



Nanaimo Quilters Prepare for *Material Magic 2010*

Members of the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild are quilting their fingers to the bone to show off their finest work in the upcoming Material Magic Show and celebration of their 25th Anniversary.

Material Magic features a very large exhibit of locally made quilts and fibre arts displayed in a variety of categories. Those who attend will have their say in the Viewers' Choice awards. There will be quilting and piecing demonstrations; quilt turning; a junior fiber arts display; a 12 exhibitor merchant mall, and the Guild's Boutique where you will find a plethora of locally quilted items for sale. Enjoy a yummy lunch (with the return of our famous tomato soup) in the Guild's lunchroom and entertainment by Graham Gates on piano.

The Guild generously supports many groups in Nanaimo and area - 18 to be precise! In the past 3 years we have contributed over \$35,000 in value of quilts and various items to groups such as Haven Society (donated 53 quilt's in January this year); Salvation Army; Nanaimo Women's Resources; NRGH Pediatrics and Palliative Care; VIHA; Nanaimo Youth Services (approx. 50 Christmas gift bags each year); Meals on Wheels (approx. 200 placemats each year); Nanaimo Food Bank just to name a few!

Each year the Guild supplies a \$500 - \$750 bursary to a deserving student in the Nanaimo/Ladysmith School District who plans to continue study in textile arts.

Our Guild encourages quilters and fabric artists in our community and allows us to interact and share our love of fabric and design. The Guild meets monthly and has over 200 members. We have workshops, retreats and an extensive library for members to share that fuels our creativity. Guild members make quilts for their families, friends and themselves. When there is a call from the community or even the world, they respond. Nanaimo quilts have gone to Afghanistan; flood victims in New Orleans, Houston and Duncan; fire victims in many parts of B.C., wherever comfort is needed.

Material Magic would like to thank our sponsors for their generous contributions to our show:
Platinum: Nanaimo News Bulletin; Nanaimo Magazine; Snip & Stitch (Husqvarna); BuySellTrade; Serge & Sew (Pfaff); Harvest Quilt Studio; Aquarius Design; Cindy's Threadworks; **Gold:** David Strang & Saul Hilchey (Dominion Securities); Synergy Magazine; Curves; Black & White Party Rentals; Port Place Thrifty Foods; **Silver:** Coastal Community Credit Union; Jentri Esthetics and Stitches. Also thanks to our many **Bronze** sponsors. The support from everyone will truly make a difference in the success of our show.

The 25th anniversary Material Magic Quilt Show will be a sensational event of over 400 fabric items to view. It is a three-day event that includes a Raffle of 4 separate items valued at a total of \$4,800.00! Tickets can be purchased at our local Quilt Shops and from many of the Guild members and at the door during the event. (BC Gaming Event Licence No 21696)

Event tickets are \$6.00 at the door. For more information/hours: www.islandquilters.ca

Everyone is encouraged to visit our show on **June 18, 19, and 20** and discover why ***Material.....truly is.....Magic!!***