"



In April and May in StashBusters, we will be making The Simply Woven Quilt.

### FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

#### **Small Throw** 48" x 60"

1 yard background fabric

2 1/4 yards of assorted 2 1/2" strips

#### **Medium Throw** 60" X 72"

1 1/2 yards background fabric

3 1/2 yards of assorted 2 1/2" strips

#### **Large Throw** 60" x 84"

1 5/8 background fabric

4 yards of assorted 2 1/2" strips

Kits are available. Apply to [janice.snell\[at\]gmail.com](mailto:janice.snell@gmail.com) by March 14th.

[Simply Woven Quilt Original Instructions](#)

[Tips for Making the Simply Woven Quilt](#)

## **RCQG Calendar**

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

Find all the happenings by clicking the green button.

[RCQG Calendar of Events](#)

## **News from CQA**



RCQG member Joan Hug-Valeriotte has a piece in an upcoming show at Homer Watson Gallery March 3-June 25. The latest issue of Canadian Quilter had an article, "Reflections of Ourselves," on the show.

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



## **SUN, SAND, and SEA**

Photo submissions for the CQA Guild Challenge, Sun, Sand and Sea, are due March 1, 2023. On behalf of our Guild, I would like to thank everyone who participated in this challenge. Voting will commence mid-March. You will receive information on the voting process prior to March 15.

The CQA entry guidelines are available at the following link:

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

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## International Quilting Day

[Registration for International Quilting Day 2023](http://yhqg.org/iqd2023)

International Quilting Day is March 18. This virtual event will feature keynote speaker, Helen Godden, from Australia, who is known as an extreme free-motion quilter and award-winning artist. To learn more about Helen, or to see her work, visit her website (see below). We appreciate Handi Quilter for sponsoring Helen for this special event.

Throughout the day, there will be presentations by quilters from each of the three participating guilds (Royal City Quilters' Guild, York Heritage Quilters' Guild and Waterloo County Quilters' Guild) as well as vendor demonstrations and door prizes.

Our guild is honoured to have three members share their presentations:

- Jackie James: Crayoning on Fabric
- Mary Hopkins: Adding Tactile and 3D Interest to Your Landscapes
- Dawn Piasta: Inktense Butterfly: Using Inktense on Fabric

More information about these sessions and those from other guilds, as well as the vendor presentations, is available on the website.

One of the popular activities from last year will be back again this year. A Virtual Quilt Show will be available for the entire day in one of the break-out rooms.

There is no cost for our members to participate in the day. Non-members will be asked to pay \$20.00 to participate when they register. You must be registered to participate and to receive the Zoom link, which will be sent out several days prior to the event. If you have forgotten if you have registered, go to the link shared above and register again.

Please share this information with your quilting and fibre artist friends.

[Helen Godden's Website](#)

## **Neighbouring Guilds**



## **QUILT SHOWS:**

March 24-25, 2023: **Etobicoke Quilt Fever**, Neilson Park Creative Centre, 56 Neilson Dr, Toronto

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

June 2 – 3, 2023 **Pinetree Quilters Guild of Muskoka**, Bracebridge Memorial Arena, Bracebridge

June 2 – 4, 2023 **Quilts Kingston Show and Sale**, Limestone QG / Kingston Heirloom Quilter, Royal Kingston Curling Club, 130 Days Road, Kingston, Ontario

June 10 & 11 **Stitching Among Friends Quilt Show**, Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert St., Alliston

July 8 -- 9, **Quilt Show by the Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild**, Wellington & District Community Centre LeHigh Arena, 111 Belleville Street, Wellington, Ontario

## **GUILD MEETINGS:**

YORK HERITAGE QUILTERS' GUILD

WATERLOO COUNTY QUILTERS' GUILD

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## Show & Share

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

[Show & Share Powerpoint](#)



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