

PRICKLY FINGERS QUILTERS GUILD

SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Lou Ann Martin, President

Fall is in the air! These cooler temperatures are wonderful for enjoying the outdoors while taking a break from our favorite pass-time - quilting! Please continue to remember our friend *Kathy Koon* in your thoughts and prayers as she recovers from her recent fall. *Kim Price* and *Anne Medlin* will have items available for sale before our September meeting with proceeds to support QOV.

I'm looking for a few volunteers to help with the **Christmas Star** program I'm teaching in October. I would to explain the process to 3-4 people after this month's meeting, so there will be folks available to be "small group" leaders for the workshop in October. If you're interested in helping, please let me know before this month's meeting and plan to stay for about 30 minutes afterward for instructions.

Don't forget about the two retreats in October! Lots of fall fun ahead. Happy sewing to all!

This Month's Meeting & Workshop

Meeting time: Sept. 10th at 9:30am ~ 2nd Wednesday each month. Welcome presentation by *Joyce Walton*, a graduate of Moore College of Art & Design in Philadelphia, PA with a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in illustration and design. Joyce has been sewing and quilting for 30 years and has been teaching art and quilting classes for the past 10 years throughout the southeast. She enjoys creating her own quilt designs and is inspired by nature, color, and of course, fabric. Joyce works in all quilt mediums, including machine and hand piecing, appliqué', painting on fabric, hand and machine quilting, and much more. She also has a special love for surface embellishment and hand embroidery. Truly an inspiration!

Workshop time: Tues., Sept. 9 and Wed., Sept. 10, "Watercolor Florals" - Joyce Walton will lead a two-day six hour workshop to learn how to paint on fabric with water-soluble artists' crayons to achieve realistic looking flowers and botanicals. After the painting is completed, border treatments will be explored along with free motion thread painting tips. No previous art background is necessary. A kit fee of \$8 is required the day of class, which includes PFD muslin, fabric medium, botanical drawings and photographs. Register at the meeting and learn how to incorporate watercolor paintings into your quilt designs for a unique expression of color! Tuition: \$25; Supply list included.









Upcoming Programs & Events

- Oct. 8: Christmas Star Ornaments with Lou Ann Martin. Learn how to make these hand-folded treasures no sewing! Just in time to get you in the holiday spirit!
- Oct. 20-24: Guild Retreat in Black Mountain, NC. Bring your own projects to work on while enjoying the company of fellow quilters. Contact *Linda Reeves* for more information.
- Oct. 23-26: QSC Pieceable Retreat in Myrtle Beach. Classes are offered along with space to work on your own projects with friends. Contact Lou Ann Martin for more information.
- Nov. 12: Carolyn Ratola has been teaching classes for 15+ years at local quilt shops and quilt guilds in Nevada, Ohio, North and South Carolina. She is a certified instructor with Deb Tucker's Studio 180 Design in 2016, is published in 100 Quilt Blocks magazine, and has designed some of her own creations. Today's workshop Carolyn teaches Star 60 Cubed, a 3-D design that plays tricks on the eye. Tuition: \$20, plus \$5 kit fee. Supply list provided with registration.



Remember: Programs are open to the public. Please help spread the word, so our instructors will have a full class. For more information on programs and to register in advance, please contact Dona Haun.

2026 Quilt Show Volunteer Opportunities



Please consider helping on one of the committees. Your time is valuable and you will be doing important work toward the success of our largest fundraising event. The biennial quilt show need all hands on deck! Contact *Kathy Koon* or *Linda Reeves* to volunteer.

Philanthropy News

Join us for a morning of sewing fun to work on philanthropy projects.



Sew Inn





When? Every Wednesday 9:30-Noon, (except guild meeting day). What do we do? Sew with your friends or pick up supplies to make 3 yard quilts, Christmas stockings, tote bags and more for local charities. Kits are available at PFQG monthly meetings, too.

Contact *Stamie Cline*, Philanthropy Chair, for more info on how you can contribute or visit the website, <u>andersonscquilters.org</u>. Thank you sew much!





Have you moved?

Please be sure to update your contact info. Fill out a Membership forms from the website & bring it to the next meeting.



Please send newsletter submissions by the 25 $^{\rm th}$ of the month to christine.drais@gmail.com



