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President's Message

Welcome!

I think many of us are still recovering from our very successful Quilt Show last weekend! On behalf of the Guild, I'd like to thank all the many, volunteers who made the show possible, with special thanks to the folks who came out for hanging the quilts and taking them down, Jill and her team at the Boutique, Annette, Barb and Cheryl for intake, Johanna and the Challenge Quilts, Pina and the Raffle Quilt team, Rita and Kristina for the historical exhibit and Donna for chairing the whole darned thing.

It was wonderful to see just a few of the beautiful quilts our members have been working on over the last two years. As Quilt Show Chairman Donna Egan said at the prize giving on Sunday our congratulations go out not only to the winners of the big prizes, but to every member who shared their work with our community. It was an impressive and varied show!

This underscores one of the immense strengths of this Guild. We have a rare depth of talent, skill, creativity and experience among our members, and in the months to come we're going to do everything we can to celebrate these talented creators and learn from them.

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Next Meeting

Our next meeting is **October 7, 2024 @ 7:00pm**.
Doors open at 6:30pm. It will be in-person only
at the Trinity United Church.
*see page 8 for further information

For Information on Slow Quilting, Sew Zoom and
other Guild Activities check out our Website
Calendar:
<https://mahonebayquiltersguild.com/events/>

As we all worked our jobs during the show, I was also struck by how important it is for our members to be able to meet each other in person. I joined during COVID, (and I'm an introvert anyway) so I'm still moved by the deep connections we can make when we're sitting with each other, chatting at an event, or working towards a common goal. I'm touched by all the reasons we have to quilt, and how nervous so many of us are about aspects of quilting, especially those of us new to the craft. Even a short discussion can help us encourage and lift each other up, and since I think we'll have a number of new members coming out of the Quilt Show, I hope we can make that kind of encouragement and connection one of our main goals as a Guild.

And to that end, as I mentioned last month, we're going to start a discussion about expanding the ways we can all participate in our Guild. To facilitate this discussion, I've created an online form where you can share your thoughts and interests. I'll also have hard copies at the October meeting. As always, if anyone is uncomfortable with all this online stuff, you can just email me and I'll make sure your suggestions are recorded. I never want technology to get in the way of connection.

[Participation Survey – Mahone Bay Quilters' Guild](https://mahonebayquiltersguild.com)
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Our October meeting will be Monday October 7. Doors open at 6:30 and the meeting runs from 7 to 9 pm. We'll also have our regular Fat Quarter draw and Sew and Tell.

I hope to see you at the October meeting!

Nina

Volunteers needed

It takes a village of quilters to run a quilt, and we need to expand our volunteer base to keep things going!

BLOG POSTS — we're looking for someone (or a few someones, or a different someone each month) to write some blog posts for the web site. You don't need technical know-how (although if you have some, that's great!) We're just looking for a few snaps and a description of the monthly meetings or a

shopping trip or a workshop. Would you be willing to write about one upcoming event? It would really help the Guild out

PROGRAMS — Our programs chair Janet Joyce will be heading south after Christmas, so we're looking for help organizing and running the monthly program at our meetings. We have lots of ideas for presenters for the New Year and would also be open to having a member take charge of just one month's program at a time — making contact with the presenter, introducing the presenter at the meeting and so forth. Would you help? It's a great way to get to know people and makes a significant contribution to the group.

Email ninascottstoddart@gmail.com

Nina Scott-Stoddart, President

Program

Heidi Wulfraat will be speaking to us at the meeting this month. She is the owner of HW Woolworks ([92 Keddy Bridge Road, Mahone Bay](#)). Since she is so close, (just up the street from the church) she has offered to keep her shop open until 5:45 that day for the Guild members. Anyone who can come by before the October 7th meeting can have a browse around, and she'll be offering **a 10% discount on all yarns and fabrics!** Names will be added to a **gift basket draw** with every purchase, and she will draw for a winner at the meeting!

Miles of Pillowcase Smiles Project

The nine bolts of donated fabric have been cut and will be assembled into kits which will be available for you to pick up at the meeting on October 7. You can sew them up at your leisure, OR - for much more fun, you can join in to the **Zoom Pillowcase Day** which will be held on **Saturday, October 19th**, from 10 - 4. Join for as much time as you wish! A Zoom link and reminder will be sent out a couple of days before the event. Hope to see you then!

Janet Joyce, Program Chair

Library

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the World of Colour Quilt Show last weekend. It was a fantastic event. Lots of 'eye candy' for sure. Now you must get busy for our next show in two years time. Do you have something in mind or are you just contemplating an idea? Whatever the case, our library has lots of books with hundreds of patterns for consideration.

I have one new book that was donated by a member at last month's meeting. It is **Make It, Take It** by Krista Hennebury, a Canadian quilter living in Vancouver. "Twelve expert designers share their inspiring ideas for sewers on the go". These ideas include making equipment totes, needle case, crafter's apron, sewing machine mat, quilts, place mats, a pillow and table runner.

The ideas in this book just might inspire you to create something for the next quilt boutique or make a quilt or wall hanging to put in the show. Or something just for you!

The latest **Quilt Canada** magazine arrived today – lots of beautiful quilts from Quilt Canada 2024 are in this issue.

Remember to return books each month in case someone is looking for it. If no one wants it by the end of the night, you may sign it out again.

Please wear your name tag.

See you next Monday

Judy Cooper, Guild Librarian

Workshops

Introduction to Wonderfil Threads with Nadine Stevens

In this workshop, Nadine will spend the morning talking about threads for piecing, quilting, decorative stitching, thread painting, etc. After a quick lunch, participants will use their purchased thread kit to try them out on a small take away project.

When:	Saturday October 26, 2024
Time:	10 – 3
Where	Trinity United Church, Mahone Bay
Class Fee:	\$40 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• pay by cash, or• cheque payable to Mahone Bay Quilters Guild or• e-transfer to mbqgtreasurer@gmail.com with Oct 26 workshop in your note
Kit Fee:	\$12 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pay by cash or• e-transfer to josiwall1959@gmail.com with thread kit in your note
Sign Up/Register	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• At our next meeting on Monday, October 7th or• email at workshop@mahonebayquiltersguild.com .• Last day to register is Wednesday, October 23rd
Lunch	Bring your own. Keurig coffee/tea will be available for \$1.
Supply List:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• sewing machine in good working condition with a few decorative stitches in addition to your straight and zig zag stitches.• Extension cord• basic sewing kit: scissors, extra empty bobbins, etc• #90 top stitch needle

Josie(Pina) Wall, Workshop Chair

Meeting Reminders

Meeting is at Trinity United Church hall, Mahone Bay:

- Doors open at 6:30 pm, meeting begins at 7:00 pm
- Wear a name tag, please
- Meetings are scent free
- Please return any library books you have taken out
- Christmas (both prints and red or green solids and blenders) fat quarter(s) for draw

Sheena Gibbs, Newsletter Chair