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President's Note

Dear Guild members,

The onset of a new year always fills me with optimism and determination; including 2022 which, admittedly, is getting off to a lousy start. The current spike in Omicron cases means that we must return to Zoom for our January meeting. As you know from the last newsletter, we had booked a presenter for January but, when plans had to change, we rebooked another equally good Zoom option. And that is how we will continue to approach this year: we will pivot, reschedule, double plan, and innovate to ensure that we end this membership year every bit as strong as we were at the beginning. Unfortunately, this necessitates shorter advance notice of upcoming events, but I believe that the past year has taught us to grab opportunities to gather in any way we can, even if circumstances are less than ideal.

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Meeting Date

Our next meeting is **January 10th via Zoom**. Sign in begins at 12:30pm and meeting starts at 1:00 pm.

Slow Quilting

Haven't joined us yet? Here are the upcoming dates:

January 17

January 31

February 14

February 28

I always make a New Year's resolution (or two), and despite having often fallen short in the past, I still make them with complete conviction that I will succeed this time. Are you considering any resolutions? If you have not yet joined us for a Zoom event, may I suggest you resolve to give one a try? We have a workshop (Jan 18th), Slow Quilting (Mon), Sew Zoom (Wed), Nautical Quilt Along (Thursday) and Open Sew (Thurs evening) all running in January. I always learn something in these sessions and all newcomers are welcome.

In 2022, I believe that we will master new skills, make our best quilts ever, have our most successful show and help each other with whatever the year has in store. May this year bring you only the best!

Happy New Year and happy quilting,

Krista

Program News

We have an interesting lecture/trunk show for you at the January meeting. Our presenter is Amy B Friend, and you might know of her from her book, "Intentional Piecing". She will be presenting a new topic for us, a lecture/trunk show called Alternate Grids and Negative Space. If you want a sneak preview, her website is:

<https://duringquiettime.com/teaching-and-lectures>

This presentation is approximately 45 minutes in length, followed by Q&A, therefore **there will be no Sew & Tell at the January meeting**. Please continue to send your photos to Barb Robson for our next meeting.

We sure hope you will join us.

Membership News

We would like to welcome, Kimberly McGowan and Susan Moore. They are our newest members. We hope to see them online soon and hopefully in person in 2022.

Workshop News

We only have a few spots left in this exciting upcoming Zoom Workshop. Here are the details:



LEARN & EXPLORE

DEEP IN THE FOREST Zoom WORKSHOP

with **Cristina Arcenegui Bono**

Award winning quilter, artist and teacher Cristina is going to teach us how to easily create our own enchanted picture in our machine quilting. If you can doodle you can do this! She shares her methods for her incredible quilting creations in this 4hr zoom class for anyone who wants to put a little whimsy in their quilting.

You will make a mini whole cloth quilt as she teaches us a few basic shapes to create you own custom forest while having fun. Once completed you will be able to move up into her Happy Village and under the sea with a little practice... then who knows!!

Website: www.crisarcbono.com

4hr Hour Workshop

12-4pm
Jan. 18, 2022

Members \$35
Non-Members \$55

Location
Online (Zoom)

Register
by email to
workshopsmbqq@gmail.com

Skill Building

- Machine quilting
- Free motion quilting

Material List

Solid colour fabric and backing
Contrasting thread
Batting
Water soluble fabric pen

*a more detail list will be emailed
and posted on Guild website

2022 Quilt Show

We are in the process of printing "Save the Date" Bookmarks. These will be available at the library during our display. Please see pictures of the display below.

Thanks to Gail Smith who sold raffle tickets at two Farmers' Markets in December. Remember to pick up your raffle tickets at our next in-person meeting.

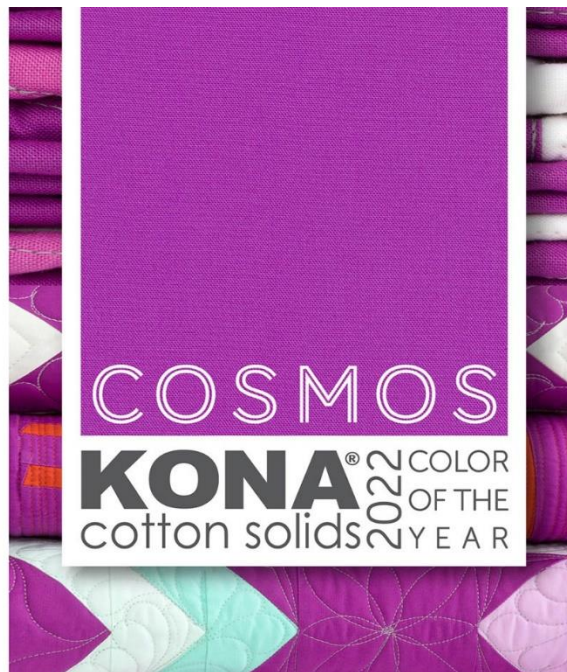
If you are interested in helping with the Quilt Show, please send Annette an email at aandbf@eastlink.ca

Library News

Were you wishing for a particular book for Christmas? If you did not receive it, perhaps Judy could order it for the Library. Send her an email if you are interested in a particular book.

2022 Colour of the Year

Kona has recently announced the colour of the year for 2022. It is a beautiful colour. I have never made a quilt with all solids, perhaps this may be the year to start one.



December Meeting

We had a wonderful turnout at our Christmas/30th Anniversary Party. The Santa Snacks provided by our member, Irene Freeman, were delicious. It was nice to see the camaraderie. We had our monthly meeting, we laughed, we exchanged ornaments and we ate, and we laughed some more. We received several emails from members letting us know that they had a nice evening. We had 3 happy winners of three \$30 gift certificates. The winners were Annette Fralic (Avonport Discount Fabric Centre), Sue Conrad (Lynn's Quilting Studio) and Carole Swim (Woolworks Studio)).

We would also like to thank everyone for their donations. We donated over \$100.00 to the Lunenburg Food Bank.

Name our Quilt Show Contest

Thanks to those who have submitted a name or two. We have decided to extend the deadline to January 15th as many members were busy during Christmas and did not have time to think about possible names. This will give you a bit more time to put your thinking caps on. Remember the submissions will be reviewed anonymously and that there is a \$50 gift certificate for the winning submission. The Winner to be announced at the February meeting.

Name our Quilt Show Contest!

Are you feeling creative and inspired? We need your help.

Contest Rules:

We are looking for a name for our quilt show and we thought who better to name it than our current members.

The name will be used when we hold our bi-annual quilt shows.

As you know it is held in the Fall. The suggestions can reference the season, location, or a catchy "quilty" term. For example: The International Quilt Show in Houston uses Quilts: A World of Beauty. Let your imagination flow!! Any idea welcome. All current Guild members are allowed to submit up to 10 suggestions.

Contest Period:

The Contest will run between December 1, 2021, and ends January 15, 2022.

How to Enter: Contestants will send their suggestions with their name and phone number to: mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com by email before the end of January 15, 2022

Winner Selection:

On or about January 15th, 2022, the selection committee will review the suggestions and the winner will be announced at the February meeting. All suggestions will be reviewed however the committee may not find a suitable name at this time.

Prize:

A gift certificate from a local fabric shop will be awarded to the person who submitted the winning name.

Margaret Hennigar Library Display 2022

This year's display of quilts was installed at the Margaret Hennigar library in Bridgewater on January 4, 2022 and will remain through the month of February.

Quilts were contributed by Judy Cooper, Cathy Drummond, Annette Fralic, Clarissa Fralic, Krista Garber, Tara Lynas, Nina Scott-Stoddard, Daphne Strowbridge, Gail Stryde, Carole Swim, and Pam Wells. Unfortunately, we had to limit the number of entries to two per person, and some quilts could not be displayed due to lack of hanging hardware available at the library. As always, the photos do not show all the exquisite detail in these items, so try to stop by the LCLC to see the quilts "in person." Our gratitude is extended to the members who made their quilts available for this popular display.













Nautical Quilt Along

Here is the information on the Quilt Along that is being offered by Tara Lynas:

Nautical QUILT ALONG



Join MBQG's 2nd annual Quilt Along (QAL). This year's pattern was designed by Tara Lynas and takes its inspiration from the South Shore of Nova Scotia.

Every other Thursday afternoon (January to June), we will have Zoom demonstrations on the quilt assembly.

Nautical is traditionally pieced with a small amount of applique and with one block foundation paper pieced. Size: 70" x 94"

So, whether you are a new or experienced quilter, this interactive QAL is for you.

The QAL is free for Guild members, and participants will receive the pattern for a specially reduced price.

Everything was revealed at the Guild's Dec 6th meeting.



Pattern: Nautical is available for \$12 (PDF format). The pattern (48 pages) is filled with detailed step-by-step easy to follow instructions.

Paper copies may be available as a special request.

Signup and Payment (cash) available at the Guild meeting.

Or, by email/etransfer to Tara at

GullsNestQuilts@yahoo.com

Quilt Game

Thanks to all of you who participated in the December Newsletter games. I received over 20 emails. It was great. Here are some of the answers I received for quilt blocks using the letters in December

Drunkard's path, Dresden plate, Dutchman's puzzle, double Irish chain, disappearing 9 patch, diamond in a star

Eight-pointed star, evening star, Economy, empire star

Courthouse steps, churn dash, Cups and Saucers, checkered star, cross and crown, Cathedral Windows

English flower garden, English paper pieced

Mariner's compass, maple leaf, Monkeys wrench

Bear paw, bird of paradise, Bowties, basket, butterfly, Brunswick star, Birds in the Air, bouquet, broken dishes, basket

Eight hands around, English flower garden, End of Day

Rail fence, rectangle heart, ribbons, Red cross, road to Oklahoma

The winners were:

Read the Sentence – Christine Bell

Spot the Difference – Marjorie Skinner

December – Pina Wall

January's Game

I have a fat quarter bundle for the 3rd person to email me a list of quilting terms using the letters in the word "Quilting". The terms must begin with the letters in quilting. For example: For "Q" it could be quarter inch foot.

2022 Quilt Alongs

I know some of you are wondering what projects you will start this year. Are you interested in quilt alongs? Besides the QAL being offered by Tara, here are a few I found for you.

<http://www.bordercreekstation.com/>

<https://faithandfabricdesign.com/2021/12/2022-quilt-along-and-sew-along-list.html>

<https://blog.fatquartershop.com/2022-heartfelt-quilt-along/>

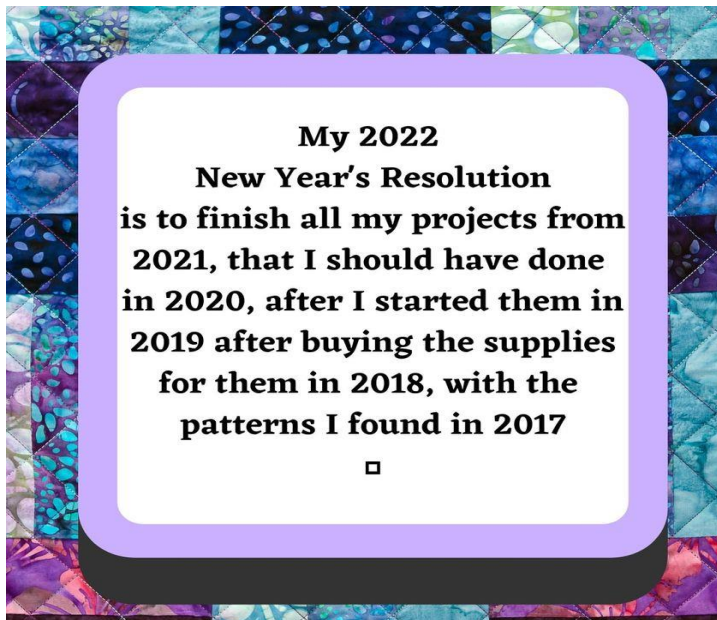
<https://christaquilts.com/2021/12/02/blooming-wallflowers-quilt-along-starts-in-january-2022/>

Free Patterns

This website offers a few free patterns. They look like they are jelly roll friendly.

<https://christaquilts.com/freepattern/>

Your laugh for this month:



Newsletter Submissions

Here are the deadline dates for this year.

Meeting Date	Deadline	Distribution
February 7, 2022	January 29, 2022	February 3, 2022
March 7, 2022	February 26, 2022	March 3, 2022
April 4, 2022	March 26, 2022	March 31, 2022
May 2, 2022	April 23, 2022	April 28, 2022
June 6, 2022	May 28, 2022	June 2, 2022