September 2023





Next Meeting:

September 12 In-Person Meeting

At MIFO, 6600 Carriere St., Orleans

* Doors/Library open: 6:30 pm

* Meeting: 7:30 pm-9:00

* Speaker:

Marilyn Farquhar-Trunk Show

* Shop of the Month:

Young Vintage Fabrics

* Fat Quarter Club:

School Days



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PROGAMME Marilyn Farquhar—Trunk Show

Quilts See Us Through

Marilyn Farquhar is a contemporary quilter. She loves fabric in bold colours and uses both traditional techniques and technology to give her freedom to create original pieces. In January 2020, Marilyn's brother was shot and killed by the RCMP during a mental health crisis (her brother was an advocate for the homeless in British Columbia). She has created a series of quilts entitled Kairos—An Opportune Time For Action--which have helped her to heal during the grieving process. These quilts bring a message that address mental health, grief, changes in policing and hope.





President's Message

Diane Grover

It's Quilt Guild Season!

The last few years I have not had any air conditioning. My old a/c unit just gave up and, knowing that it would have to be replaced, I decided to forego the cost and deal with the summer heat. How hot can it get, I thought. Well, heat wave after record-setting heat wave convinced me that that had been a foolhardy decision. Because it was not just my comfort that was impacted, it was my quilting. When the house is sweltering, sitting at my machine, doing piecework or even just cutting fabric is just not fun. So this summer, armed with a new air conditioner, I was determined to tackle some UFOs, finish binding several tops and maybe even do some hand appliqué.

Yet here I sit at the end of August, not having even once ventured into my sewing room. It seems that it was not the cooler temps that were the issue, but rather, the outdoors beckons during the summer. For me, quilting is synonymous with crisp autumn days, riding out a snowstorm and waiting for the garden to waken. Those are my cocooning days when quilting is the foundation of my schedule.

Do you have a quilting season? Do you enjoy quilting at the cottage, by the lake or or on vacation? Maybe you do an annual retreat with friends or family. Or maybe you end up wiping the dust off your machine once the air turns crisp. Whatever your quilting season, we are now embarking on a new guild season, filled with an exciting schedule of speakers, shops and activities.

I am excited to be your new guild president and honoured by your support. So let's kick off this new season with a spring in our step and get quilting!

Diane Grover President





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Common Thread Quilt Guild (Ottawa)

can be accessed at

https://www.facebook.com/





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Challenge: Diane Grover

Community Projects: Lynn Bradley & Maria

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ANNUAL GUILD CHALLENGE Diane Grover

Over the years, we've had all sorts of guild guilt challenges, inspired by nursery rhymes, national flags and even product packaging. The creativity and workmanship displayed by our guild members has always been inspiring, even in spite of limited challenge colour palettes, design options or themes.

This year's challenge is going to be a little different and will allow you to indulge your own personal aesthetic and design choices. There won't even be any size limits. But there has to be a twist, otherwise it wouldn't be a challenge! What are we going to do this year?

You'll have to book it down to our September meeting to find out or read all about it in the October newsletter.

Diane Grover



MEMBERSHIP Susanne Martin

Welcome back to the 2023 – 2024 CTQG term. I hope everyone had a fabulous summer.

Currently half of the membership took the opportunity to renew online and pay by e-transfer receiving

their new membership card in the mail. This also lined them up to receive the Newsletter by email as

only members with a paid 2023-2024 membership will get the link to the monthly newsletters.

Not to worry: you can still renew online <u>here</u>. We will be holding a membership drive at our first meeting on September 12th.

Bring along the printed Registration <u>Form</u> and pay cash, cheque, or e-transfer at the door.







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WORKSHOPS Sandra Baynes & Gisele Pilon-Brant

Wow The summer has gone by so fast. It is that time again to get back into fall and a new season of guild activities.

Our first workshop is presented by Edith Choiniere, an award-winning quilter and pattern designer. She had 3 quilted in the juried show at Quilt Canada in June, one of which won for Excellence in Machine Quilting.

Workshop: Free Motion Quilting for Beginners When: 9:30 to 3:00 on October 18th, 2023 Where: Notre Dames des Champs, Navan

Cost: \$50.00 for members / \$55.00 for non-members

Registration: At the September 12th and October 10th meetings



About Edith Choiniere- Quilter since 1984, oil painting since 1989 and Native craft (raw hide drums, shields,



moccasins, mitts, beadwork with or without loom, dream catchers, etc.) since 1993, it's the journey that was given to me to walk. Being in the military, we were posted to Manitoba and that's where I met an amazing Native woman, whom during a three-year period taught me about Native Art and the Spirituality of her ancestors. The mix of three different types of crafts or arts, using fabrics, paint, leather, and beadwork lead me to develop my own unique style that manifests itself in my designs. Always looking for new emerging trends, I love doodles and Zen styles. When I'm looking for a new design for a pattern, I let my intuition and the vibrant fabric colors guide me. I am very inspired by Mandalas and everything that is very different from what we normally have on the market. That is why I chose the name "COLLECTION INÉDITH" which is a play on words with the word "INÉDITE" which, figuratively speaking, means UNIQUE.







LIBRARY

Janice Namiesnioswki & Judy Loree



From Your CTQG Library...

With the end of 2023 summer (boohoo), September brings with it renewed motivation to start, finish or just work on a Quilt project(s). For further motivation, come see the Quilt resources in your CTQG Library. **We have over 500 Quilt related books, magazines, novels and rulers too.** CTQG members can check out up to 4 items, due the following month.

Come early on Guild night, Tuesday September 12, the library will be open from 6:30-7:20pm.

If you have books for return but missed the library hour, and are attending Guild, we will have a box up front near the stage for book drop off.

You can find the full library catalogue online at the CTQG website Common Thread Quilt Guild, under Resources. From there you can reserve a book using the form on the library page.

Any questions or suggestions come and see us or drop us a line at ctgg.library@gmail.com

Come get Inspired!
Janice and Judy







Getaway Retreat Weekend



Dev Hotel and Conference Centre, Cornwall, ON (Formerly The Nav Centre)

October 20-22, 2023 More information email-

fran.oneill101@gmail.com



QUILT GUILD IN TOWN RETREATS

Retreat Coordinator: Anne Lacasse

Great times ahead. Welcome back Quilters!

Hope you had a wonderful summer and that you have multiple projects ready

and that you are prepared and looking forward to sew at retreats.

UPCOMING RETREATS 2023-2024

- October 20-22 2023—MAY HAVE TO BE CANCELLED
- October 27-29 2023—spots are filling up fast, reserve yours soon
- January 19-21 2024 or January 26-28 2024 (choose one only) Registration opens November 1, 2023
- April 19-21 2024 or April 26-28 2024 (choose one only) Registration opens February 1, 2024



Location:

Notre-Dame-des-Champs Community Centre, 3659 Navan Road, Navan

Hours:

Friday 10am-9pm, Saturday 9am-9pm, Sunday 9am-4pm

Cost including meals: \$80 for Guild members or \$95 for non-members

Two ways to register:

- 1 By email: ctqg.retreats@gmail.com. You will receive a confirmation email response from RETREATS
- 2 At Guild meetings: Sign up at the Retreats table at the back of the room

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SUCCEED

- At every retreat, we ask for some participants to help with cooking & baking. All ingredients will be reimbursed with a \$15 honorarium, to pay for your time. PLEASE let us know when you register or a couple of weeks before retreat if you are able to prepare anything.
- ALL participants are asked to help with set up and take down, as well as helping with 1 meal serving or cleanup. A signup list will be available retreat.

THIS YEAR'S APPROACH—MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

We would like to use a different approach with regards to volunteers. Instead of having just two persons to do it all, for the 3-days duration of the retreat, we will need more people to do smaller specific tasks. Help such as:

Grocery shopping, helping setting up the sewing room before retreat, unlocking the center in the morning and locking up at the end of the day and volunteers back up. Having more people involved would alleviate each individual's task, be less time consuming and provide more time to sew and enjoy the sisterhood.

If you are willing, able and available to give your Guild a helping hand to make the upcoming retreats a success, whether for cooking/baking or being part of the team, PLEASE LET US KNOW at ctqg.retreats@gmail.com

Thank you Ladies.

Your retreat coordinator,

Anne Lacasse



COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Lynn Bradley and Maria Fleming

Hi. We are Lynn Bradley and Maria Fleming - co-leads for Community Projects. We are both long time guild members and long time quilters, so we hope to continue to successfully support and manage this important guild activity.

Thanks to members, we were able to donate over **275 quilts**, wheelchair size and larger, and over 350 cuddle quilts to local institutions this past year. Give yourselves a pat on the back and round of applause for all the good we do.

As a reminder, we have both quilting and top piecing kits available at meetings to sign out to complete for us. These are great for when you are between fabric purchases but want to quilt, or to practice new quilting or binding methods on. Sign one out, but please aim to return it within <u>4 months</u>. There are a number that have been signed out for a long time and we would like to get them gathered back in so they can be completed and distributed to those in need. If your situation has changed and you cannot complete them, please do not hesitate to return them back to Community Projects table...no questions asked.

We also will be happy to accept completed quilts as it means we can deliver more frequently. If you deliver a pieced top, we will try to layer and quilt it quickly, as well. We are always on the lookout for backings to match up with the completed tops if you have spare to donate.

We ask that completed quilts, whether kits or donation, include a Guild label. We have these available at meetings. There are some organizations that haven't received many quilts this year - mostly for children under 5 or up to almost adult 'kids'. So if you are looking for some ideas for new quilts, please consider some for our younger recipients. Teen quilts are also always appreciated. With that in mind, we will also have some appropriate top kits available for sign out.

To reduce congestion at the table, we will trial using a bin for donated quilt drop off.

Add your name to the bag, or pin to the quilt so we know the donor.

Over the course of the year we will do a short introduction of the organizations that receive our quilts so they become a little more familiar to you.



If you are new to the guild and curious what this is all about, please feel free to stop by the table or email us at ctqg.community.projects@gmail.com. Include your phone number if you wish to chat about what we do.

As a reminder, quilts of the following sizes are appreciated: Cuddle quilts - 22" square

Kids quilts from crib to twin - $40'' \times 40''$ to $60'' \times 72''$ (older teens may be tall) Adult size, as many have twin beds or larger - $60'' \times 75''$ or wider Wheelchair quilts - $36'' \times 36''$ to $36'' \times 40''$

By specific request - 45" x 60"



2024 QUILT SHOW NEWS

Janice Namiesniowski—2024 Quilt Show Coordinator

Show Date: Friday 14 June and Saturday 15 June 2024

Show location: Earl Armstrong Arena, 2020 Ogilvie Road (Gloucester, beside the new Costco, with plenty of free

parking and restaurants)

That's right folks, we are just a mere 9 months away from the CTQG 2024 Quilt Show.

Time to put in a new rotary blade and rev up that sewing machine, to create your quilt entries for the show. Don't forget the Quilt Show Challenge; Black and White Plus One (colour). The Quilt categories can be found on the CTQG website.

A Quilt Members Boutique is in the planning; where CTQG members can sell quilted, sewn, and quilt related items such as bags, quilts, table runners, mug rugs, etc. Does this interest you? You can sell one or many items. The Quilt Members Boutiques at the quilt shows in 2023 were very popular and had much to offer. We all know that not everyone that attends a quilt show can create like we do and would like an opportunity to buy something handmade. If you are thinking or planning to participate, have questions, please email Paulette at quiltingqueen30@gmail.com. We'd like to get an idea of the interest in our guild.

I'd like to introduce the 2024 Quilt Show Planning Committee:

- Logistics/Set up: Eve Lueke
- Shops/Vendors: Cathy Gaudet and Joanne Fox
- Registrar: Shirley Geiger-MacFadden
- Assisting Elizabeth Barr
- Volunteers: Lynn Bradley
- Treasurer: Libby McRobbie
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Bring anything quilting-related that is cluttering up your sewing space to the Quilters' Recycling table where it will find a good home!

Only two things to remember - should be quilting related and you must bring your items home at the end of the evening if they weren't re-homed.

Happy sewing room 'editing'!

Questions to Lynn Bradley at ctqg.sewdays@gmail.com.









SEW DAYS

Lynn Bradley (In Person Sew Days) & Ruth Oswald (Virtual Sew Days)

Save the dates for this year's series of In Person and Zoom Sew Days, generally the second Saturday of the month.

In Person Sew Days are held at the NDC Community Center, 3659 Navan Road, Navan, Ontario. Irons, ironing boards, and an AccuQuilter are available on site (and we'll be looking for a hand to bring them up from the basement), as is a kitchen.

Here's a link to check out which AccuQuilter dies we have available - http://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/resources/accuquilt-fabric-cutter/

There is no need to sign up ahead of time for In Person Sew days, just show up between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. with cash in hand. Cost is \$10 for the day for Guild members and \$12 for guests.

Here are the dates for In Person Sew Days. Note that the October Sew Day will be via Zoom due to scheduling conflicts.

November 11, 2023 May 11, 2024

March 9, 2024 June 8, 2024

April 13, 2024

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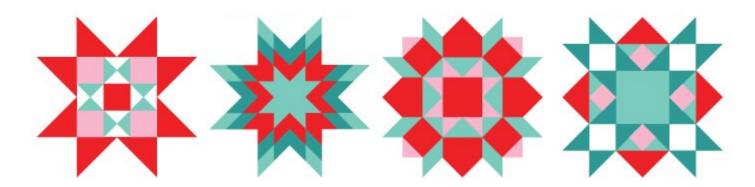
COLD, SNOWY weather months will have virtual gatherings. A Zoom link will be emailed to those who request it. You will be reminded each month to register at ctqg.sewdays@gmail.com Join us between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Virtual meetings are FREE!

Virtual Sew Days will take place:

October 14, 2023* January 13, 2024 December 9, 2023 February 10, 2024

*A virtual sew day option is included in October because there will be no in-person sew day that month.

Questions to ctqg.sewdays@gmail.com.





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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 quilts so be willing to share your work.





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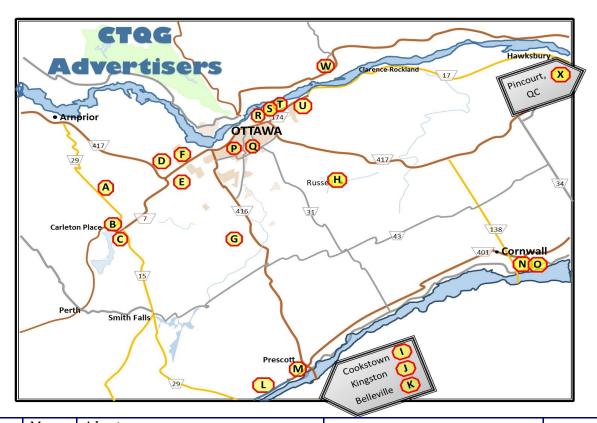
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