

Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Meeting

April 15 meeting cancelled.
There is a good possibility that there may not be a May meeting. Further information as it becomes available.

Next Executive Meeting
will be announced

Newsletter Deadline

April 21 (21st of every month)

From the Presidents' Pens

Hello April!
Please be a month of
Rebirth
Regrowth
Renewal

By now you are probably all very happy that we cancelled our March guild meeting. Things are changing daily and not to belabour some things already said I hope you are self-isolating, doing a lot of handwashing and getting outside in a quiet place and just enjoying nature.

There is much to be said for solitude. What a wonderful time spring is with Mother Earth renewing herself from winter's sleep. There is a lot of sewing going on here in the morning and outside work in the afternoon sun. We do not know when the quilt will resume but will be looking forward to seeing familiar faces once again, in the meantime keep your spirits up, call or email friends and family and most of all stay healthy. See you all soon.

Happy Easter to those who celebrate that day.

Elaine Cadell, Ethyle Riawetz, Co-presidents

Quilt Bee Quilts for Haven

Due to isolation we will of course wait until back to normal, what ever that turns out to be. Haven House is on board as well.

We will hold the bee quilts back until a meeting. I asked if Haven House has any quilts in storage, they are fine and will call me if they run short. We have 105 so far.

I might ask everyone who is making the most of this event to have a look around the fabric stash and if you see anything you can part with to use for the quilt bee, please put aside for our committee to use. Stay safe everyone.

Your Quilt Bee Committee: Marlene Jones, Heather Cowan, Janet Knecht

Library

As most of us have been "self-quarantined" these last few weeks, don't you wish you had checked out more library materials in February? All materials are due back at the next Guild meeting in April (?). If not, then May we hope. Then in May you get to keep the materials until September. Until whenever the next Guild meeting is, everyone stay well and quilt lots. *The Library Team*

Satellite Groups

If anyone is interested in being in a satellite group, please contact Nadine at nqg.satellite@yahoo.ca

Guild Website

If you have something of interest for our Guild web site, please send it to Sue Creba at smcreba@gmail.com

See what our Guild and its members are up to. You can submit photos of your quilts to our Facebook and Instagram sites. Click on the **FACEBOOK** link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/Nanaimo-Quilters-Guild-118598632009213/>

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2020 Guild Program

These are strange times we are living through and I am sure we are all experiencing some bruises of adjustment. Although being in the moment is important, looking ahead can also help stem the chaos. With that in mind here is the workshop and program update.

April Program: Procrastinator's Showcase

Should we return to normal by April 15 it will be Procrastinator's Showcase time! We have certainly given lots of time to finish up these projects. If we do not have an April meeting, the Showcase will be on hold.

March 21 Creating a Modern Quilt Stacy Day Fee: \$40 plus \$5 pattern fee. **This workshop is postponed and we hope to offer it once things settle down. Those who signed up went to great lengths to get suitable fabric so we will make every effort to reschedule.** Thanks to Christine Godlonton for offering to billet Stacy.

April 18 Spicy Spiral Table Runner CANCELLED

Refund cheques will be issued and forwarded by mail.

We entertained the idea of hosting a UFO on this date but since we did not have a March meeting and things are so unsettled it is unlikely.

May 30 Ice Dyeing Fabric Joy Hegglund

Fee: \$95

Workshop is full. Thank you. We are hopeful things will be more settled and this workshop will proceed.

Register for next year!

Register for the first two fall workshops by email to maryabbott@telus.net

Registration for the remaining 2020-21 workshops will be open in September. Workshops will be posted in the June newsletter.

Sept 26 2020 Playing with Rulers

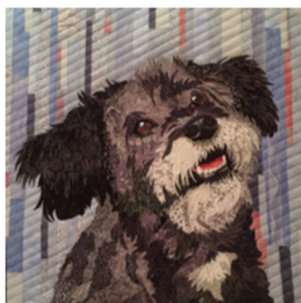
Fee \$50.

Silly Moon Quilt Company will demo rulers and bring a variety of rulers for you to play with. They will assist and guide you in learning to quilt with a ruler. Participants **MUST HAVE** the correct ruler foot for your machine. You will receive a \$10 credit toward the purchase of rulers at the class.

October 17/18 2020 Pet Portraits Anne Mather

Fee: \$120

CLASS IS LIMITED TO 12 STUDENTS. In this 2 day workshop you will learn how to make a pattern from a photo and use it to make an adorable portrait of your favourite pet. You will work from your own black and white image to make a "paint by number" master pattern and then you'll learn how to create the portrait using a raw edge fusible appliqué method. If you are comfortable using small pieces of fabric you will love this technique and be amazed at the results.



Students must bring an enlarged colour photo and a mirror image black and white version to the workshop. Photos must be identical in size. Instructions for preparing your photo will be included in the supply list.

On the second day, Anne will demonstrate how to make a background to showcase your portrait and how to free motion quilt the portrait and other finishing details so you will be able to complete the assembly and quilting after the class.

Challenge

The 2020 QUILT Challenge has been suspended until further notice. Val and I will start to collect your entries at our first return meeting, and each monthly meeting until November. At the December Christmas Party the Challenge entries will be hung for voting. With this pandemic these dates could be changed.

The theme this year is **Modern Geometric** - Google 'modern geometric art' for ideas. Here are the Rules to Play by:

- No kit is required.
- Multiple entries are allowed; but only one ribbon per participant!
- Finished perimeter to be less than 100". For example: a circle less than 31½" or a square less than 25" x 25" or a rectangle less than 20" x 30".
- Colour palette must be limited to two of the three primary colours (Red, Blue or Yellow) and one of the three secondary colours (Green, Orange or Purple only).
- Background must be black or white – No grey or cream!
- Must have at least one circle, one square and one triangle of recognizable size.
- Use primary colours on the geometric shapes. (And anywhere else you like.)
- Submit in an opaque bag with your name pinned to the back of the quilt and on the bag.
- There will be no prizes this year, only 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons plus one or two honourable mentions.

We look forward to your entry!

Judy Peterson, Challenge Chair



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Membership

April is the start of early registration for our 2020-2021 year. The membership renewal form is in this newsletter and on the Guild website. Please print the form and fill it in before the next meeting and attach your payment, cheque or cash. Credit card payment will also be available at both meetings.

The registration fee is \$30.00. If you want your newsletter mailed there is an additional charge of \$15.00. Newsletters can be accessed on the Nanaimo Quilters Guild website at <http://www.islandquilters.ca/newsletter.htm>

If you are 80 years and older at the time of registration you are entitled to Honorary Member status. Membership dues are waived, but you still need to fill out a registration form.

You can renew or join the Guild for the 2020-21 session at any meeting; or you can mail your completed registration form, with payment, to

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Laura Beswick, Membership

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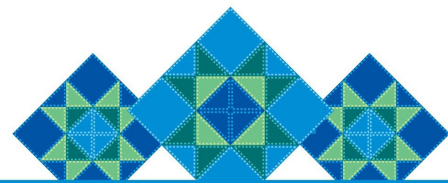
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Block of the Month

I hope everyone is keeping healthy and safe. Once we are able to get together for a meeting we'll do both March and April's BOM (and more if needed). April's block is the Disappearing Hourglass Crazy Eight. Jenny Doan with Missouri Star has a wonderful YouTube video. It's using a black solid and a bright contrast. This is the second last block for this session. Take care! Sarah Beyer, 778-269-2380, sarahbeyer@shaw.ca

Fabric: 2 10" squares Black solid and any bright colour. Unfinished block is 11 1/4" to 11 1/2" square.

Right sides together, sew squares around the perimeter, 1/4" seam. Cut diagonally twice. Press towards the black.

Sew an hourglass block. Cut about 2 1/8" from centre, 4 cuts in total.

Swap corner blocks and turn little triangle towards centre. Turn centre.

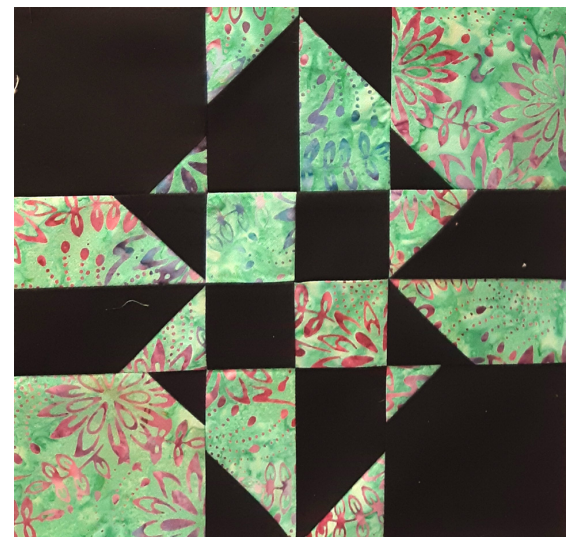
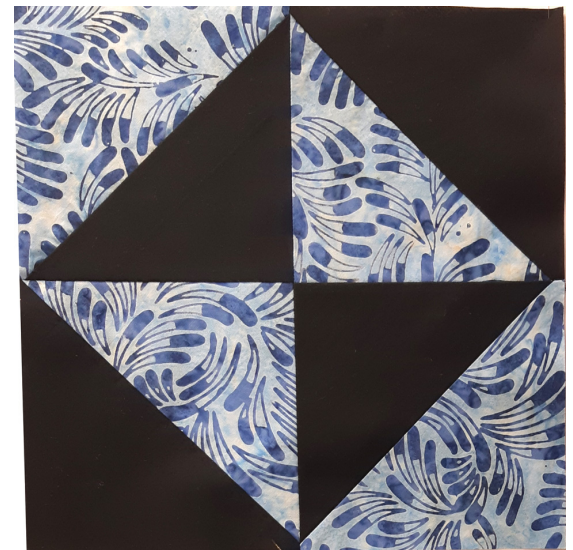
Swap the 2 middle sections and position triangles to centre (leave top/bottom sections where they are). Check photo to check pieces are laid out correctly. Sew back together



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No group leaders or car pools
No eager team that needs a coach,
No bazaars or bake sales
There will be nothing to staple
Not one thing to fold or mail
Telephone lists will be outlawed....
But a finger snap will bring
Cool drinks and gourmet dinners
And rare treats fit for a king.
You ask, "Who'll serve the privileged few
And work for all their worth?"
Why, all those that reaped the benefits
And, not once volunteered on Earth.

Anonymous*Thanks to Norma Steven for submitting this poem***Quilt Shows and Tours**

Comox Valley Schoolhouse Quilters' Guild has cancelled their May 16-18 'Visions 2020' Quilt Show.

The Victoria Quilters' Guild has also cancelled their June 5-7 City of Gardens Quilt Show.

For the status of Quilt Canada in Edmonton, June 18 - 20, 2020, please see article on page 8.

Nominations 2020

Not too much new has happened with Nominations, although I'm very happy to tell you that we have a Treasurer, thank you Lori Wanhill.....a relatively new member stepping up to do her part. We so much appreciate this!

And the Scrappy Bags satellite group has decided to take on the job of Donation Quilts, so a big thank you to them as well.

Positions we still have waiting to be filled are...

- President, or Co-Presidents – a crucial job that must be filled by the end of the May meeting. This job is less onerous than it seems, you will have lots of help and a month by month timeline to follow in order to get the work done. Many of members you see around you at guild meetings have had their turn at this job and have not regretted it (usually!) And remember, once you have had a stint as President, you won't be expected to take this job on again, so that could be incentive for you as well! The Nominations Committee has been expanded this year to include the Membership Chair, Secretary and President, in order to make the post-president job just a little easier. There aren't many good reasons not to take a turn at this job. You will get more than you give from this one.
- First and Second Vice President – if you want to attend executive meetings but not have too much responsibility, this



could be the job for you.

- Challenge Coordinator – this is a fun job for a creative person who wants to see what she can inspire other quilters to create.
- Coffee Committee – this is one of those jobs that doesn't absolutely have to happen, but if it doesn't, we will all be bringing our own drinks and snacks to meetings. Not the end of the world but it certainly is nice to have coffee and tea available at the meetings. A satellite group could easily do this job month to month.
- Program – the big jobs in Program are taken care of for the next year but if you'd like to see what this committee is about and learn some of the ropes, they could use one or two more helpers.

And that pretty well sums up what we need from you in the coming year. Please consider joining a committee or taking on one of these jobs.....I have done several of them myself and most are within reason for time and effort required. Really, you can do this and it's your guild, so help us make it happen please. Strong committees make a strong guild and we are ready for some new and forward thinking ideas. Bring them on and help your guild grow with the times! Thank you.

Christine Hustins, Past President, Nominations

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CQA Report

Some of you are concerned about whether or not Quilt Canada will happen this year, with our world in turmoil over Covid-19. Here is the latest word from the Association....

A message from the CQA/ACC Board of Directors and Executive Director regarding Quilt Canada 2020

We are closely following the circumstances of COVID-19 as it impacts communities and events internationally and at home. Just as you are, we are very concerned about the health and well-being of all of our members.

At this time we are cautiously optimistic that Quilt Canada will take place in Edmonton, June 18 - 20, 2020. We hope to provide a full program including the National Juried Show, concurrent quilt shows, workshops and day and evening lectures, over 70 vendors, and the Quilt Judge Certification Program.

We ask you for your patience. We know that vendors are preparing to stock their booths, teachers and lecturers are preparing their presentations and classes, the volunteers are preparing for their days of planning and setting up the show and the myriad of other tasks that they perform over the course of the show, and our Quilt Judge Certification Program leaders and students are also working to prepare curriculum and complete assignments. There has been so much time, talent and energy already expended in the lead up to our annual show. You may be aware that the Jury Coordinator and her team of judges have already spent weeks choosing the quilts that will be on display at the National Juried Show. And so many of you have already registered for workshops and lectures or bought your entry tickets. For all of these reasons, and more, we do not want to be too precipitous or hasty in our decision.

Our host venue, the Edmonton Convention Centre has indicated that they are very sensitive to the situation but have not as yet established a cancellation/postponement policy.

Our next update will be sent on **April 8**.

Until then if you have questions or comments, please contact:

CQA/ACC President, Jane Cramer:

Jane.Cramer@canadianquilteradministration.com

CQA/ACC Executive Director, Carole McCarville:

executivedirector@canadianquilteradministration.com

Aside from this, CQA is creating a new website which will launch this summer. The change will include a new logo and improved ease of use on the website, they say,

so we can look forward to that.

The challenges promoted by CQA this year are all still ongoing, including the postcard challenge, so keep those creative juices flowing!

Christine Hustins, CQA Liaison

Quilting at Jonanco Workshop

For those of you who may not know about Jonanco Hobby Workshop and Clubhouse, we have an active quilting group and a great facility.

We have three irons and ironing boards, cutting mats, rotary cutters, rulers, pinning tables (on leg extenders), cutting tables (again on leg extenders). Lots of plug-ins, good lighting, new flooring and a paved parking lot. Plus a fridge and microwave and coffee/tea, pop and water.

No charge to come and visit and have a look and drool over what everyone is working on. And you don't need to pre-register. If you (and whoever) want to stay for the day it's \$6 per day.

Our 'usual' quilting days are Mondays 10 am - 2 pm (earlier or later if someone is available to unlock/lock up). That's the group that started as, "Beginners Quilting" and has evolved to "Beginners and Beyond" but still teaches beginners. Sarah Beyer and or her mom, Barbara Hallum, teach it. I don't usually go to this group only because I'm used to my Friday 'girls'. Bonnie Dormuth quilts with this group when she's available.

Friday is 'my' day for quilting...10 am - 4 pm - again earlier or later if someone is available to unlock/lock up. I'm usually there about 9:30'ish. Sherry Drebnicki quilts with this group, as do most of the Guild Library Committee. Janet Knecht drops in now and then as does Lise Skalos.

We try for 3 times a year to hold what we call "Quilt Daze". It is Thursday through to Monday; from 10-4. It's what the Parksville Guild calls a, "Stay at Home Retreat". You bring your machine and projects and lunch (and a munch to share if you can). Jonanco supplies all the rest. As usual during Quilt Daze I plan to be there for all 5 days. Stay tuned for our next Quilt Daze.

We're about 10 minutes from the corner of Terminal and Extension Road, at 2745 White Rapids Road. Extension is the road just past the Country Grocer (where the Executive meetings are held).

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submitted by Vicky Zoltay



Nanaimo Quilters' Guild
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As an honorary member, I wish to continue to receive information/newsletters from the Guild.
 Yes, I do No, please just retain my membership
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I do/do not (circle) consent to my personal information appearing on the membership list that is provided to the members of the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild.

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