

RCQG September Newsletter

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Royal City Quilters' Guild
September 2019



Tuesday, September 10, 2019
Three Willows Church
577 Willow Road, Guelph

6:30 Membership table opens
7:00 Guild meeting begins

Reminder to bring:

Name tag
\$40 Membership renewal (cash or cheque)
Library books and library card
Workshop fees (cash or cheque)
50/50 Draw
Comfort quilts and BOMs
Scissors, tools, etc. and cash for sharpening



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Welcome to the 2019-2020 Executive

Back Row: Katrina Baklarz, Pat Donovan, Monica Bell, Scott Schau, Michelle Kurtz, Jane Londerville, Denise Couroux, Colleen Hunter, Lindsay Core
Front Row: Marjorie Mansell, Joan Hett, Alyson Anker, Kathy MacKinnon, Susan Thompson

September Program

At our September 10 meeting, we will be welcoming our friend and neighbour Ruth Kennedy of Elora. It will be exciting to see what Ruth has been up to as she shares her “Still Winging It” trunk show. Ruth has the ability to simplify the complicated, and will be back in November for a workshop alled “Painless Paper Piecing.” Check it out! Kathy MacKinnon will have samples for the workshop at the back table during the meeting.

Show and Share: What have you been up to this summer? Please bring along your items so that we may see your summer sewing projects.

Quilt Canada: We had some participants and winners from our guild at Quilt Canada in Ottawa in June. If possible we would like you to bring your entry to share with the guild members who were not able to attend CQA.

Sharp My Knife: Andrew will be in the parking lot after 6:00 to sharpen any knives, scissors, lawn tools or other tools that may need to be sharpened. His rates do vary depending on the size of the tool, so please check out his website Sharpmyknife.com for the current rates. Please note that all sales are to be paid in cash.

Community Outreach

Last year our guild donated 155 comfort quilts to the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care and Treatment Centre. This is a wonderful achievement! Thank you to everyone who contributed to making these quilts. We get so many comments on the beauty of our quilts and how much they are appreciated!

This year we're continuing the Block of the Month program starting in September. There will be kits ready for you to pick up at the Community Outreach table.

Bee Day is being held on Saturday, November 9. This is a fun and productive day sewing comfort quilts. There will be lots of kits for you to choose from. Please sign up at the Community Outreach table. We'd love to see you there!

The Community Outreach team have been busy sewing. We challenged ourselves to make charm square quilts to kick off the 2019/2020 comfort quilt program. We're using the charm squares donated by Marion Usbourne. We're excited to share the comfort quilts we've made at the September meeting.

We're frequently asked about the size of comfort quilts. We'll include the sizes in each newsletter for your reference. Thank you to everyone who supports and contributes to our program. Your effort, creativity, beautiful work and generosity never cease to amaze and inspire us. We're looking forward to another great year.

~The Community Outreach Team

COMFORT QUILT SIZE

Width from 48" to 54"

Length from 54" to 66"

Our batts are pre-cut to 60" x 72"

(Unfortunately we cannot make any exceptions)

[Click here to visit the website for more details.](#)

Block of the Month

Card Trick Block

Fabric Required/Supplied (kits will be available at the Outreach Table)

Patch A = 4 - 3 1/2" squares

Patch B = 4 - 3 1/2" X 6 1/2" rectangles

Patch C = 2 - 5" squares (background fabric), cut each square diagonally once (four corner triangles).

Patch D = 1 - 5 1/2" square (background fabric) Cut diagonally twice (4 small triangles).

Note: Four different fabrics can be used for each of the four parts. We have chosen to use 2 fabrics.

Use the same background fabric for Patches C & D.

Use a scant 1/4" seam allowance.

PLEASE do not trim the block. The approximate finished size is 12 3/4" by 12 3/4".

Bigger is acceptable.

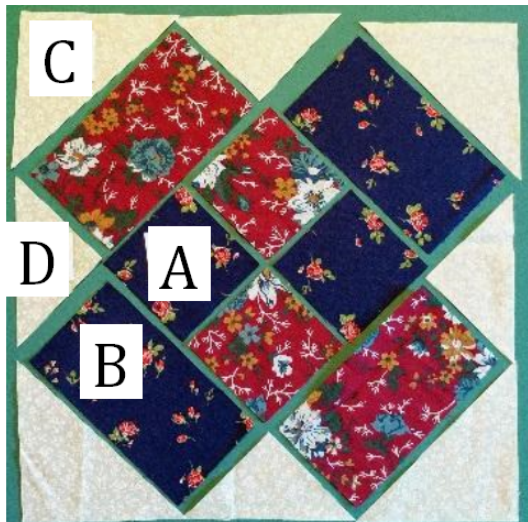


Diagram 1

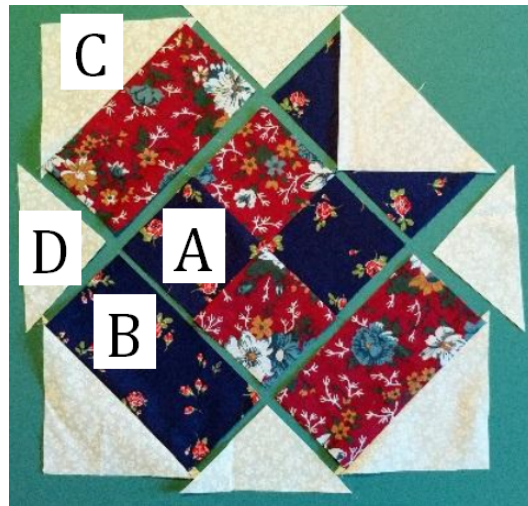


Diagram 2



Diagram 3



Diagram 4

1. Layout the pieces as shown in Diagram 1. Sew together the four Patch A squares, this is the centre block.
2. Sew a background Patch C triangle to each of the Patch B rectangles. Align the triangle centre with the centre of the rectangle to sew. Press seams toward triangle.
3. Sew the 2 blue/background Patch B-C units to opposite sides of the centre Patch A unit. Press seams towards rectangles.
4. Sew a background Patch D triangle to the short sides of the burgundy Patch B-C units. Press seams open.
5. Join the last 2 burgundy Patch B-C units to the centre block. Match the rectangle seams to those of the four-patch in the centre. Press seams open.

Workshop Information

Welcome to a new guild year and a variety of workshops to encourage you to try something new or refine an already learned skill or technique. Come and visit the Workshop team to see samples and sign up for a workshop or two (cash or cheque accepted). If you have any suggestions for future workshops please let us know.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

(Click on the workshop title to see a workshop description. Click on the instructor's name to visit their personal website)

Create a Landscape (workshop is FULL), Mary Hopkins - Sat, Sep 28 / \$50

Painless Paper Piecing, Ruth Kennedy - Sat, Nov 23 / \$40

Pockets to Go, Jackie James - Sat, Jan 25 / \$25

Magical Pinwheels, Sherri Hissy - Wed, March 11 / \$60

Hummingbird in Flight, Kerry Burke - Sat, May 20 / \$50

Membership Renewals

Please renew your guild membership

at the September meeting, if you haven't already. The membership fee remains unchanged at \$40. Please bring exact change or a personal cheque in the amount of \$40 made out to Royal City Quilters' Guild (RCQG). The Membership table will be open to collect renewals before the meeting, at 6:30, or during break. Do you have any quilting friends who would enjoy the fellowship and camaraderie of RCQG? Now is the perfect time for them to join, too.

Congratulations to our early renewal drawing winners in June. Beth Campeau won a free membership and Jean Hilborn won a \$40 workshop prize. Thanks to these two, and the other 63 members who renewed their memberships in June. We also had 10 guests at our June meeting.

Please join me in welcoming our newest member, Heather Arlen, who is a returning member. This year, new members will be wearing yellow pins. When you see a yellow RCQG pin, please make the wearer feel welcome.

Please send an email to membership@royalcityquiltersguild.ca if you have any membership questions. ~Becky Fiedler



Member Spotlight

Title: Naomi's Boat

Artists: Nellie Hanuta, Mary Hopkins, Ann Jeffry, Naomi Klaas, Dawn Labelle, Judy Li, Dana Scott, Ann Smith

Award: CQA Excellence in a Group Quilt

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In September 2018, at a Fibre Arts group meeting, a few pictures of group work that had successfully made it into some of the big name quilt shows were passed around. There was a lot of interest in trying something similar and by the end of our next meeting we had chosen a photo by Jim Klaas, Naomi's husband.

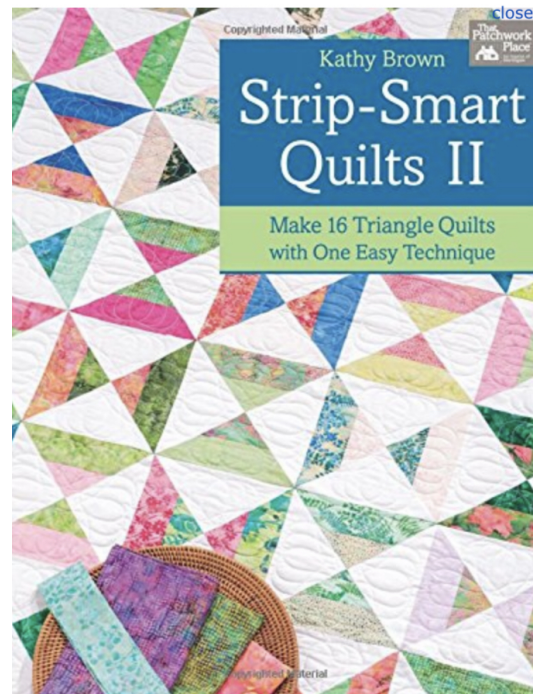
Within two weeks the photo had been enlarged to 4ft by 3ft and eight ladies who were willing to work to a series of deadlines were given a section of the photo and sent home to create.

Of course it wasn't that straight forward. There were registration marks on each section that were very important to make the eight individual creations join seamlessly. There were phone calls and extra meetings as well as technique and fabric consultations. Some didn't know where to start. Some were way outside their comfort zone. Some finished quickly and others took it to the deadline wire. Some helped sew the pieces together, and others finished the edges. It was teamwork all the way.

I had been very confident it would be accepted into the CQA Show but no one was more surprised and delighted than I when we captured a prize (Excellence in Group Quilt). It was hard work. Now that its over, everyone will admit it was also fun. They may not all have enjoyed every step but when we saw our work, Naomi's Boat, hanging in the show with it's ribbon there were no prouder quilters in the room.

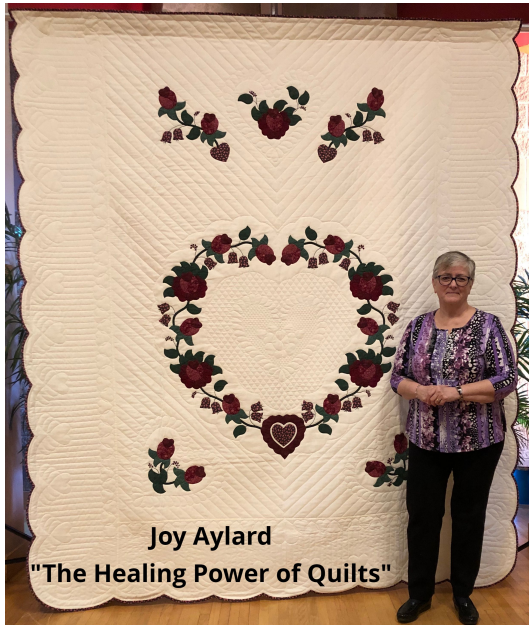
I've said it many times and I'll say it again. Well done, ladies!

~Mary Hopkins



Library Update

This year the library will open at 6:30 and will be open during the break. We will be set up in the usual spot outside the meeting room by the stairs. Don't forget to come out and see the selection of books and sign out one or three. You might be inspired with an idea for your next quilt. Please remember to return the books you signed out in June. Don't forget you can always browse our book selection [online at Library Thing](#) and find books like Kathy Brown's *Strip-Smart Quilts II: Make 16 Triangle Quilts with One Easy Technique*.



June Program Highlights

The June guild meeting was a great success. We were visited by Betty Slack from the Sexual Assault Domestic Violence Care and Treatment Unit at the Guelph General Hospital. Her annual visit to share with us the impact of our Community Outreach program was heartfelt. The June program also included Jo Aylard (pictured) of Sarnia, Ontario who shared her mother's quilts and story of domestic violence in a powerful show entitled "The Healing Power of Quilts".

Financial Statements

Joan Hett will provide a review of the 2018-2019 guild financial statements at the September meeting. Please review the attached document prior to the meeting and bring any questions you may have. (Click the button below). A few printed copies will be available at the meeting.



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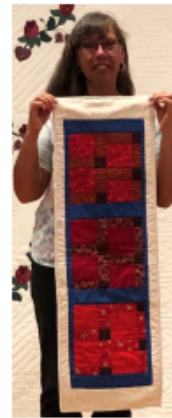
Alyson Anker - "Fruit Slices", Designer Monique Dillard, pieced and ruler work quilting by Alyson



Ann Jeffrey - UFO



Becky Fiedler - "Jacaranda Cove", UFO



Dianne Kirk-Benincasa - Disappearing 9-Patch Table Runner, pieced and machine-quilted by Dianne



Kathy MacKinnon - Baby Quilt, pieced & appliquéd by Kathy; "Fantasy Flower" (hand appliquéd by Kathy and UFO)



Kathy Wagner - Memory Quilt, Designed, pieced and machine quilted by Kathy; Baby Quilt, Designed, pieced and machine quilted by Kathy; "On Ringo Lake", Bonnie Hunter mystery quilt, pieced and machine quilted by Kathy



Marg Spence - "Sam's Quilt", Kit, pieced and machine quilted by Marg



Wendy Oskam - UFO



Nellie Hanuta - "Red, White and Blue and Canadian Too", Pattern - Maple Syrup, Shop Hop blocks in her own arrangement, pieced by Nellie, long-arm quilted by Mary Hopkins



Pat Donovan - "Becky's Quilt", Design/Inspiration from Becky Fiedler, pieced and long-arm quilted by Pat



Andrea Curtis - UFO



Wendy Oskam - "Frozen", Inspiration from a magazine/quilter's planner, pieced and machine quilted by Wendy



Heather Arlen - "Aurora", designed, pieced and machine quilted by Heather; Black & Brights, Designer - Missouri Star, pieced by Heather, Machine quilted by Norah Macquire; Pinks & Blues, pieced by Heather, machine quilted by Norah Macquire



Judy Parker - "Floral Medallion", Stamped cross-stitch from Mary Maxim, Embroidered and hand-quilted by Judy



Lindsay Core - Apama's Elephant Wedding Quilt, Designer - Violet Craft pattern, paper-pieced and machine quilted by Lindsay



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