



QUILTING LINES

Celebrating our 30th Anniversary!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome Back!

I would firstly like to thank all of the guild members for entrusting me into the position of Guild President. I am very grateful that Wendy Spreitzer and her team was there to navigate us through the last couple of years of the pandemic and here's to hoping that this year will be less unstable.

As most of you know, I just retired and am enjoying my time at home, I've taken up gardening which I thought I would never do and thoroughly enjoying the work. It seems like the yard work will never end. I try to get some sewing in almost everyday and plan to attend the Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors, Tiny Stitchers. I look forward to hearing how you have all spent your summer.

The Programs committee has scheduled many guest speakers for the 2022-2023 Guild year including some one of our very own members and local guests. There will be 2 workshops set up, one in October and another in May.

Our guild's 30th Anniversary Quilt Show "Reflection of Georgian Bay" is scheduled for April 2023.

This year's meetings will be held at the Penetanguishene Arena and mask wearing will be dependant on the location regulations. As per Public Health recommendations, masks are highly recommended but at this time they remain optional.

Jan Dzoch
President

Meet Our President Jan Dzoch

We are so glad to welcome Jan Dzoch as our President. Jan is a long-time member of our guild and has been an active participant in many ways. Jan is a very productive quilter, famed for her full-sized quilts, and she has made numerous Cuddle Quilts over the years. It will be a fun year with Jan as our President. Nancy Phelps asked Jan a few questions about her quilting story.

1. When did you start quilting, how did you learn to quilt

I believe I started quilting in the late 70's. The first quilt I made was a Flower quilt for my mom where we painted the flowers, leaves etc. That was my first hand quilted large quilt but it quickly fell apart. I still have the pieces and hoping to get it back together. Mrs. Juneau taught me how to make a quilt which basically consisted of borders around borders, don't have that one. I eventually took a class with "Yvette Lesperance" in the basement at St. Croix School in Lafontaine. This quilt pattern was called "Lover's Knot", I made it for my daughter Denise. I just recently had to redo the binding and still have to re-stitch some of the hand stitching.

2. How long have you belonged to the Guild

I've been part of the guild about 25 years.

3. What do you like to make in terms of quilts

Full size quilts are my preference, but I have made a few wall-hangings. I do make some twin size for the great-nieces/nephews. I've started making baby quilts which is a great way to try out a new pattern without too much expense.

4. What's the funniest or worst thing you quilted

Amanda's Dresden Plate quilt was the first quilt I did by myself. I was sewing clothes before quilting therefore I was used to a 5/8" seam allowance and I thought, 1/4" that's not enough! Needless to say, the blocks were not square. I was heartbroken. My husband took them all to the garage and squared them off. I finished the quilt and Amanda loved it; we still have that one.

5. What is your favourite quilt that you made

My favourite quilt is my "farm" wall hanging which I did as an "Attic Window". This one hangs in my family room.

6. What are your favourite colours for quilts

I was mostly sewing with beiges, browns, muted colours, but I am trying to work out of my comfort zone. Currently I'm working mostly with scraps.

7. Do you belong to a kindred group or go to retreats

I have again been invited to attend a retreat in October in Stayner and I try to have some ladies to my home in the spring and fall for a weekend.



MEMBERSHIP

Time to renew!

Registration Fees:

\$30 for current members

\$35 for new members (includes required membership badge)

Method of Payment:

- ✓ Cash
- ✓ Cheque payable to 'Georgian Bay Quilters Guild'
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Bring your completed form to one of our monthly guild meetings or scan and email it to: georgianbayquiltersguild@gmail.com

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New Members are welcome! If you know someone who may be interested in joining our guild, please share this information with them.

Sandi Allbon
Membership

SCQRAF Update

Wow, September already. Where did summer go!

Plans for the Simcoe County Quilt Rug & Artisan Fair are being finalized as I write this. It's so nice to be able to say that it is being held this year as it was missed! I am really looking forward to seeing what people have been busy creating during the hiatus and perhaps do some shopping while I am there.

If you are interested in going, the Simcoe County Museum is hosting it again (as they have done in past years) from September 16-18, 2022. Their location is 1151 Highway 26, Midhurst. Prices range however adult admission is \$8. More information can be found on the Museum's website at <https://museum.simcoe.ca/programs/fall-events-2021>

Hope to see you there or hear your stories of how you liked it.

Sharon Harbottle



LET'S ALL GO TO THE FAIR

Country Fairs are such a big part of rural living. Winters were spent stitching and knitting, planning special recipes and dreaming of the fun day to come. Craft shows were a chance to share our winters work, enjoy beautiful displays and reunite with friends. The Simcoe County Quilt Rug and Artisan fair is just one such event that has been a big part of our community of quilters for about 77 years. The Simcoe County Arts and Crafts Association (SCACA) was formed in 1945 and has drawn craftspeople together to share their talents ever since.

I recall the first show I went to in the summer of 1971. It wasn't held at the museum, but rather in a Barrie high school. I fell in love with all the beautiful quilts. I couldn't help myself; I bought my first quilt. It was a log cabin with bright sherbet colours and a pink backing. Wow I was in heaven. If I recall correctly the quilt cost me \$25. It wasn't my beginning into quilts, but it made me love them even more. When I moved to this area in 1984, it wasn't long before I joined the Simcoe County Quilters Guild and became involved in the fair. What fun to work with my fellow quilters to help set up the displays and then share the excitement of the weekend, meeting friends and introducing visitors to the beauty of quilting. I laugh now, because in those early shows PANEL were forbidden, and machine quilting was hard to find. Most of those quilts were beautifully quilted by hand.

It's wonderful that over the years this Quilt Rug and Artisans Fair has continued. I love to go every year, to see all the amazing workmanship of the talented people of Simcoe County. It isn't just quilting though. This show also promotes the talents of Rug Hookers, Weavers, Spinners, Knitters, Teddy Bear enthusiasts, Lace Makers and more. There are two wonderful boutiques for you to shop, The Members Boutique and the Quilters Corner Store. It's a great place to start your Christmas Shopping or seasonal decorating. The merchant's mall brings us local vendors who always have wonderful wares for us to purchase. To finish your visit there are snacks and desserts in the sunshine, usually with some live music, an appropriate end to your day at the fair. I hope you will go this year to see all the talent Simcoe County has.

Sue Hopkinson

Program 2022-2023

Welcome back quilters! Hope everyone had a great summer! We have an exciting lineup of speakers and workshops for you this year. If you have any requests for speakers, please let me or anyone on the program committee know and we will do our best to get them to our guild.

September 28, 2022

Michael Smith aka; The Sewcial Quilter!

Let's hope that "the third time really is a charm" because that's how many times we have booked Mike to come to our guild. We have had to cancel twice due to covid! I am so looking forward to meeting him in person! He is very entertaining, and I think we are in for a fun evening.

From Mike:

'Looking back, I suppose it was fate which led me to quilting because my journey through life could be described by the names of many quilt blocks. I must have followed the Drunkard's Path because there was certainly some twists and turns along the way. From finally becoming a homeowner, my Log Cabin, to finding unbreakable love of the Lover's Knot. There was even a Storm at Sea when I lived through the devastating effects of a hurricane. Following a Young Man's Fancy has gotten me into trouble more than once, and some exciting opportunities led to a Trip Around the World – well, part way, at least. I've emptied plenty of Spools through my sewing and quilting journey, and many moves over the years resulted in some Broken Dishes, and a few broken mirrors, too!'

October 26, 2022

Sue Sherman - Journey of a Renaissance Woman

Sue is a National and International Award-winning Quilt Artist. She has been working with fibers and fabric for many years. Her fabric creations connect with the places and wildlife she has seen in her travels. Her quilts feature wildlife taken from her own photos. She creates lifelike images through many hours of precise painting with dyes and thread.

November 23, 2022

Arlene Nicholas - Arlene is the owner of the Quilters Bouquet, an online pattern store. She designs and writes patterns that are easy to follow. She will have a supply on hand for you to purchase at the meeting. She has taken courses in art and photography which show in her quilts impressive use of color, texture, and light. She is very passionate about fabrics, textiles and sewing. Her designs feature gardening, nature, and her life experiences.

Program Continued ...

December 14, 2022

Sue Hopkinson

Christmas Tea and craft time. Sue will be guiding us through another Christmas craft. I have all my Christmas ornaments from past years hanging in my quilt room all year around. I can't wait to see what she comes up with this year!

January 25, 2023

We have reserved this night for some presentations from our own members! You will have to wait and see who and what they have in store for you!

February 22, 2023

Heather Eland

Our own member, Heather will be showing some of her art/landscape quilts. Heather is a very talented artist/quilter, and I am really looking forward to seeing her creations.

March 22, 2023

Judging of the Black Bag Quilt Challenge and our Anniversary Celebration. More information to follow.

April 26, 2023

To Be Announced

May 24, 2023

Jeannie Jenkins

Jeanie is a lifelong sewist and award-winning quilt maker from Toronto. She shares her quilt-making passion by teaching both beginner and intermediate classes. She is a professional longarm quilter and designer of beautiful quilts. In the Spring of 2019, she published her first book, "Contemporary Paper Pieced Quilts".

June 14, 2023

Annual General Meeting.

Catherine Proulx
Program

WORKSHOPS

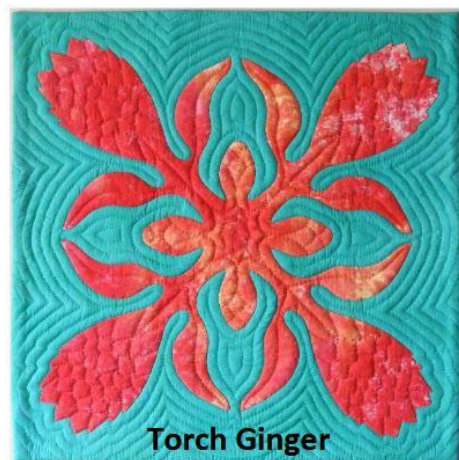
October 27, 2022

Hawaiian Quilting Workshop - With Sue Sherman

By Day Sue is a textile artist working with hand dyed fabrics or dye painting, and machine quilting, to make realistic quilts depicting wild animals.

At Dusk Sue becomes a slow stitcher, making Hawaiian Quilts and other projects using hand appliqué and hand quilting. She lived most of 2012 through 2014 in Honolulu where she was part of a Hawaiian quilting class, and there she learned about the techniques, design, and cultural significance of Hawaiian quilting.

You will have your choice of Sue's introductory Hawaiian quilt blocks shown in the pictures.



Date: Thursday October 27, 2022

Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm

Cost: \$50.00

Location: Penetang Memorial Arena

Sign Up with Cathy Proulx at the September Meeting.

Come out and have fun with fellow quilters. Workshops are a great way to meet new friends and learn new techniques and tips.

Bring your Lunch and a mug for tea or coffee.

May 25, 2023

Crazy Quilting - With Jeannie Jenkins

Stay tuned for more information!

Catherine Proulx

Workshops

A BLACK BAG CHALLENGE

Everyone needs a black bag, so here is your challenge. We want you to create an amazing black bag for our 30th Anniversary celebration.

- Create your own bag, or use a commercial pattern as a start, but you must add your own special touches.
- Your piece of BLACK DENIM must be a major visible fabric in your bag, but you may add any other fabrics you want.
- You must add a quilted element to the bag. This could be a pieced, or applique element, or a thread quilted design.
- You must add at least one Embellishment. Buttons, bows, zippers, the sky is the limit. We want to see some BLING! Make your bag stand out!

Challenges will be shown at our March 2023 meeting, and will be on display at our Quilt Show, April 2023. There will be Members Viewer's Choice awards.

Sue Hopkinson still has Denim for this challenge. Please see her at the meeting if you have not gotten your fabric yet but would like to participate.



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2023 QUILT SHOW

Welcome back quilters to the 2022-2023 season. This year the Guild is celebrating its 30th Anniversary. This year will be exciting as we prepare for the Guilds Quilt Show.

When: April 29 and 30th 2023. (April 28th is the setup day)

Where: Tiny Twp. Community Centre 91 Concession Rd 8 East, Tiny Ont.

The Show will feature:

- **A Members Boutique** - where members can sell smaller quilted items giving 15% of their sales back to the guild.
- **A Quilter's Café** - serving refreshments and sweets i.e. squares and cookies for \$5.00.

Admission to the show is \$7.00.

Grantham Books will be on site plus two other vendors giving the guests an opportunity to shop for quilt related items.

Sign up for volunteers to assist before and at the Show will begin in January 2023. Now is the time to start a project or finish up your project to enter into the show.

Mary Mackie

Chair, GBQG Quilt Show

Quilt Show Publicity

Help is needed with compiling a data base to distribute the bookmarks, and posters. Unfortunately, nothing has been found from previous shows.

So, if working from home, a couple of hours a week (for just a few weeks) is of interest, please put up your hand. All you'll need is a computer and wi-fi. If anyone has experience in formatting lists and mail merge, if you could pass those skills to us, it would be appreciated.

Thanks so much for your help.

With appreciation,
Kim

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Hi everyone:

Trusting you are all having a great summer and spending time with friends and family.

This year The Red Cross has asked for our help in supplying approximately 40 placemats this year for their Thanksgiving Meals-on-Wheels delivery in early October. We will also be collecting Christmas placemats at the December meeting. In the new year we could consider possibly providing them with placemats for the Easter Meals delivery.

The Meals on Wheels program delivers affordable, nutritious and delicious meals to members of the community who are unable to prepare their own food. Meals on Wheels helps people continue living independently while maintaining a healthy diet.

I will be coordinating pickup with the Red Cross for early October. Anyone who is making placemats, please give them to me at the September Guild meeting if at all possible or they can be dropped off before October 3rd, 2022. If you need alternate arrangements email or call Ruth.

Thanks in advance for your help in meeting the Red Cross needs.

Ruth Hamel
Community Outreach Rep



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Quilts for Ukraine

We were able to distribute our quilts to families in Collingwood, Brechin and Orillia. They were so appreciative of your generosity and support during their transition to Canada.

Ukraine family flees horrors of war, finds safe haven in Brechin

'We are really happy to be here,' says Ukrainian refugee, adding: 'We feel that we have freedom here and finally, we are safe'



Tyler Evans
2 days ago



Pavlo Slezynskyi, 31, his wife, Anna, 30, and his son, David, 4, left war-ravaged Ukraine and have found a safe haven with a local family in Brechin. | Supplied Photo

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NEWS

**'Very beautiful and nice people':
Four Ukrainian newcomers
calling Collingwood home**

Katya Lavrynenko, Slava Lavrynenko, Mykola Maslov and Vasyl Medvid are working in the community

By John Edwards Collingwood Connection
Monday, June 20, 2022

Many smaller quilts were left at the St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, distribution centre at their school of the same name, in Toronto.

Although we were focusing on the Midland, Penetang and Tiny areas to make our donations, we are advised that a family was here briefly before moving out of the area.

Currently we have 10 larger quilts and there are 2 twin size quilts with the long arm quilter. We'll be reaching out to groups in the Barrie and Toronto areas to complete our donations. If you know of or hear of any Ukrainian newcomers, please let us know.



July 4, 2022,

Dear Alina,

Welcome to Canada!

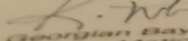
Canada is a beautiful country whose population was built on immigrants who settled here, from all over the world. We hope your transition is going smoothly and understand that the Orillia community had been helping with that.

The Georgian Bay Quilters Guild celebrates its 30th Anniversary next year and is located in Midland, Ontario. Part of our program is community outreach and we wanted to welcome you with a quilt that was made by groups of our members and quilters in the Barrie, Midland, Penetanguishene and Tiny, Township areas.

We wish you all the very best of health, happiness and prosperity. Should you have the opportunity to return home, please take the quilt with you and enjoy its warm and remember your friends at The Georgian Bay Quilters Guild.

To care for your quilt: Wash in a washing machine on the delicate cycle, in luke warm water, with a mild detergent. Machine dry on medium setting or hang to dry.

With love and support.


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LIBRARY

WELCOME NEW GUILD MEMBERS.

It is with pleasure that I introduce you to our travelling library! The Guild has approximately 100 books in various categories, Modern, Piecing, Seasonal, Tips and Techniques, New Quilters etc. I will bring a selection from each of the categories so you will have a better perspective of the library content.

You can view our inventory by going to our website gbqg.ca and click on library and view the books and choose the one(s) that you would like.

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our
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You then click on library contact librarian@gbqg.ca (Carol MacDonald) and I will bring your book the next meeting. You can sign the book(s) out for as long as you need it or until someone else requests it. This year's library budget allows me to purchase a trolley or wagon and containers to transport a few of the books to each meeting. This will be so much easier! It will also allow you time to actually look at the books. Just like fabric, one needs to touch and hold it to get a sense of how it will work for you and maybe inspire you to tackle a new project!

I am looking forward to meeting you and renewing friendships from last year.

Carol MacDonald
Librarian



GBQG Executives

Here are the names and contact details for our 2022-2023 executive committee members:

Position	Name
President	Jan Dzoch
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