

**Next Meeting:**

Mar. 14 In Person Meeting
At MIFO, 6600 Carriere St., Orleans

*** 7:30 pm—9:00**

*** Speaker:**

Cathy Hamilton

*** Shop of the Month:**

Quilty Pleasures

Fat Quarter Club:

I Spy Fabrics

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 show off your accomplishment.**

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President's Message

We'll be back In Person in March. Hmm. In person. I feel that gap of us in getting together, and for some it has been since 2020. Sure, we enjoyed in person meetings all fall with inspiring speakers. I certainly enjoyed browsing and borrowing from the Library. I dropped off items for the Share table, and took home a pattern or *two*. I participated in the Fat Quarter draw (and am making a quilting using the fat quarters that I won). I dropped off a couple of wheelchair quilts for Community Projects. There are enriching benefits from being 'In Person'.

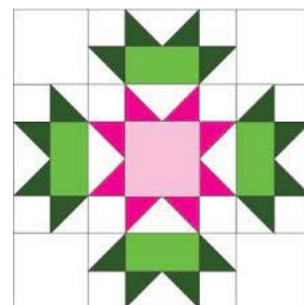
For me one of the real benefits of braving the elements to drive to an evening meeting is seeing others. Whether or not you are wearing a mask, we are gathering and getting to know each other. It is fun to catch up on each other's news.

Over the past few years we have welcomed quite a few new members. This makes us active and vital. We are always grateful that new quilters want to join our Guild. Some have moved here recently and are looking for others who share their love of quilting. Others are new to quilting. But the problem is that we don't know these people. They don't know us.

We need to be aware that we all come to be part of our Guild community. We might sign up for a Retreat or attend a Sew Day to get to know others, share what we are working on or attend a Workshop to learn something new. We attend the monthly meeting to experience the full Guild experience. Let's make sure that everyone feels welcomed. Please speak to someone standing alone. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know sitting near you. Wear your Name Tag! I know I am terrible with names. I'll remember a face but not your name. A Name Tag overcomes some of that awkwardness.

I look forward to greeting you by name (because you are wearing your name tag) at our March meeting. And if you are new, please introduce yourself to me. I'll be wearing my name tag.

Laura Evans





PROGAMME

Cathy Hamilton

Cathy Hamilton is an award winning quilter, born and raised south of Ottawa. She learned to sew at 4-H when she was 12 and has been sewing ever since. Her first quilt was made in her early teens. She "retired" in 2010 to work for her soul instead of her pocket book, when she started working at Yarn Forward & Sew-On on Bank Street until they closed in 2018. This prompted their Manager, Jo-Ann Raven to open Sew-Jo's in Manor Park where Cathy has been the manager ever since. She also teaches embroidery software, quilting and sewing classes for them as well as creating patterns. Spare time? She doesn't know what that is!

Cathy will be presenting a trunk show of some of the many quilts she has created, starting with the one she made as a teenager.

Susan & Rhonda



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MEMBERSHIP

Susanne Martin

Updates from the Membership Desk:

It's been an active year with 40% of the membership now paying via e-transfer and almost 90 members coming out for the on-site Guild nights at MIFO. Many more enjoying retreats and workshops.

A note regarding July's membership renewal:

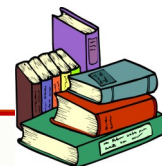
After plenty of thought the Guild has decided to raise our Guild fees to \$40 for 2023 onwards. This will help ensure our ability to offer the vast array of programs and services that members have grown to rely upon. Guest fees will remain the same.

Happy quilting and hope to see you at the next on-site meeting.



CHALLENGE

Diane Grover



"A Sign of the Times" Quilt Challenge

Time is "Marching" on in our *Sign of the Times* Challenge. That means you have only one month left until our annual quilt challenge wraps up. But if you're like me, deadlines are when I work the best (yes, I was frantically finishing binding just days before our last quilt show). That means you still have time to plan, piece and finish your entry for this year's challenge. You will need to incorporate both your birth month astrological sign and your birth year Chinese zodiac sign into a quilted wall-hanging with a maximum circumference of 96" or a quilted functional item of any size. A chart providing details such as colours, flowers and traits that are associated with these signs is available on our guild website to inspire you. Entries should be brought to the April meeting where they will be displayed for the evening. Four cash prizes totalling \$300 will be awarded to lucky participants in a random draw. Time's almost up to enter, so get sewing and have some fun.

Diane Grover

Want to join a daytime quilting group?

The MONDAY COUNTRY QUILTERS and the Tuesday 'QUILTING DYNAMOS' have a few vacancies. They meet at the PAT CLARK MEMORIAL CENTRE on HALMONT DR. on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10 am to 2 pm. (east end of Ottawa, off Ogilvie Rd near Carson Grove.)

The cost to join is a \$35 annual membership fee to the 55+ seniors centre which gives you access to all programs they offer, plus a \$1 drop in fee each time you attend. You can actually attend both Mondays and Tuesday if you so wish.

You have nothing to do but come and quilt. The room is set up for the quilters. Rulers, irons, cutting mats are all available. It is a good place to learn, exchange ideas and just socialize with other quilters.

There is a cafeteria on site where you can purchase coffee, tea, soup and sandwiches.

There is also a quilting group that meets on Thursdays in Blackburn Hamlet. We can connect you if you are interested.

NEED MORE INFO....Pauline McNally at paulinemcnally321@gmail.com



WORKSHOPS

Sandra Baynes & Gisele Pilon-Brant

Our Barn Quilt Workshop last February 25th was a great success. All the ladies had a great time. A big thank you to Karyne Besso for offering this fun with paint quilting day. Look at some of the fabulous creations !

Our next workshop is Square Peg - Round Hole with Paul Leger, coming up fast on March 18th. Although the Sign-up deadline is March 1st, we will extend registration for an extra week. Check it out on our website and send an email to ctgg.workshops@gmail.com if you would like to join us. But you must be quick :)

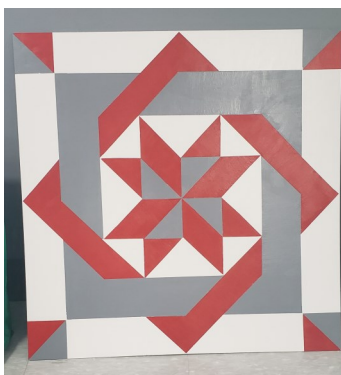
Next in line is Learning the Art of Sashiko on April 1st (no it's not an April Fool lol), where you can learn all about traditional Japanese embroidery techniques with a simple running stitch. The workshop is \$35 and you must purchase a Kit for \$20, which will include 1 needle, a small skein of thread, fabric and thimble.

Coming up on May 6 is Quilting with Rulers - come check out all the versatile designs that can be used in blocks or backgrounds using only a straight ruler !

We will also be offering a Crumb Quilt Workshop at the end of May - look for more information on our Website in the next few weeks.

Sandra and Gisele

Your Workshop Team





LIBRARY

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There are books and magazines to read, DVD's to inspire and Quilt Rulers to try out. The choice is extensive from traditional to modern, artsy to scrappy and more quilt patterns than all of us combined could ever sew in a life time.

You can check out up to 4 books and 4 magazines. Overdue fees are \$1 per month.

Library items can be place on hold by visiting the CTQG website. The Library is under Resources and the Full Library Catalogue is at the bottom of the page. Use the hold form found on the page to reserve the book(s) you want.

Check out the recent additions to the CTQG Library:

Modern Quilts Block by Block by Emily Dennis

Animal Parade; Adorable Applique Quilt patterns for Babies by Cheri Leffler

Batik Quilts; Best of Fons & Porter

Season Premier Fat Quarter quilts; Season 2, by Kari Nicols

We Love Color, 16 Iconic quilt Designers create with Kona Solids, by Susanne Woods

Quiltfolk – Illinois Issue 18, by Mary Fons

Quiltfolk – Northern Florida issue 19, by Mary Fons

Quiltfolk – Maryland Issue 21, by Mary Fons

Making History; Quilts & Fabric from 1890-1970, by Barbara Brackman

Come a visit your CTQG Library Team and get Quilt Inspired!

Janice and Judy, CTQG Librarians



RETREATS

Paula Patterson and Wendy White

We are looking for volunteer(s) to take over the organizing and running of the guild retreats.

Email ctgg.retreats@gmail.com; if you are interested or to find out more information.

Want to join us for a weekend of QUILTING, QUILTING, EATING, SOCIALIZING and QUILTING ?

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Come join us for one of our In-Town Retreats. Set up Friday morning at 10 am, sew, eat lunch, sew and socialize, eat a yummy dinner, sew, go home to your own bed to dream sweet dreams, return Saturday and do it all again, and again on Sunday, clean up starts Sunday at 4 pm.

FINAL RETREATS for the 2022-2023 quilting year.

April 21-23, 2023 – many spots still available **April 28-30, 2023** – FULL (your name can be put on a cancellation list)

How to Register:

Email: ctgg.retreats@gmail.com. You will receive a confirmation email response from RETREATS.

Cost: \$80 for members; \$95 non-members;

Payment methods: e-transfer (ctgg.treasurer@gmail.com), cash or cheque at retreat.

Location: Notre-Dame des- Champs Community Centre, 3659 Navan Road, Navan, K4B 1H9.

Hours: Friday 10:00 am—9:00 pm; Saturday 9:00 am—9:00 pm; and Sunday 9:00 am—4:00 pm.

We ask for some volunteers to help with cooking and baking, ingredients will be reimbursed (with receipts) and a small honorarium will be paid for your time.

All participants are asked to help with set-up and take down as well as to help with one meal serving or clean-up. A list will be available at the retreat for signing up for meal clean-up.

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COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Carole Maisonneuve & Lynn Strban



Hello Everyone!

Though winter is not over yet over, we are eagerly waiting to meet again at the March 2023 guild meeting. We are prepared with new kits (tops) and "quilts requiring quilting". There are all sizes (S-M-L).

Lynn and I would like to send a huge "THANK YOU" to all of you making tops and/ or quilting them. You are so very much appreciated!

We would also like to remind anyone that have taken out quilt kits that should you longer be able to make it for whatever reason, do not stress as we are happy to take them back and return it to our inventory.

As a reminder to all, the following are the preferred quilt sizes:

- Cuddle quilts – 22" square
- Children/adult (age 5 to young teenage) – anywhere from 40"x40" up to 60"x72" (older teens can be tall)
- Adult - Twin sizes "60" x 75" would be appreciated as many of our organizations have single beds.
- Wheelchair quilts – 36"x36 up to 40"x40"
- Comfort Quilts – 45" x 60" – Flannel both front and back with batting.

Warmest Regards,

Lynn and Carole





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**** CALLING ALL YOUTH QUILTERS (<18Y)**

When you go to your Quilt Studio (yes, we must think of our corner of the house as such), do you have any interested little ones, or curious helpers in your quilt process? Perhaps you have or know a young quilter in the making? Now is the time to nurture that interest and share your passion with the next generation. Think how proud they will be to have their creation hanging at the upcoming 2024 CTQG Quilt Show.

There are two categories for Youth to show their quilting skills: a) youth under 13 years and b) youth between 14 and under 18 years. Age is determined by the entrant's age as of March 31, 2024. They can use any technique, but size is limited to less than 350" perimeter. Youth must be registered as a member (no membership fee required), and they must have a close connection with an adult CTQG member. (Maximum of 1 Entry)

BLACK AND WHITE PLUS ONE!

Do you have a stash of black and white fabrics begging to be used? Have you always wanted to play with the drama that black and white create? Whether it is fabric, art, clothing or quilts; black and white combinations always catch the eye. So take that precious stash, or go buy one (you have my permission) and add one other colour or one fabric to create a fabulous quilt for the 2024 Quilt Show Challenge.

We are having a special challenge category for what is sure to be a captivating group of quilts; Black and White Plus One. It must be a quilt with a perimeter of 349" or less, made with black and white fabric (remember that black and white make grey), plus one other colour OR one other fabric .
(Maximum of 1 Entry)

Go dive into Pinterest, hit the books for inspiration, and drag out the black and white fabric, play with the plus one color. Peruse the local Quilt shops and browse on-line for ideas. Let the fabric ideas flow and see what you can create.

Have fun!

Janice Namiesniowski, 2024 Quilt Show Coordinator



QUILT SHOWS



Navan Fair Homecraft - Quilting Entries

The Navan Fair has a list of quilted items that you can enter for competition during the fair in August.

There are monetary prizes as well as highest points prizes. It would be great to see some of the guild members work displayed. Items include full or appliqued twin or full size quilt, lap or baby quilt, rag quilt, tote bag, wall hanging etc. The website at Navan Fair.com is not completely updated yet for 2023.

Please contact Christine Lanthier 613-835-3397 or clanthier22@gmail.com for information and a complete list for entries.

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It would be greatly appreciated if you could help us promote our event by sharing this information with your members.

We have attached a small business card sized announcement, should you have space in your newsletter. Keep in mind that we are happy to do the same, should your guild have any important announcements to share.

More information on our Quilt Show & Sale can be found by following the links below.

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SEW DAYS

Cathy Sheldrick and Shirley MacFadden

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THE NEXT VIRTUAL SEW DAY will be on Saturday, **Mar. 11, 2023!**

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It will be available at the next **In-Person Sew Day**. Plan ahead to do some mega-cutting.

Just walk in and ask. Be prepared to show your guild membership card. If you have never used the system before, ask for guidance.

The updated list of available dies is available on the website, under Resources. The link is:

<http://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/accuquilt-fabric-cutter/> You will also see some tips on using the dies. And it is kept on site. More ideas, tips and patterns are available at: www.accuquilt.com

SEW AND SHARE

We work hard on our quilts so lets show them off. Take pride in your accomplishments. Inspire others.

Bring a quilt or two to show to members as the final part of our meeting. Be prepared to say a few words about the quilt as it is being shown off. We've had everything from king-sized quilts to placemats and baby

Kirstin



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CQA GUILD CHALLENGE

Sun, Sea and Sand

Would you like to challenge yourself to make something with limited variables? This is for you!

Yellow, blue and sand (beige/taupe). Maximum perimeter of 72" (eg up to 18" square or 20"x16" etc)

Design and Pattern is up to you.

Quilters across the country are sketching out ideas. Guilds nation-wide are participating. See full guidelines on a link on our website or on the Canadian Quilt Association (CQA) website.

https://canadianquilter.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/CQAACC_Guild_Challenge_2023_en.pdf

You must bring the finished Sun, Sea, Sand quilt to our April meeting. Our members will get to vote which quilt will be sent to the CQA National Quilt Show being held in Halifax in June.

Rachel won the national vote for the Guild challenge a few years ago. Having 'beach' thoughts over the next few months sounds good. Let's see what you can make.




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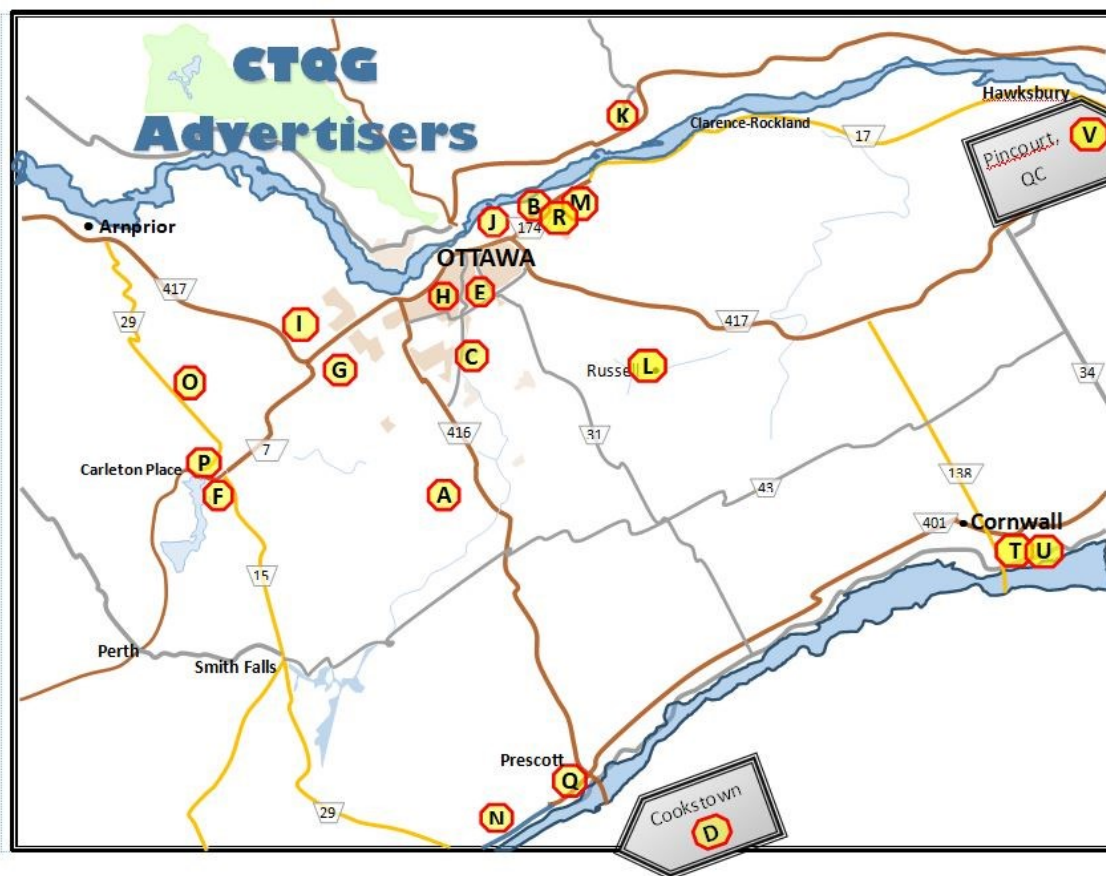
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