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Hello Quilters!

As I look out my window, the grass is growing and the trees are in full bud. Many of you likely have green thumbs and are busy in your gardens, while the rest of us enjoy the lovely daffodils and purple lawns that are sprouting everywhere. There may even be a few spring quilt ideas happening inside – more butterflies anyone?

Our recent Community Quilting Sale at the April guild meeting raised over \$800, bringing our total from this year’s CQ sales to over \$5,000, clearly we all love fabric! Special thanks to Bev Stevens who does a fantastic job of packaging fabric donations into irresistible combinations, and to the other members who help out at the sales. At our May guild meeting, we will have the first in-person vendor sale in a very long time – [Fabric Spark](#) will join us at Toronto Botanical Garden with lots of wonderful goodies to peruse and purchase.

I hope you will enjoy the Global Quilt Connections’ Sampler Platter on May 6 and May 7. This is an online smorgasbord of presenters showing techniques and ideas that should help spark new ideas. The viewing links have been sent out so enjoy!

We are be hosting a joint online session with our sister guild Toronto Modern on Sunday, June 25 at 3:30 pm featuring Jenny Haynes of Papper, Sax, Sten – The Evolution of a Curve. Doors to the VIRTUAL ONLY meeting open at 3:00 pm.

Our next Virtual Tuesday event is coming up on May 9 featuring a Panel Discussion on the topic “Memory/T-Shirt Quilts - Love ‘em or Avoid ‘em” with a terrific lineup of speakers – that meeting link will be sent out on Saturday, May 6. And our weekly sew alongs continue to happen online and in person on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays – see the weekly email for more details.

Our next guild meeting is on May 16, and we’re looking forward to welcoming Mary Elizabeth Kinch who will share her perspective on Quilting with Abandon and inspire us to follow joy in our quilting practice. Mary Elizabeth was kind enough to talk about her Saturday, May 27 Foothills Workshop at our last guild meeting, please take a look at it [here](#), where you can also register.

Our hybrid meetings are working well with good attendance in both formats. Please consider [volunteering](#) to assist with running these meetings, many hands make light work. You might want to consider coming in person for the May meeting (yes Zoom will still be an option) as there is a special members’ cookie reception starting at 6:30 pm to thank everyone for the volunteer activities so many people do, and for those who support those activities financially through various sales and events. Please bring your beverage with you to minimize set up and cleanup.

And don’t forget to [renew](#) your membership – it’s that time of year! We have early bird prizes for people who renew by June 30, stay tuned in the May meeting for one of the draws!

In the meantime, keep on quilting!

Heather Briant—President
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All meetings are hybrid (both in-person and on Zoom) or virtual. January, February and March are virtual only.

Doors will open at 6:45 pm. the meeting will begin at 7:00 pm, and run until 9:00 pm. (Doors open at 6:30 pm on May 16 for the Members Reception).

Invitations to the all meetings on Zoom, including the link to the meeting, are sent a few days prior to each meeting.

Meetings will not be recorded this year.

If you need assistance to join the Zoom meeting, please contact one of the following people:

Apple users (MAC, iPad, or iPhone) user, please contact Chriss Coleman at either 289.383.0555 or quilts@chrisscoleman.ca

PC users, please contract Sandra Y. at 416.523.0488 or oudaze@hotmail.com

If you are unfamiliar with Zoom and its controls, you can view the [YHQ Zoom Orientation video](#) prior to the meeting. And if you still have questions, join the meeting early and one of our Tech Team will be happy to help.

Prior to joining the meeting, we ask that you turn off any computer notifications you have (on your email account, for example) so we won't have dinging and donging going on during the meeting.

Once the meeting begins, please mute yourself to eliminate background noises.

May 16 (Hybrid meeting)

Mary Elizabeth Kinch Quilting with Abandon

Website: www.MaryElizabethKinch.com

Join us for an exciting brand new lecture by Toronto quilter Mary Elizabeth Kinch. Mary Elizabeth will share her perspective on Quilting with Abandon and inspire us to follow joy in our quilting practice.



Let's celebrate the end of a great year! Bring your own beverage to the May in person meeting and enjoy some wonderful cookies at our members' reception, starting at **6:30 p.m.**



Fabric Spark will be joining us at our May meeting, with wonderful fabrics and notions for sale.

Joint meeting with Toronto Modern Quilt Guild

**Sunday, June 25 (Zoom),
3:30 pm**

Jenny Hayes

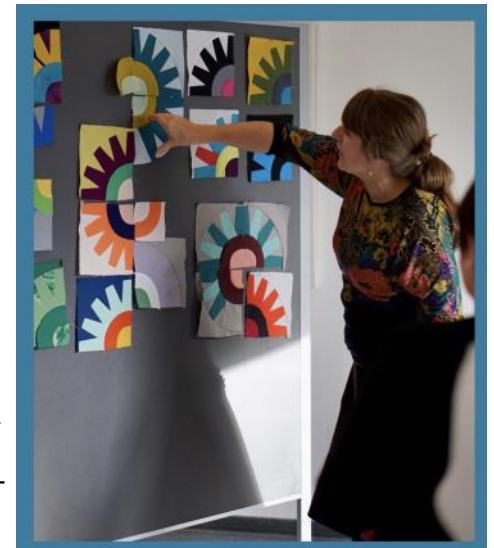
The Evolution of a Curve

Website: www.pappersaxsten.com

Jenny gives shape to curvy quilts and this is a fittingly meandering journey about Jenny's development as a maker. Her life started in a 70s Sweden with rag rugs and hand-painted bark baskets, went to London and a fashion industry that demands that you step up on the orange, to a Yorkshire full of Drunkard's Path quilts with holes and dowels.

It is also a story about the evolution of the curve and how this simple shape is picked up, experimented with, and then either discarded (natural selection) or survives to become a building block for something (if Jenny has her way) more elaborate perhaps.

Jenny would say the curve evolves independently and is taking her on a journey rather than the other way around. After this talk, you can judge for yourselves.



SPRING TIME IS MEMBERSHIP TIME

Thank you to all of you who have renewed. It is so much appreciated. There will be a draw at the May meeting for some wonderful tangible treats--a big thank you for renewing early.

If you haven't had the chance, there is a link below for you to renew now. Use it, kick back and get ready for an exciting new guild year. There will be a second draw at the end of June!!!

Thank you in advance.

Joanne Laing
Membership Chair



RENEW NOW!



Come Sea Halifax

No doubt many of you have already made plans to attend Quilt Canada 2023 in Halifax from June 8-10. Check the [CQA website](#) for all the details about the [National Juried Show](#) and the changes made this year, [quilt challenges](#), [lectures](#), [workshops](#), [merchant mall vendors](#), exhibits, [volunteering](#), [hotels](#) and registration information. If anyone is looking to find a roommate, get in touch with me and I will share your info.

The Canadian Quilters Association organizes this wonderful annual event AND year round they sponsor challenges, present webinars, offer free block-of-the-month patterns, publish the Canadian Quilter magazine, and offer discounts on programs and admissions. If you are not yet a member, have a look at their website canadianquilter.com It's \$55/year for a single membership.

Andrea Howell
CQA Representative



Location

Check your workshop registration for location. Most of our in-person workshops will be held at the Toronto Botanical Garden. Virtual workshops will be held on the Zoom platform.

Workshop Hours

9:30 am to 3:30 pm, unless otherwise noted

Registration

Please note that workshop space is limited. Please sign up early. Your registration is not confirmed until payment is received.

Fees

Payment may be made by cheque, cash, [credit card \(Square\)](#) or by e-transfer to treasurer.yorkheritage@gmail.com.

Some workshops require a kit fee, which is payable with the registration fee.

Cancellation fee is \$25.

Workshops Chairs

Leslie Batt

Mary Elizabeth Kinch
www.maryelizabethkinch.com

Foothills

When: Saturday, May 27
9:30 am—4:30 pm

Where: Zoom

Skill level: All

Cost: \$75 members
includes pattern fee
\$100 non-members
\$85 class fee plus \$15 pattern fee



Antique quilts have so much to teach us! Studying the late 1800s Canadian antique quilt on which I based my quilt, I saw that it was chock-a-block with interesting design elements and delightful quirks.

In this class you will discover how you can use these same intriguing details in your own version. We will also embrace a novel approach to construction and learn the important lessons this quilt has to offer on the role of value, the impact of colour, and how sashing can be a game changer.

Join me as we investigate the spirited design of the original quilt and be inspired as you make your own.

A recording of this workshop will be available if you register but are not able to attend that day.



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Saturday 9.00 am to 4.00 pm

GUILD CALENDAR

Guild Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Activity
Monday	Weekly	9:00 am—3:00 pm	In-person CQ Sew-Along at Stan Wadlow
Tuesday	Weekly	9:00 am—3:00 pm	In-person CQ Group at East York Community Centre
Tuesday	Weekly	10:00 am—12:00 pm	Zoom CQ Sew-Along
Saturday	Weekly	10:00 am—12:00 pm	Zoom Sew-Along
Tuesday	May 9	7:00 pm—8:30 pm	Zoom Virtual Tuesday
Tuesday	May 16	6:30 pm—members reception 7:00 pm—9:00 pm meeting	Monthly Guild Meeting (Hybrid) Mary Elizabeth Kinch Quilting with Abandon
Saturday	May 27	9:30 am—4:30 pm	Workshop (Zoom) Mary Elizabeth Kinch Foothills
Tuesday	May 23	7:00 pm—9:00 pm	Guild Executive meeting







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QUILTING EVENTS



Sarnia Quilters Guild

Presents

Water Under the Bridge Quilt Show 2023

June 2-3

Friday June 2
10am-6pm

Saturday June 3
10am-4pm

Admission \$10 | Free Parking

Point Edward Arena
210 Monk Street
Point Edward, ON

May 26-27

T.I.Q.G Quilt Show & Sale

Thousand Islands Quilters' Guild

Friday, May 26
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday, May 27
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Lou Jeffries Recreation Centre
600 King Street East
Gananoque, ON

\$10 adult admission
Cash only

www.thousandislandsquiltersguild.com

Quilt display, boutique, merchant mall, demonstrations, scissor sharpening, community quilts, silent auction.

Free parking, buses welcome.

June 3-4

Behind the Seams 2023

Trent Valley Quilters' Guild

Saturday, June 3
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Sunday, June 4
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Brighton Community Centre
75 Elizabeth Street (Hwy 2)
Brighton, ON

\$8 admission

www.trentvalleyquiltersguild.com

Featured quilter: Judy Gray

Quilts, market, café, raffles, vendors.

Free parking.



June 10-11

Stitching Among Friends

Quilting Corners Guild

Saturday, June 10
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Sunday, June 11
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Alliston Curling Rink
52 Albert Street
West Alliston, ON

\$8 adult admission
\$5 child admission

www.aqcguild.edublogs.org

Quilts, wall hangings, quilted apparel, mini auction, quilt raffle, merchant mall, bed turning, tea room, corner store.

July 8-9

A Stitch in Time

Prince Edward County Quilters Guild

Saturday, July 8
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 9
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Lehigh Arena
111 Belleville Street
Wellington, ON

\$8 adult admission

<https://pecqguild.weebly.com/>

Quilts, members' boutique, merchant mall, demonstrations, raffle quilt, guest artist, sharpening service.

COLOUR WITH A "U"

APRIL 1 - JUNE 3



"Tri-Colour Red" by Kit Vincent



"Skirtz" by Susan Avishai



"Ribs and Heart" by June Horwich



"Oh What a Night!" by Rosalind Sims



"Colour Theories" by Mita Giacomini

An exhibition of 42 art quilts on the theme of diversity and inclusion
by Canadian members of Studio Art Quilt Associates



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Creative Fibreworks Adult Workshop

Date: July 11-13 - Indoor Studio

Time: 9:30 - 1:30pm

Location: St. Matthews Church 729 St Clair Ave W

Registration open now!



In a relaxed and supportive studio environment, we will learn different techniques to create unique fabrics with special fabric paints. These fabrics will be used to make one or two items such as a bag, a table runner or a small quilt. Embellishments such as beadwork and embroidery stitches can be explored.

Facilitated by Mical Pearlman, an experienced teacher, quilter and innovative fiber artist.

This workshop caters to small groups and space is limited!

For more information and registration, email Mical: creativefibreworks@gmail.com

COMMUNITY QUILTING



Community Quilting Projects

- Prepared tops for quilting
- Block kits for piecing in three pattern choices
- Quilting kits of top, batting, and backing fabric
- Slab block kits/make your own

We have pick up/drop off locations around the city. Please call first to arrange a mutually convenient time.

North: Finch & Bathurst

Leslie Batt
416.221.5437 or cell 416.805.3237

Central: Yonge & Lawrence

Anne McLauchlan
416.817.1665

Midtown: Avenue Rd & Eglinton

Wendy Dines
416.486.8378

East: St. Clair & Kingston Road

Irena Hopper
416.320.5024

Community Quilting Groups

Join a virtual CQ sew-along on Tuesday or Saturday mornings. Zoom links are sent out to all members each week. Or join us in person on Mondays at Stan Wadlow Community Centre or Tuesday at the East York Community Centre. Check your email for registration information.

Community Quilting Chair

Anne McLauchlan

People were crazy busy in March and April!

We received dozens of finished blocks of all types (International Sister blocks, log cabin blocks, disappearing shoofly blocks, etc.). Thanks, everyone, for bringing or sending them in. And if anyone has any more finished blocks squirreled away at home, please remember to bring them to the May meeting.

We also received lots of finished tops and quilts. Thanks go to Rosemary A., Fran A., France B., Heather B., Holly D., Bob G., Del H., Lucy G., Irena H., Kirsten J., Barb K., Gail L., Jan M. (hand quilted!), Lee O., Bev S., Alexandra S. and Ann W.. Great job, everyone!

Please consider using the CQ pony express drop off locations to pick up top kits or sandwiches and to drop off finished items in order to keep our CQ program going. For drop off locations, see the listing at the left of this article.

You can also drop in to our in person CQ gatherings at Stan Wadlow Community Centre (Mondays) or at East York Community Centre (Tuesdays) to drop items off, pick up new kits or sandwiches, or to get some help sandwiching one of your own quilts; we're always glad to have visitors!

One final point...we're running low on pins for quilt sandwiches. If you have some at home that you forgot to bring in with your finished quilt, please bring them in to our May meeting (leave them open, not closed), or drop them off at one of our drop off locations.

Thanks so much to all our members for supporting this program!

Anne McLauchlan
Community Quilting Chair

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DISPLAY AND COMPETITION

May 16th SHOW AND SHARE IS IN PERSON! AND ON-LINE!

A big “thank you” to one and all who brought quilted items for our Show and Share in person and on-line! We are looking forward to this month’s meeting and seeing what our members have been sewing!

IMPORTANT: Whether you are coming to the meeting in person or on-line, please send a photo of your quilted item and a description to yhgg.zoom@gmail.com by noon on Monday, May 15th. All photos will be posted to the Guild website as per usual after the meeting. Thank you!

- **If you are attending the meeting in person** at Toronto Botanical Gardens on Tuesday, May 16th, please bring your quilt or quilted item with you and check in at our SHOW AND SHARE table near the front of the room. We will add you to our list of members who wish to speak about their quilt/project at the podium (which members at home can also see remotely through Zoom.) Leslie Batt and I (Susan Gaston) will be the “white glove ladies” displaying your quilt/quilted item for our members at TBC and on-line.
- **If you are attending the meeting on line and have a quilt or item to show**, please be prepared to discuss it when it is shown in our slideshow at the meeting and on-line (you will need to unmute).

Note: In case of audio challenges, we will read your description to the in-person audience.

*Leslie Batt & Susan Gaston
Display & Competition Co-Chairs*

LIBRARY NEWS

Please return all borrowed books at the May meeting. A few were promised to be returned in March but are still out-standing. This could affect your membership or you could be asked for monetary reimbursement.

A big thank you to the members that did purchase books. Those of you that also gave a donation for the free books, thank you. As we are attempting to eliminate storage of our many very generously donated books and magazines - this seems to be a working solution which will be used again.

New books are being purchase with these funds and like everything else prices have increased. Some books are now costing \$50 to \$60 apiece. If you have suggestions for new books please let me know.

As this is our last newsletter for the year - please have a safe and enjoyable summer.

*Shirley Stalford
Library Chair*



VIRTUAL TUESDAYS

Date: **Tuesday, May 9**

Time: **7:00 to 8:30 PM**

Theme: **Memory/T-Shirt Quilts - Love 'em or Avoid 'em**

Thank you to our April panel members - Jeannie J., Peter B., Gail L., Debra B. and May P.- for an informative and entertaining session on various aspects of longarm quilting.

Our last Virtual Tuesday of the guild year is coming up on **Tuesday May 9**. The feature presentation is another panel sharing their experiences with making t-shirt quilts and other types of memory quilts. If you've made one of these quilts or have any heirloom quilts or textile items, please send photos for the Scrapbook slideshow to yhgg.virtuالتuesday@gmail.com

Lori Dunn and Brandie Wolff



Canada Barn Quilt Trails

Durham Region has Barn quilts in numerous locations. Now that the good weather is here, members might want to watch for these on a Sunday drive.

For more information and locations check out

barnquilttrails.ca/trails/Durham-region/





MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

I am hanging up my hat, after just over two years of providing the Member Spotlight section in the York Heritage Quilters Guild newsletter. I started this feature with the intention of helping members feel more connected throughout the pandemic, since we were not meeting in-person at the time. You won't find a Spotlight in this newsletter, however you can look forward to my final one to be included in the September 2023 edition. The name of the person is a surprise, but here's a hint: it's a very beloved long-time member that many of us have had the pleasure of volunteering with and talking to.

If you would like to continue the tradition by taking over this role, please contact me, and I will be happy to share how I have managed it. You may choose to keep to the same routine, or put your own spin on it - whatever approach you like. There's lots of scope and many more members' stories to share!

Many readers have told me they really enjoy this feature, and I am grateful to have been able to make this contribution. I sincerely hope someone is able to carry it on.

-France B.



Mystery Member Spotlight coming in September

NEXT ISSUE

Submissions for the next issue should be sent to yhggNewsletterEditor@gmail.com no later than **Friday, May 26.**



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