



Upcoming Activities:

September 8th Virtual Mtg:

- * Speaker: **Johanna Masko**
- * Shop of the month:
Maker Savvy Textile Arts, Kanata

October 13th Virtual meeting & Elections



Proposed plan: Virtual meetings until December. Then January to June meetings in person if possible, if 200 persons allowed at MIFO.

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From the *Outgoing President*

Hello to Everyone:

It's so good to be back this fall. Excited to talk about quilting again, listen to speakers, take in a workshop or two and see everyone in the zoom room! Welcome back! The interim and new Executive team have been working hard over the summer to get as much in place for our new membership year as possible. Please read this newsletter to find out what is being planned.

The elections will be officially held in October via zoom. Please note that there are several positions still open. Notably the Vice President and Librarian. I hope someone will step up and fill these positions. Other team Members are always there to help you when questions arise.

I have really enjoyed being your President for the past year. It was fun and a learning experience. The reins are being passed to Gwenne. I hope that she enjoys the upcoming year as much as I have the past year.

Vicki Ross

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We hope
you can join
us on...



..for our Fall
2020 virtual
meetings

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please let us know at:*

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Executive and Committee Members 2019/2020

Positions for which we are still seeking a nominee for next year's executive are marked with a ***

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Vice-President:*** Gwenne Beck-Pottier

Secretary: Dorothy DeRose

Treasurer: Barb Till

Past-President: Laurelle Callaghan

Programme: Laura Malo & Marliese Kuhn

Retreats: Paula Patterson & Wendy White

Workshops: Carol Nicholson & Sandra Baynes

Sew Days: Cathy Sheldrick & Shirley Geiger

Membership: Pauline McNally & Laura Evans

Quilt Show Coordinator:*** Cathy Gaudet

Challenge: Laura Malo

Community Projects: Carole Maisonneuve & Lynn Strban

Library:*** Paulette Beauchamp

Shop of the Month:*** Denise Stewart & Jean Hogan

Fat Quarters Club: Del Jazey & Susan Baker

Website: Carole LaForge

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Click on position (which is a link) to send an email to the person in this position

PROGRAMME

Laura Malo & Marliese Kuhn

September 8th Virtual Guild meeting

Favourite Fives & Top Tens

Join veteran quilting instructor and designer Johanna Masko for her first ever pandemic-era remote guild presentation! Johanna will share a lively run-down of some of her favourite quilty things: tips, tools, hacks, books and more. She would love to answer your questions afterwards, so feel free to get them ready to roll!



Johanna Masko bio...



Johanna Masko is a Toronto-based quilt designer and instructor. Last year, Johanna taught nearly 300 classes to parks and recreation groups, guilds, and to her many students at The Workroom in

Toronto's west end. She is known for her emphasis on efficient construction techniques and for her enthusiastic support of her students' creative growth and confidence through craft.



MEMBERSHIP Desk

Pauline McNally & Laura Evans

Our executive team is coming up with ideas and programs to ensure we will have an exciting year even though it will be different.

Please support the guild. You will find the membership application or registration form on our website ([here](http://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/membership-registration/)). Just complete and attach a cheque. If you have difficulty downloading the form ..no worries...just attach your cheque to a note with your complete address and make sure you give us your latest email address and of course...please print.

No cheque, not a problem, just complete the form on-line and indicate you want to e-transfer. You will receive instructions by email on how to proceed. (The on-line membership form can be found at <http://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/membership-registration/> or click [here](http://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/membership-registration/)).

You will receive your membership card in the mail. You will be requested to show your membership card at our virtual meetings.....there may even be a surprise for attending.

Laura and Pauline

Our mailing address is
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FAT QUARTER CLUB

Del Jazey & Susan Baker

On behalf of Fat Quarters we want to thank you for your support.

Fat Quarters would like to invite the monthly winners from May 2019 to March 2020 who completed a quilt with their fat quarters to send a picture to the guild fat quarter email address by September 30th. A winner will be determined in a random draw and announced at the October meeting.

Until we can meet again!

Susan and Del



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The Common Thread Quilt Guild Presents the 2019/2020 Guild Challenge Quilt

A QUILTY "ROAD TRIP" ADVENTURE

Original Design by Laura Malo



SEPTEMBER 2020

It seems like so long ago that we started this road trip but like so many awesome trips, the detours are what makes them the best. I am anxious to see all the quilts that were made by our members and what journey they have taken.

In our virtual world, this will be the procedure for the "parade of quilts" at the September 8th meeting:

1. Take a photo of your "COMPLETED" quilt - just the front please. Only finished quilts (quilted and bound) will be eligible.
2. Send your photo along with your name and email address to "ctqg.challenge@gmail.com"
3. I will acknowledge your entry by return email with an assigned number.
4. At our virtual meeting on September 8th, I will randomly draw 3 numbers and announce the winners. The winners of the draw will each receive \$100.00.
5. The deadline for entries is September 7th.

You can see the entries so far on our website and our Facebook page.

Thanks to all the members who participated.

My Low Road



Your Road



My High Road





COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Carole Maisonneuve & Lynn Strban

Hello Everyone!

Things are finally moving forward for many in our communities. We are happy to announce that most of our “client organizations” are now able / willing to receive our quilts donations! This is good news as it means that we will be able to start collecting quilts (and cuddle quilts) for future distribution. And we know that many of you have been very busy making quilts!!!

Please note that should you have questions after reading this update, feel free to send your enquiries to ctqg.communityprojects@gmail.com.

Challenge Quilts – Cuddle Quilts and other Completed Quilts – for Drop Off:

To permit us to finalize the Community Projects “2019/2020 Challenge”, and draw prizes, we need to finish collecting your completed challenge kits. To accomplish this, Lynn and I will be prepared to receive your completed quilts in September. When dropping off quilts we would request that they be put in a clear bag, if possible. We will also be accepting any other “completed” quilts and / or cuddle quilts.

The drop off location: 1988 Orchardview Avenue, Orleans

The drop off dates and time are:

10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

September 10th, and September 11th.

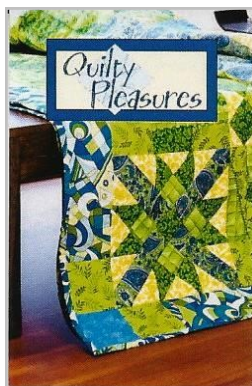
NOTE: For those dropping off challenge quilts, try to have the “registration number” that was on the kit bag that it originally came in. Do not worry if you no longer have it.

Winners will be drawn at the end of September and announced at that October Virtual Guild meeting. You will also be advised by email and then a cheque will be sent to your home by the Treasurer.

Taking out new Kits and / or Backing / Batting for Cuddle Quilts:

You will also be able to “sign out” new kits on these dates for either quilt tops, or complete kits (top and quilting). Batting and backings for cuddle quilts will be available.

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GUILD IN-TOWN RETREATS

Paula Patterson & Wendy White

With the new Ontario guidelines allowing up to 50 people to congregate in indoor spaces, it looks like we may be able to run our October retreat(s). Although, this all depends on what happens in the fall.

We are now accepting registration for the October retreats.

All this is subject to change based on government guidelines, as well as:

- * number of people per retreat
- * provision of meals
- * price of retreat

Payment information will be available closer to the time of the retreat.

October 16-18, 2020 or October 23-25, 2020 (choose only one) – registration opened August 1, 2020.

Note: October 23-25 retreat full, taking names for the waiting list.

January 22-24, 2021 or January 29-31, 2021 (choose only one) – registration opens November 1, 2020.

April 22-25, 2021 or April 30-May 2, 2021 (choose only one) – registration opens February 1, 2021.

How to Register:

1) By email: ctgg.retreats@gmail.com

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Location: To be announced



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WORKSHOPS

Carol Nicholson & Sandra Baynes

Hi Quilters!

Welcome back. Are you ready to learn some new techniques or try a new pattern?

We are organizing both in-person (Public Health permitting) and virtual workshops for you this year. This will be a year of flexibility – especially if the City has to close their buildings again.

It's a little premature to tell you what we are putting together. But, as soon as we have some dates and locations firmed up, we will post it in the newsletter, on our website and on our Facebook page.

We plan to offer both project and process classes. Is there something you'd like us to consider?

We are also writing up a sheet on COVID-19 practices and policies, so you will know in advance what we plan to do. As soon as it's ready, we will share it on the website. It will talk about distancing, mask wearing, sharing of common equipment etc.

We'd like to send a big thank you to Carol Nicholson for all the work she put into workshops over the last few years.

Looking forward to you joining us.

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LIBRARY UPDATE

Paulette Beauchamp

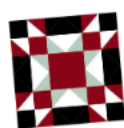
The library is closed at this time. When we can gain access to MIFO, we hope to offer a morning or afternoon, once a month, when members can safely access our library collection.



But, we first need to find a volunteer to take over the role Guild Librarian. Our library will remain closed until a Volunteer can be found.

We thank Paulette Beauchamp and her team of volunteers for arranging the afternoon book return in August and for doing the book inventory and for their many years of service.

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Message from your *Soon-to-be* President

Ever wonder why you quilt? My mother was a quilter and when we were younger, my sisters and I loved to receive quilts and various gifts from our mother but none of us (there are six girls), were very interested in her enthusiastic descriptions of the latest techniques. We watched as her stash of fabric grew and were amazed how somebody could make and quilt 11 queen-sized log cabin school house block quilts in one year on her little Janome to give to her eleven children for Christmas. Still, none of us took the time to learn. She had taught us so many things like crochet, knitting, needle work and basic sewing, but sadly not quilting. When my mother unexpectedly passed away, there was all her quilting stuff to deal with. We donated some of it, a few of us took some items and fabric and that is where our journeys began. It snuck up on us, the satisfaction of cutting up fabric and putting it back together. It made us feel closer to our mother and soon three of us were hooked. One sister refuses to sew but she began painting quilt barns so she speaks the same language. One of my brothers makes quilt racks and another stained glass blocks. With grown children and more free time on our hands, we now gather together to shop hop, attend quilt shows, to learn from each other and share what we are working on. We often wonder how much mother would be laughing at us as we convince each other to buy expensive toys like long arms and more fabric to build our stashes. It appears that quilting was always inside of us and using our new found skills for charity, like our mother had, gave us immense pleasure. Who would have known? Perhaps Mom quilted to quiet her brain after raising 11 children.

I hope that quilting has given you joy and peace in your life. It's where I find my happy place. My brain relaxes and I feel closer to my mother. Quilting is a gift that I love to share with others. My mom never sold a thing in her life and we honour her by giving. I began quilting with Victoria's Quilts Canada and it is still close to my heart. Being part of this Guild has also grown my love of quilting. We speak the same language and we are generous souls.

This year it's my pleasure to serve on the Executive as your President and even though the journey will look different then in the past, I hope that soon we will be able to safely gather in person and share our love of this craft. So for now, let's Zoom together, perhaps attend a few small group events and hopefully find our happy place.

Gwenne Pottier

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/526558034114649/>

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Due to Covid 19 no private Quilting Classes are available.
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To enter a draw for a bag of sewing clips, please complete each of the following questions with answers that you will find in this newsletter, then email your answers to Sonia and Catherine, the CTQG Newsletter Editors at ctqg.newsletter.editor@gmail.com



1. Which position does Laura Evans hold on the CTQG executive?
And what page can this info be found?
2. Memberships can now be paid by e-transfer— True or False? And what page can this info be found?
3. When you register for an In-town Retreat by email, how do you know if your registration is confirmed? And what page can this info be found?



Email your answers to ctqg.newsletter.editor@gmail.com before the start of the September virtual meeting on Tuesday, September 8th. If your answers are correct, *and* you are a current member, then your name will be entered in a draw for a bag of clips. The winner will be contacted by Sonia or Catherine to confirm and arrange delivery of your prize.