



QUILTING LINES

Guild meetings will be held at the North Simcoe Sports & Recreation Centre, 527 Len Self Blvd., Midland in The Billy Thompson Room.

Dates to Remember

Guild Meetings: 6:30 pm

- Oct. 23, 2024
- Nov. 27, 2024
- Dec. 11, 2024

Demonstrations 6:00 pm

Workshops

Thursday, October 24, 2024 -
Wild & Spectacular Flowers
Embrace Your Wild Side

Quilt Show

Saturday April 26 & Sunday
April 27, 2025

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello all,

Oh October! My favorite time of the year! I just love the warm days, cool crisp nights and watching the landscape change dramatically around me. The leaves changed their color late this year, but it was worth the wait, as they look spectacular right now in my neighborhood!

Speaking of color, the fall fabrics that have been flooding the quilt stores for the last few months are so hard to resist. The deep burgundies, purples, golds, flaming oranges, rusts, bright reds, yellows and even browns make up some of my favorite colors! Its so hard not to buy them all!

I can't let myself get distracted with the fall fabrics though, because I have my club challenge to work on! The pieces have been cut out, but I need to get started sewing. If you haven't already, I urge everyone to enter the challenge (described later in this newsletter). It will be so much fun to see what people have done, and it never hurts to have an extra baby quilt ready for when you need one for a friend or neighbor. There is still lots of time if you haven't started yet so get your creative thinking cap on and get busy!

Check out the rest of the newsletter for more information on our activities.
See you at the meeting on Oct. 23, 2024

Cathy Proulx, *President and Newsletter Editor*

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Program

Speakers

October 23, 2024 Jennifer Holden

Growing up in Saskatchewan, Jen's fingers were always itching to dive into the world of crafts. Despite her mother being a skilled seamstress, Jen initially swore off sewing. However, fate had other plans for her creative journey.

It wasn't until she found herself in the Canadian Arctic that Jen stumbled upon the enchanting world of quilting and was hooked. Little did she know that this newfound passion would accompany her across continents.

Even in the remote expanses of the Australian Outback, Jen's quilting needles danced, soaking up inspiration from the unique surroundings.

Returning to Canada, Jen developed her label, Quilts by Jen. A designer, teacher, speaker, and pattern writer, Jen draws inspiration from the world, infusing her quilts with color, texture, and movement. Her art combines traditional and non-traditional techniques, utilizing various textiles and embellishments.

From her off-grid studio in the Canadian Shield, Jen teaches, sharing her passion for quilting surrounded by the beauty that inspires her. Her classes are not just lessons; they are immersive journeys into the heart of quilting, where art meets technique, and passion meets skill. Her quilts, woven with stories of global adventures, are vibrant masterpieces that reflect her boundless creativity.

You can find out more about Jen and her quilting adventures at www.quiltsbyjen.ca

Demonstrations

There will be demos at most meetings between 6:00pm and 6:30pm.

October Demonstration: Vicky Gerke will be showing us how to make a tube pillowcase.

Refreshments

We will have a refreshment sign up sheet, so all members can participate in bringing snacks to the meetings.

October: Vicky Gerke, Sue Hopkinson, Karen Crotin, and Mary Pender will bring treats!

Block of The Month

For the 2024-25 guild year we are having a BOM again (Block of the Month).

Instructions will be given on how to make each month's block with color suggestions.

Make 2 blocks, keep one for yourself and bring the second block to the next guild meeting.

A name draw of all participants might have you winning all the blocks that month.

New members will have an opportunity to learn new quilt techniques and we'll all learn new skills.

Don't forget to bring in your pumpkin blocks for this month. Also, if you participated in the block of the month last year, bring in your completed flimsy or quilt for show and share. I can't wait to see all the different ways they were put together.

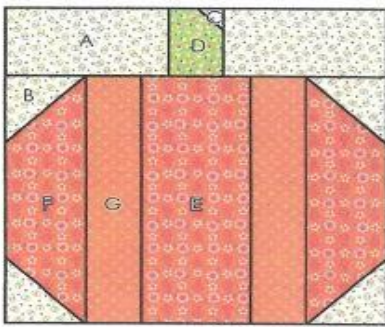
Kim Maticiw, Margita Wallgren, Jennifer Ouellet, and Vicky Gerke
 Program Committee

Sept. Block of the Month

The Quilted Witch

by Lori Holt

Quilted Pumpkin Block



Unfinished size - 12 1/2" x 12 1/2"

Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the Fabric C square.

With right sides facing, layer the Fabric C square on the top right corner of the Fabric D rectangle. Stitch on the drawn line and trim 1/4" away from the seam.

Pumpkin Stem Unit should measure 2" x 3".



Make one.

Fabric Cutting

Background (SKU# C14181-MilkCan)

- A 2 - 3" x 5 3/4" rectangles
- B 4 - 3" squares
- C 1 - 1 1/2" square



Pumpkin Stem (SKU# C14166-Lettuce)

- D 1 - 2" x 3" rectangle



Pumpkin Print #1 (SKU# C14160-Pumpkin)

- E 1 - 4" x 10" rectangle
- F 2 - 3" x 10" rectangles



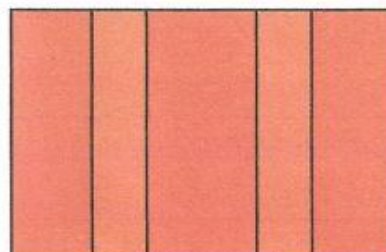
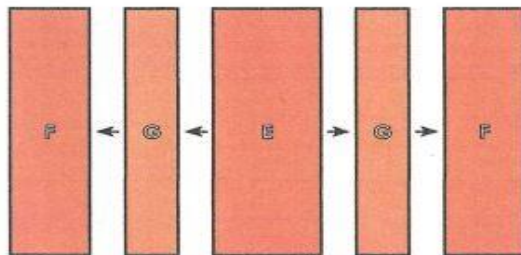
Pumpkin Print #2 (SKU# C14168-Yam)

- G 2 - 2 1/4" x 10" rectangles



Assemble Unit.

Partial Pumpkin Unit should measure 10" x 12 1/2".



Make one.

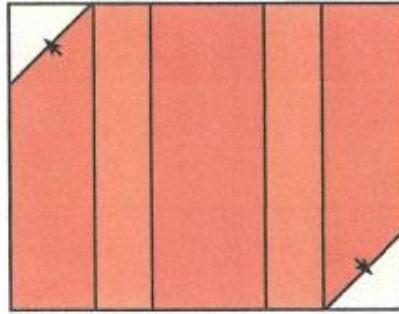
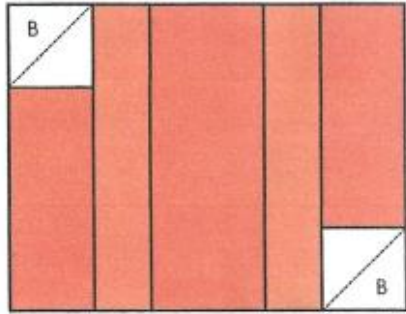
The Quilted Witch

Quilted Pumpkin Block

Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the Fabric B squares.

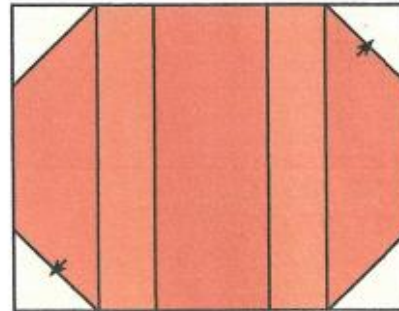
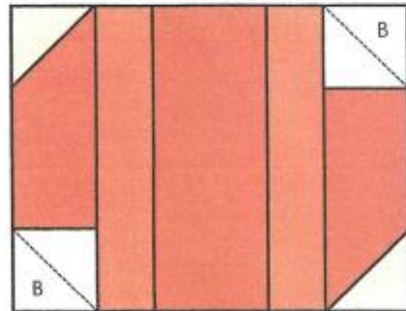
With right sides facing, layer Fabric B squares on opposite corners of the Partial Pumpkin Unit.

Stitch on the drawn lines and trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the seams.



Repeat on the remaining corners.

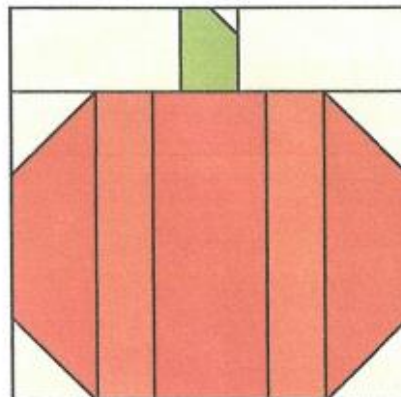
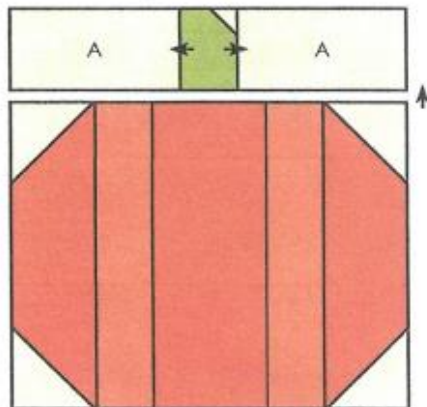
Pumpkin Unit should measure $10" \times 12\frac{1}{2}"$.



Make one.

Assemble Block.

Quilted Pumpkin Block should measure $12\frac{1}{2}" \times 12\frac{1}{2}"$.



Workshops

Wild & Spectacular Flowers

Date: Thursday October 24, 2024

Time: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm (Set up at 9:00 am)

Cost: \$35.00

Location: North Simcoe Sports & Recreational Centre

Sign up: contact Kim Maticiw

(Space still available, Sign up at Oct. Meeting)



Embrace your Wild Side with Jennifer Houlden

Get ready to dive into a world of funky fabrics, vibrant colours, and free motion fun! In this class, we'll explore creating unique quilts with texture, thread, and the magic of free-motion zigzag. Using an array of interesting fabrics, you'll craft a captivating focal point, whether it's a whimsical flower, a majestic tree, or any other object that sparks your creativity. Then, we'll jazz up the background and borders to add depth and dimension without overshadowing your masterpiece. Learn the art of finishing touches, as we master the free-motion zigzag technique to add detail and flair to each element of your quilt. It's like colouring outside the lines, but with thread! Join us for a stress-free, relaxed workshop filled with laughter and learning. Whether you're a seasoned quilter or a newbie, you'll walk away with a gorgeous creation—a wall hanging, pillow, or table runner—that looks complex but is actually a breeze to make. Let's stitch up some fun together.

Reflections of Georgian Bay Quilt Show

Save the Date: April 26 and 27, 2025

Reminder – Club Challenge

Great Expectations

Time to get working on your club challenge. Entry due at the **March 2025** meeting. Let's see your creative and artistic side. Challenge details below.

There will be three categories if there are sufficient entries (6) for each category.



Category 1: Baby quilts:

1. Must be crib sized quilts. Maximum dimensions 36" x 52"
2. Must not have decorations such as buttons that could be choking hazards.
3. May be from pattern or an original design.

Category 2 - Baby Wall hangings:

1. Maximum size is 160-inch perimeter. For example, 40 x 40 inches, 50 x 30 inches, etc.
2. May have all kinds of decorations added to the quilt.
3. May be from a pattern or an original design. (Example of a pattern might be one from Harebrained Happenings)

Category 3 – Accessories:

1. Accessories include items that babies need or use. Examples may include diaper bags, bibs, bunting bags, quilted stuffed toys, etc.
2. If baby is going to use item such as a stuffed toy, as opposed to a diaper bag, it is the same rule as applies to baby quilts. No decorations such as buttons that could be choking hazards.
3. May be from pattern or original design.



General Rules:

1. All items must be quilted.
2. You may enter more than one category.

Let's see your creative and artistic side!

Beth Dubeau

Membership

59 Quilters have joined the Guild so far this year!

Please check at the membership table for name tags and membership cards.
Don't forget to sign in.
Thanks for your patience.

Anne Rutherford, *Membership*

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I am looking forward to serving you and our quilting community as the new owner of HummingBird Sewing. You will be familiar with our loyal service team but the shop has a new look. The colour wall of fabric blenders you have come to rely on will be maintained, and you can look forward to more prints and novelty fabrics. Also, hand stitching and embroidery supplies will be introduced in the new year. A variety of in-person classes are offered throughout the season, and our small class sizes provide more focused learning. And as before, we continue to service and repair all makes and models of machines. Come on by to see what's new!

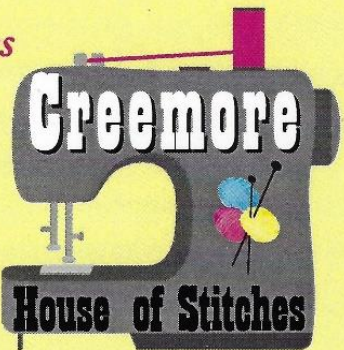
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