



Mahone Bay Quilters Guild
piecemakers
 by the sea

September 2017 News Letter

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Note the addition of e-mail addresses of the executive for your easier communication to the appropriate person in the event of a query/problem/idea, etc.

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Comment

Back to quilting meetings. Here's hoping this was a great summer so you can come back with vigour. Workshops, programs and an exchange and the 2018 Quilt Show are all on the agenda.

Quote

be fearless in
 the pursuit of
 what sets your
 soul on fire.

From Pinterest

Submissions to the Newsletter

The newsletter is sent out the Monday one week before the regular meeting. Submissions for the newsletter at the latest must be received the Sunday. For example, our meeting is Sept. 11 this month. The newsletter will go out on September 4th. So, submissions will have to be received by September 3rd to be included. Note that files should be provided in an editable format. PDF files are not. Thank you.

Here are some hyperlinks to let you jump around the newsletter.

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Special News

“The Guild has received donations of fabrics, books, patterns, a sewing machine and notions from a former Guild member and another quilter who is not a member but is no longer able to quilt. She wanted her quilting supplies to be used and enjoyed by other quilters. Everything we have received is really good quality.

We are having a “bargain basement” sale on Monday September 11, starting at 4pm in Trinity United Church Hall. We are hoping members will come before the meeting to shop! Don’t wait till the meeting, it may be too late! Everything **MUST** go!

- *Please bring cash (small denominations please!) or a cheque.
- *Please bring a bag to put your purchases in.

Some things we have for sale -

- *a brand new double/queen size white wholecloth quilt top (marked and ready to be quilted)
- *a very sturdy “workhorse” Singer sewing machine probably from the 1960’s – 70’s (includes attachments and manual), in good working order
- *100% cotton (quilt store quality) yardage in lengths of over 1m and quite a bit that is under 1m
- *scrap bags
- *patterns
- *partially finished projects (some beautiful applique) which would not take much work to finish
- *Books – some really wonderful classic quilt books from authors such as Jinny Beyer and Roberta Horton
- *notions – thread, scissors, rotary cutter and mat

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Everything is priced to sell! Some fabrics we will ask you to make an offer!”

Volunteer Additions

Donna Veinot has volunteered to do Cuddle Quilt.

Rose Lesage has volunteered to head Programs.

Thank you ladies.

Minutes

Minutes will reappear in the October newsletter.

Workshop News

September 2017

Welcome back to another exciting year of quilting and friendships. We hope you participate in one or more of our workshops. Here’s what we’ve planned for the fall.

September 23, 9 am to 4 pm: Skills Day at Trinity United Church Hall; fee \$10 for the day Register at the September meeting or by email: debbiebreeze@eastlink.ca

To start the quilting year, we’ve planned a Skills Day for all members. Here’s how it will work: 4 instructors will provide demonstrations and basic instruction on a skill or technique. You can complete a sample or take pictures with your phone or camera. Attend one demo or all of them. Participants are invited to stay as long as they like to work on the samples and name tags. Bring your sewing machine and some fabrics to practice the skills with some guidance. A supply list will be available at the September meeting.

Schedule

9:30 a.m. Paper-piecing with Debbie Breeze
Learn the technique with some practice blocks and / or make the guild name tag. Patterns for the name tag will be available.

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11:00 a.m. Quilt-as-you-go with Bev Drysdale
Make a hot mat for your kitchen counter to practice the quilt-as-you-go technique. Bev will also show how to join quilted blocks using sashing.

1:00 p.m. Applique by hand with Linda Finley
Stitch a small applique block using a simple shape. A machine is not needed.

2:30 p.m. Finishing techniques with Pam Wells
Learn how to square a quilt, measure for borders, sew mitered and butted corners, and join ends once the binding is attached. Pam will share some suggestions for borders and show how to attach a binding with mitered corners.

October 27 & 28, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Karen Miller's Tree Bark with Winged Insect
Register with payment at the September meeting. There are still 4 vacant spots as of August 31.

2 day workshop \$55, kit fee for each day - TBD

Trinity United Church Hall

Day 1 - Pleating, hand stitching, then over-felting will form the tree. Adding embellishments of texture, colours and linear movement will create a great piece that will appear to be a slice of a tree trunk. It's a manageable size to allow you to complete it that day. If time allows, and you are inclined, you can bind the edges by machine. Karen will supply information on making a base that supports the work, either free-standing or on a wall, for you to take home.

Day 2 - Either a life-size moth or butterfly. The insect will be a combination of layering fabrics to obtain a natural look, fusing, machine stitching (either free motion or following wing veins) as well as a body which is stuffed and stitched by hand before attaching the wings. It will attach to the bark by stitching or Velcro.

From Karen: My goal is for you to enjoy the experience of creating something totally different and to stretch yourself to make it yours. No two will be the same!

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November 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Christmas workshop with Marjorie Skinner
Trinity United Church Hall

Remember Marjorie's fabulous trunk show and her Christmas ornaments displayed at the Welcome Centre during the holiday festival last year? We've had many requests for a workshop on a Christmas theme, and Marjorie has agreed to teach one of her favourites. Watch for details at the fall meetings and in the newsletter.

From the workshop committee: we appreciate hearing your suggestions and are planning more workshops for the spring. Keep the ideas coming!
Mary Gray: graymary007@gmail.com
Marjorie Skinner: michaelskinner537@gmail.com
Debbie Breeze: debbiebreeze@eastlink.ca



Quilt Show – 2018

Some news over the summer. We have been fortunate to have a new member of the show committee; Mary Elizabeth O'Toole is taking over advertising. Mary Elizabeth is experienced in this area and had already been working with Krista Garber over the summer. Welcome Mary Elizabeth.

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Challenge quilts.

The following was sent out by the sub-committee for the challenge quilts. Be prepared to vote on September 11 for one of the following options. Kits will be available at the October meeting.

Option #1

“IT’S NOT JUST BLACK AND WHITE” –

Participants will receive five black and white print fabrics ranging in value from very dark to very light. The finished item must include a recognizable piece of at least four of the challenge fabrics (in other words, you may omit one of the fabrics) and at least one identifiable piece of colour. Participants may add up to three fabrics of their choice.

Option #2

“GOING IN CIRCLES” – Participants will receive five fabrics in various colours and values. The finished item must include at least one circular motif. Participants may omit one of the provided fabrics, and add up to three of their own choices.

Work is proceeding on the tickets and the photo for the raffle quilt. Thanks Daphne and Bev.

In addition our new member Mary Elizabeth and Krista Garber who are responsible for advertising have this request. *The Quilt Show Marketing Committee is seeking 2-3 members to help with promotional communications and distribution of flyers ideas among other things for our 2018 Quilt Show. We'll do most of our early communication by email but will meet about every two months until the spring. Through the spring and summer, we'll meet monthly and frequency of meetings will increase as we get closer to the show. Join the fun to help promote this popular event and important guild fundraiser. Contact Mary Elizabeth O'Toole (meotoole@memorycraft.ca) or Krista Garber (kristagarber@mail.com). Please consider the talent you can bring to this show to make it very special.*

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The next meeting of the Quilt Guild meeting as whole will be before the October meeting. Notices will be sent out before the meeting.

Countdown of 12 months to go until our 2018 show takes place.

Pin Cushion Swap

From Rose Lesage who will be chairing our program committee. As the title says, there will be a swap of pincushions. Sign up is at the September meeting but you can also contact Rose at cybera13@hotmail.com.

The exchange will take place at the December meeting where participants names will be chosen at random. Rose has provided the following links on making pin cushions.

There are lots of free patterns available and lots of examples to get ideas. Lots are on Pinterest. Here are a few links.

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/238690848983673991/>

<http://thesewingloftblog.com/pincushion-patterns/>

<https://www.craftsy.com/blog/2013/10/pincushion-patterns/>

What a great idea for a gift for someone as well as a nice keepsake for yourself.

Library News

For a list of the books in the library please use this link.

<http://www.mahonebayquiltersguild.com/mbgg-library-books-list.html>

For a list of the special rulers available to the members for check out use this link.

<http://www.mahonebayquiltersguild.com/mbgg-ruler-library-list.html>

<http://quilttheatlantic.ca/index.php/category/quilt-shows>

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Quilt Shows

This site has a list of the quilt shows coming up in Nova Scotia and below is an interesting site for planning to catch shows in North America

<http://quilterstravelcompanion.com/>

June, 2017 – Thru October

Art Hits the Wall will be on display at the Hooked Rug Museum in Hubbards

<http://www.hookedruggmuseumnovascotia.org/>

The museum is open daily starting June 1.

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September 14th, 15th & 16th, 2017 - **Kennebecasis Valley Quilters Guild** - 37th Annual Quilt Show and Sale - Island View Lions Centre, 9 Market Street, (Exit 141 OFF Highway 1) Quispamsis, NB Thursday - Noon - 8pm Friday - 10am - 8pm and Saturday - 10am - 4pm Vendors Mall This year's Theme is "Down by the Bay" 150 Years of Quilting

Many of you are travellers and if you go out west here are some quilt shows. These are courtesy of Quilters Connection Magazine. www.quiltersconnection.ca

ALBERTA

September 29-30

Bow River Quilters' Show and Sale - Bow River Quilters
Triwood Community Hall
2244 Chicoutimi Dr. N.W.
Calgary, AB
Hours: 10-4
Admission: \$8 (children under 12 free)

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2017 Quilt Show - Mountain Cabin Quilters Guild
Canmore Recreation Centre
Canmore, AB
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4
Admission: Adults \$8; Students \$5; Children 5 & under free
www.mountaincabinquilters.ca

September 30

Celebrating Canada Quilt Show - Calgary Silver Thimbles Quilt Guild
Foothills Menmonite Church
2115, Urbana Rd NW
Calgary, AB
Hours: 10-4
Admission: \$5

BRITISH COLUMBIA

September 23-24

Binding Canada Together One Quilt At A Time - Orchard Valley Quilt Guild
4409 Lakeshore Rd
Kelowna, BC
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4
Admission: \$5
www.kelownaquilts.com

September 29-30

Celebrating 150 Years of Canadian Quilting - Kootenay Quilters Guild
Prestige Lakeside Resort
701 Lakeside Drive
Nelson, BC
Hours: Fri Noon-6; Sat 9-4
Admission: \$5

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Falling into Quilts II - Hope Quilters
560 Douglas St.
Hope, BC
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4
Admission: \$3, Men FREE!

September 30-October 1

Stitches in Fall - Kamloops Sagebrush Quilter's Guild
North Shore Community Centre
730 Cottonwood Ave.
Kamloops, BC
Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-4
Admission: \$5
www.sagebrushquiltersguild.ca

ONTARIO

September 16-17

2017 Harvest of Quilts Show and Sale - Settlers' Village Quilters
Bobcaygeon Curling Club
49 Mansfield Street
Bobcaygeon, ON
Hours: 10-5
Admission: \$5
www.settlersvillagequilters.ca

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YUKON

To December 31, 2017
 Threads of Our Yukon River - Klucane Quilter's Guild/Yukon Transportation Museum
 Yukon Transportation Museum
 30 Electra Crescent (next to the Whitehorse Intl Airport)
 Whitehorse, YT (next to Alaska)
 Hours: Sundays and Mondays 12-5
 Admission: \$10 Adults, \$8 Seniors, Group Rates Available
www.goYTM.ca

Interesting Things

This item from Barb Robson and an important one.

A great tutorial/information about adding borders so that your quilt won't have wavy edges or puckered seams.

<https://frommycarolinahome.wordpress.com/2014/02/09/quilt-borders-tutorial-understanding-the-why/>

To start the new quilting season, an Amish style quilt with scrappy patches. Easy way to slip into quilting and to get rid of scraps.

<https://www.quiltedtwins.com/free-patterns-1/scrappy-meets-amish>

This one is a colour wheel block. Not what you would expect but very nice.

<http://www.dontcallmebetsy.com/2012/03/patchwork-wheel-block-tutorial.html>

Not your usual bear paw block. Very colourful.

<https://terrisnotebook.com/2015/03/03/sew-sisters-quilting-bee-march-block/>

Unexpected with fall coming but a beautiful soft quilt combining two quilting techniques.

<http://fortworthfabricstudio.blogspot.ca/2015/03/spring-in-ambleside-quilt.html>

Explosion of colour is what this one is. Giant flying geese. <http://www.bonjourquilts.com/colour-explosion-quilt-tutorial/>

Simplicity, colour, oriental feel.

<https://www.favequilts.com/Spring-Quilts/Hoshis-Garden-Quilt-Pattern>

A throw made of only 5 fat quarters. Preppy is how it is described.

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<http://www.abrightcorner.com/2017/08/five-fat-quarter-fun-preppy-quilt.html>

A mini Dresden quilt. Really cute.

<http://www.flamingotoes.com/2017/06/cherry-dresdens-mini-quilt/>

Want a child's quilt. Using novelty fabrics create an I Spy quilt for a child.

<http://thecraftymummy.com/2012/10/i-spy-quilt-tutorial/>

Seasonal table runner but not what you would expect.

<http://www.handmadeintheheartland.com/2014/09/quilted-apple-table-runner.html>

This is a very different quilt block. Made with charm squares. Who does not finger those stacks of charm squares and wonder what to make with them.

<http://quiltingintherain.com/2011/11/stellar-block.html>

Remember Through the Looking Glass. This is great with charm squares.

<http://letsquiltsomething.blogspot.ca/2016/05/threw-looking-glass-free-quilt-patterns.html>

This is called a Calming Quilt and when you see it you will understand. Simplicity, quiet colours.

http://www.dsquilts.com/fabric_and_patterns.asp?PageID=265

Something a bit different. A tutorial on quilting a seasonal theme. It is pumpkin time.

<http://theinboxjaunt.com/2014/10/21/grid-pop-a-free-motion-quilt-tutorial/>

Combine hexies and hooks and modern and you get this quilt. Very pretty.

<http://filminthefridge.com/2013/06/17/hooked-hexagons-a-block-tutorial/>

If you cannot find a fall quilt following this link, it would be surprising. Some beauties.

<https://www.favequilts.com/Fall-Quilts/Quilts-in-Fall-Colors#section32193770>

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Commented [NM1]:

This is so pretty. It is made from Moda cuts but you could substitute your own fabric. It is called a Daisy Chain quilt just right for that special granddaughter.
<http://www.modabakeshop.com/2013/07/mimis-daisy-chains-quilted-throw.html>

Made in an evening? That is what it says. Looks good for scraps. <http://cluckclucksew.com/2012/06/tutorial-squares-and-strips-bed-quilt.html>

A Happy Birthday Quilt Block. What fun to make into a simple quilt and have it be special.
<http://www.taylormadecreates.com/2014/07/happy-birthday-quilt-block.html>

That is it for this month. You can ease into the quilt year with these patterns.