



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2024



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well that felt like a whirlwind Summer! We did manage to get away for a short family vacation which was wonderful, but other than that, it felt like a pretty busy Summer. I'm not complaining though. We had our granddaughters stay over for a couple of days and of course our four-year-old grandson always keeps us entertained. I did manage to get our pickles done and completed a few small projects in my sewing room. We had our first Executive meeting of the season last week and it was wonderful to see everyone. I'm looking forward to the September meeting to re-connect with you as well. I read a quote the other day that said "I'm so glad friends don't come with price tags. I could never afford the wonderful friends I have." My Guild friends immediately came to mind. And – the second to last installment of the excerpts from "Only a Quilter" and written by Tom & Madge Powis;

Only a Quilter would give a quilt book to the Guild auction then bid on it to get it back.

Only a Quilter would use freezer paper in the production of something to keep someone warm.

Only a Quilter has a welcome mat at the door to her home and an "Enter at Your Own Risk" sign on the door of her sewing room.

I hope to see you at the September meeting.

Diane L, President

September Dates

Sept 21 Free Motion Quilting Workshop CANCELLED

Sept 24

2 - 4pm Slow Stitch/Community Quilts Backing and Batting

7.30-9pm Monthly Guild meeting

Quilt Show Ribbon Winners & Guild Social

St Andrew's & St Stephen's Church, Chesterfield Avenue, North Vancouver

Sept 10 - Nov 14

West Vancouver Library Exhibit - "Piecing Us Together"

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QUILT SHOW WRAP UP

913 people came to our show this June to enjoy a spectacular display of quilts!

Our show operated at a loss this year of \$1,164.53. There were many factors which contributed to this, mostly, however, it was that costs have increased significantly since our last show in 2018.

Our boutique was wildly successful with sales of \$9,963. The feedback we have had from the public has been all positive, and our membership increased after the show.

Congratulations to our winners, and thank you to the committee and all the volunteers who made it possible.



QUILT SHOW RIBBON WINNERS

Vendors Choice:

Bena Luxton "Starry Night Swan"
Bena Luxton "I'm Home" (X3 ribbons)
Roni Walker "Floral Abundance"
Susan Lum "Daylesford"
Susanne Dickenson "Makayla"
Leslie Forbes "West Coast Moment"
Pam Cave "Mix & Match"
Leslie Forbes "Succumbing to the Elements"
Krista Hennebury "Touchstones"
Margo Novak "My Secret Garden"
Doreen Netolicky "Translucence"

Challenge Quilt

Linda Dunlop "Time In A Bottle"

CQA/Members Choice

Bena Luxton "I'm Home"

Viewers Choice

Leslie Forbes "West Coast Moment"
Becky West "Heritage Memories"
Bena Luxton "I'm Home"

QUILT SHOW WRAP UP

QUILT SHOW RIBBON WINNERS

Committee Ribbons

Appliqué - Helen Jorgensen "The Secret Garden" (Diane L)
FlowerPower - Helen Jorgensen "Flower Garden" (Krista H)
FPP - Marsh Mackay "The Wolf" (Andrea C)
Colour Blend - Doreen Netolicky "Shades of Ombre" (Leslie R)
Whimsical - Carole Burdett "Brightness in a Dark Time" (Carol C)
Small Wonder - Carol Piercy "Stepping Out" (JoAnn L)
Baby - JoAnn Lee "Alphabet" (Shauna D)
Black&White - Krista Hennebury "Touchstones" (Carole B)
PINK! - Sandi Hill "Colourburst" (Colleen B)
Hand Work - Roni Walker "Floral Abundance" (Tanith)
Borderless - Ellen Domm "Moment" (Carolann F)

HOSPITALITY



The Hospitality crew is looking for another volunteer or two to help out making coffee, tea and setting up the desserts for the meetings. If you are interested, please contact Renee S.

Just a reminder that if your birthday falls in September or was over the past summer months, please bring a plate of treats to our upcoming meeting to be shared at break time. The volunteers in the kitchen very much appreciate your help, and the treats are enjoyed by everyone.

Due to the high cost, and environmental impact of single use paper cups, please remember to bring your own cup/mug.

Thanks again. See you at our September meeting!

Renee and Marsha

PROGRAMS

Welcome back everyone, and I hope you all had a really great summer, and maybe time for quilting too!

We have a great Fall lineup for Programs :

In September we will feature Catherine Nicholls, a well-known local Fibre Artist who will bring her trunk show “The Story So Far”, as well as some of her work for sale. Her work involves discharge, dyeing, painting , drawing, and collage with paper and fibres while incorporating both hand and machine stitching. She is an internationally recognized artist and her talk will be both interesting and informative. Please view Catherine’s website www.ravenstthread.com to have a look at her fabulous art. It’s a treat to have her with us to share her knowledge and experience.

For October: Do you want to have more accurate cutting of your fabric? Do you want to speed up the cutting process? Do you want to improve your quilting experience? If you answered YES to any of these questions, then our October Program is for you! We will be featuring Cutting Made Easy using a die cutter. More to follow on this in the October newsletter.

And.... yay.... The Member Marketplace will once again return to the November meeting. This is a chance for members to offer their beautiful handmade goods for sale and just in time for Christmas shopping! If you are a Maker and would like to reserve a table for \$10, please email me before November 15th at programs@lionsgatequiltersguild.com



Tables will be available on a first-come-first-served basis

Carol C, Programs Coordinator

WORKSHOPS

IDEAS PLEASE

Let Karen and Carole know what kind of workshops you would like – Machine quilting? Modern? Traditional? Improve? Art quilt techniques? Also, please recommend any teachers you have enjoyed.

SLOW STITCHING

Slow stitching get togethers will continue September 24, 2 to 4 pm at St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's Church on Chesterfield, the afternoon of the Guild meeting. All welcome, or drop in and see what we are up to.

FUTURE WORKSHOPS

Carol Chernov, Free Motion Machine Quilting

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024 - Highlands Church

NOTE: We are sorry to advise that this workshop is cancelled.

Please see the email sent to those enrolled on this course for further details. Also, let me know whether you wish to have your registration fee refunded or if you'd like to leave it for a future, rearranged date.

Carol Chernov, Free Motion Machine Quilting

Saturday, Nov 2nd, 2024 - Highlands Church

NOTE: This was originally planned for Nov. 16, 2024 - if you are registered for this course, please confirm with the Workshop Coordinator that you can still attend

10am to 4pm (set up after 9:30am)

By popular demand, Carol will repeat her workshop. The workshop is full, with a waiting list.

EXTRAVAGANZA 2025

Saturday, January 25, 2025 - Gleneagles Clubhouse

The date is set, the venue is booked, ideas to come!

LIBRARY

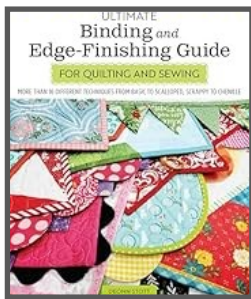
There are 5 shiny new books in our library!

Remember you can put a book on hold by going to our Catalog here: <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/lionsgatequilters> and either searching for the book, or clicking on one of the scrolling book covers.

The only thing you need is your 3 digit member number (which is your patron ID) and I will have your book waiting for you at the next meeting.

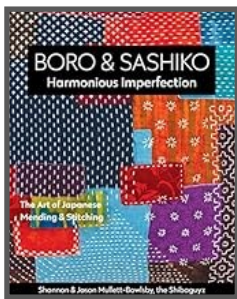
Happy Quilting (and reading)

Carolann F - Librarian



Binding and Edge-Finishing Guide

Deonn Stott



Boro & Sashiko - Harmonious Perfection

Shannon Mullett-Bowlsby



Christmas Quilting

Wendy Sheppard



Show Me How To Paper Piece

Carol Doak



Quilt As You Go Made Vintage

Jera Brandvig

CQA



The Guild is a member of the Canadian Quilters Association

Congratulations to Bena L. who won the CQA rosette at the Quilt Show, along with numerous other ribbons. Bena's quilt will be displayed at the Quilt Canada 2025 show.



Bena and her award-winning "I'm Home" quilt

Check out the [CQA website](#) for more information on seminars, and everything quilting across Canada!



Save the Date

*June 18 – 21, 2025
Welcome and Award Ceremony June 18 (evening)
Show Hall Open June 19 – 21
at the International Centre,
Mississauga, Ontario*

MEMBERSHIP

A warm welcome to the new members who recently joined us, Donna H. and Shannon M. This brings our total membership to 125 members.

There were 75 members at the June meeting with 7 guests (most of whom had attended the Quilt Show!).

Remember – the best advertising we can do for the Guild is through our members – bring your friends or family or neighbours to any Guild meeting. It's free to join us as a guest!

Door Prize Donations from any members of 3 small homemade items would be most appreciated – a little something personal rather than my boring gift bags. Just bring them and leave them at the Membership sign-in desk for future door prizes.

Membership Sign-in Desk: please sign in at the desk in the front lobby upon your arrival – we are finding this works well. Reduces the traffic a bit – just remember if you come in the back entrance to go to the front entrance to sign-in.

Quilt Show Lawn Signs. REMINDER: Please bring in the outstanding lawn Quilt Show signs (stand and plastic overlay will be reused).

New Membership email effective immediately. The new email address for Guild Membership is **membership@lionsgatequiltersguild.com**. Please use this email address going forward!

ENJOY your Fall!

Patricia H, Membership Coordinator

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Just to remind everyone that on the afternoon of our September meeting, we will have some batting for Community Quilts available at the church from 2 to 4 pm.

It really helps if you email either Brenda S or Linda H (contact details in the covering email) with the size of your quilt top and whether you intend to quilt it on a standard machine or on a long-arm one (it makes a difference on how much extra we need to allow).

Also if you need backing, please include a picture of your quilt top so we can select something that matches.

COPS



The next COPS Days is Saturday, October 19.

If you've never attended one of our monthly sewing/social days, consider joining us to try it out. Even if you don't sew a stitch because there's so much chatting (!), it's still a blast, and the potluck lunches are definitely worth it (this Guild excels at many things!).

January COPS Day will be via Zoom to give out-of-town members a chance to join in and of course the Extravaganza takes place that month in person.

Look out for the return of Sew-cials (via Zoom) after the summer break, likely on weekends.

COMMUNICATIONS



Huge thanks to Hilary D. for all her effort and patience in creating our new logo. This is something that we have wanted to achieve for some time now, but couldn't justify the significant expense of engaging a designer. It's fantastic to have members who are able to contribute their non-quilting talents to help the Guild.

On a similar theme, we have a one-off website development project we want to undertake in support of Community Quilts. If anyone has some solid Wordpress experience, please either email me or catch me at the next meeting.

Tanith, Communications Coordinator

MEMBERS AT LARGE



Do you know a member who is in need of a hug, a kind word, or a happy card? Please let us know and we will reach out to them on behalf of the Guild.

Contact Sarah G & Anne O'B [email us here](#)

WHAT'S ON?



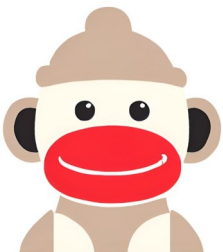
Quilts created by 14 of our Guild members are currently on display at West Vancouver Library in an exhibition entitled "Piecing Us Together". The quilts were selected at our Show by the Library's Art & Events Programmer, to relate to the theme of the mindfulness and therapeutic value of quilt making.

The exhibition runs from September until November 17.

Chilliwack Piecemakers are holding their "Piecemaking in the Valley" show on October 18 & 19. More details can be found on their [website here](#).



SOCK MONKEY NEWS



After being introduced to Carol B's enchanting sock monkeys at the "Members-Teaching-Members" event, it was wonderful to see how well received they were in the boutique at the Guild Show. So many monkeys went home, clutched tightly in the arms of their delighted new owners.

And of course, all Carol's hard work is to raise money for the Haitian charity she supports, now that the monkeys can no longer be given directly to children in Haiti. I'm sure we are all thrilled for Carol that she raised \$400 for the "Alongside Families in Haiti Society". The money will go to their Small Business Loans Project, which provide loans to personal businesses, as a means of supporting families and helping to boost the Haitian economy.