Your Monthly Link to **LNCQ**

# LNCQ Life

# November 2026

## What's Coming Up with LNCQ

***Registration or Sign Up Currently Open**

12/7/26 1:30 PM LNCQ Holiday Party and Silent Auction

### Mark Your Calendars for 2027

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| 1/4/27 | 9:00 AM Workshop "Creative Convergence: Fun with 4 Fat Quarters" Led by Joan Fulton<br><br>6:00 PM LNCQ General Meeting and Program Speaker is Denise Labadie on "Stone Portraits and Stonescapes" |
| 1/11/27 – 1/12/27 | LNCQ In-Town Retreat at the Best Western |

**Registrations for 2027 Events Opening Soon – Check the website**



## *Welcome New Members!*

A warm welcome to members who joined in October: Robin Beattie, Sidney Greene, Laurel Deery, Christian Foster, Anne Severn, Paula Straw, and Janice Johner. We look forward to getting to know you!

## Joan's Journal

***letter from the president >>>***



*Joan Fulton, 2026 LNCQ President*

As we approach Thanksgiving, I find myself thinking about how much we have to be thankful for. This is a great time to pause, look around, and appreciate the people and experiences that make our lives richer. As quilters, I think we have a special reason to be grateful.

I am thankful for the friendships that have grown through LNCQ, for the laughter shared around our sewing machines, and for the inspiration we find in one another's creativity. Every meeting, workshop, retreat, and Show and Tell reminds me that quilting is about so much more than fabric and thread. It is about sharing ideas, learning from one another, encouraging each other, and building friendships that extend well beyond our quilts.

I also want to thank each of you for the enthusiasm and willingness to try something new that you bring to LNCQ. We are fortunate to have members with so many different talents, interests, and levels of experience.

As we gather with family and friends this Thanksgiving, I hope you will take a moment to appreciate the blessings in your life. And when you sit down at your sewing machine, remember that every quilt we make is an opportunity to share a little warmth, comfort, and love with someone else.

I am truly thankful to be part of this wonderful quilting community. Thank you for making LNCQ such a special place!
Wishing you and your families a very happy Thanksgiving,

# Programs/Workshops

## November 3, 2026 Meeting Recap

The November 2026 LNCQ  workshop/meeting was all about silk. Ten LNCQ members signed up for a fun and educational workshop in the morning led by Susan DuBois. We learned how silk fibers can fuse together and then put it into practice.  Each member created a beautiful piece of silk fusion each with its own unique colors and textures.



Over 60 members joined the general meeting in the afternoon. Susan DuBois from Treenway Silks presented the lecture for the general meeting.  We learned about silk – from the silk worms to the beautiful packages of silk ribbon for ribbon embroidery.

During the Business meeting we welcomed new members, were updated on the many activities of LNCQ and enjoyed Show and Tell.

Programs/Workshops



# Holiday Party/Silent Auction

## December 7, 2026 at 1:30 PM



## Bring a Friend







- No need to bring anything; NO CHARGE – JUST COME

- We will have a return of the **Royal Retreat** – Now a highly sought-after item so get your group ready to bid!

- December 7 will be a **FUN** event with the side benefit of raising funds for LNCQ programming!

- A wide selection of gift items covering all price ranges

- A perfect opportunity to "shop" for your quilting friends – we have lots of great kits and quilting supplies

- Check the LNCQ website soon for a link to the catalog

**OPEN to Members and Non-Members**

www.LNCQ.org

# Programs/Workshops

**January 4, 2027**

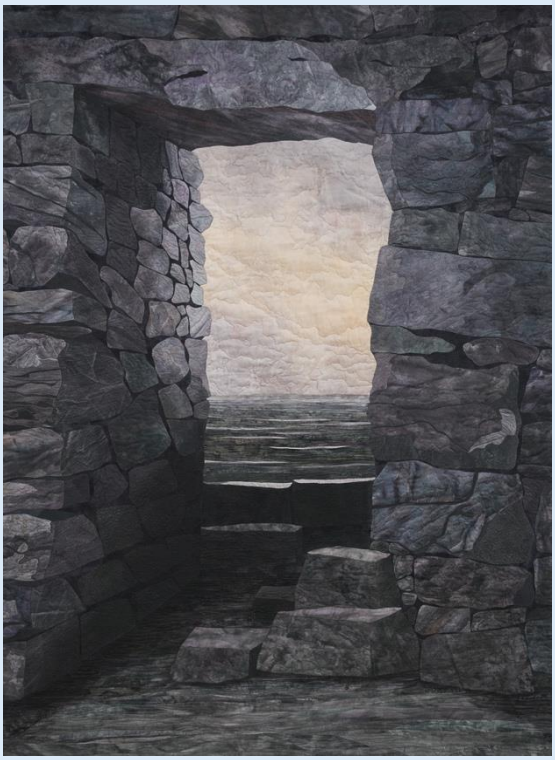
## 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM Workshop
## "Creative Convergence:  Fun with 4 Fat Quarters"
## Led by  Joan Fulton



Start 2027 with a fun workshop using the convergence technique which was created and popularized by Ricky Tims. Joan will walk you through fabric selection for the greatest impact, construction of the convergence and then finishing your quilt with borders and/or embellishments

Click here to Register

## 6:00 PM LNCQ General Meeting
## Speaker is Denise Labadie on
## "Stone Portraits & Stonescapes"



Denise makes contemporary art quilt portraits of very non-contemporary structures: megalithic Celtic stones and monoliths – think Stonehenge – and more recent (but still centuries old) monastic ruins.

# Programs/Workshops



February 1, 2027

9:00 AM Workshop by David Taylor

1:30 PM Pat West

Pat West has always been captivated by detail, especially in the natural world. Her years living in diverse climates sharpened her eye for subtle shifts in color, form, and texture. Her quilts often carry a gentle Asian influence — simple lines, soft palettes, and a peaceful aesthetic she connects with instinctively. In recent years, her work has grown more personal, frequently inspired by her own travel photographs.

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**Upcoming Meeting Dates**

**December. 7, 2026 – 1:30 PM Holiday Party and Silent Auction**

**January 4, 2027 – 6:00 PM**
**February 1, 2027 – 1:30 PM**
**March 1, 2027 – 6:00 PM**
**April 5, 2027 – 6:00 PM**
**May 3, 2027 - 1:30 PM**

**June 7, 2027 – 6:00 PM**
**August 2, 2027 – 1:30 PM**
**September 13, 2027 – 6:00 PM**
**October 4, 2027 – 6:00 PM**
**November 1, 2027 – 1:30 PM**
**December 6, 2027 – 1:30 PM**

**All Meetings at Best Western in Loveland**

# Retreats

## In Town Retreat
## January 11 - 12, 2027
## Monday – Tuesday
## 2 Days of Quilting Fun



Please join us for two days of quilting fun and chatting with friends Monday and Tuesday, January 11 and 12.

As with the past two in-town retreats there will be an option to buy a box lunch and join your fellow quilters in the Best Western lobby on Tuesday the 12th.

Registration is $85

Your Hosts will be Kaea Beresford, Sheree Cook and Charlotte Cox



Click here to Sign Up for In-Town Retreat

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# Retreats

## Mark Your Calendars for 2027!



We are excited about our 2027 Retreats

**January 11 and 12, 2027**
In Town Retreat at Best Western
Hosted by Kaea Beresford, Sheree Cook and Charlotte Cox



**April 26 – 29, 2027**
Away Retreat at YMCA of the Rockies
Hosted by Beth Soderquist



**June 14 and 15, 2027**
In Town Retreat at Best Western



**November 2 – 5, 2027**
Away Retreat at YMCA of the Rockies
Hosted by Carol Mancuso

Watch for more details and where to sign up for these retreats. If you would like to help with retreats contact Retreat.Coordinator.LNCQ1996@gmail.com. We can always use Help!

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# Special Projects



## 2026 Block of the Month Challenge: Bijou Wonder

We're thrilled to offer the 2026 Block of the Month (BOM) challenge, *Bijou Wonder*. In honor of LNCQ's 30th Anniversary, there is NO FEE to participate. Everyone is welcome and *you can join at any time*. You'll receive a new block pattern by email on the 15th of each month through December 2026.

Ready to join us? Click **here** to sign up and be part of our 2026 Bijou Wonder Block of the Month challenge. Contact Crystal Wentz at **1st.Vice.President.LNCQ1996@gmail.com** with any questions.

Finished *Bijou Wonder* quilts will be revealed at the February 2027 meeting.

## The Quilted Forest

The Quilted Forest exhibit is taking shape beautifully! Just before our October meeting, members brought in their Quilted Forest quilts to be reviewed and photographed. The pieces showcase a wonderful variety of quilting styles, and it's exciting to see them come together. The next firm deadline for Quilted Forest participants is May 2027, when completed quilts are due. We look forward to seeing all the beautiful quilts fully completed!

# Committee Reports

## Renew Your Membership

It's that time of the year - time to renew your membership. **Renewals for 2027 are now open**. Tell your friends - New members who join after October 1 receive membership benefits for the rest of 2026 and all of 2027 (a bonus for signing up early!)

Click here to renew your membership.

## Community Service Roundup!

In October, LNCQ donated 9 quilts to CASA. This past year, LNCQ has donated over 104 quilts (not including Christmas tree skirts) to these agencies:

Life Stories/CASA,
McKee Infusion,
Meals on Wheels,
High Plains Housing,
Banner NICU,
MCR Palliative Care,
Realities for Children,
Riverbend Nursing Home,
Fire victims in Allenspark,
Alternatives to Violence.

In addition, there are many members who donate quilts to other agencies outside of those listed above. Thanks for all who donate their time, talent and supplies to maintain our giving presence in the Northern Colorado community.

Completed Christmas Tree skirts will be shared with Realities for Children before the end of this month.

For more information or questions, contact Betty Ann Eash at **community.service.lncq1996@gmail.com.**

# Committee Reports

## Postcard Requests

One function of LNCQ is showing caring concern for guild members going through difficult times.

Please send requests to Eileen Maelzer to request a quilted postcard of encouragement to be sent to a LNCQ member and it will be mailed. Thanks to all the LNCQ members who have hand-made these quilted postcards. They are very special. Send your request to: **joanmaelzer@gmail.com**

## For Sale by Members

If you are looking for great deals on quilting tools and machines or have something to sell you might want to check out the

**For Sale by Members** section of the LNCQ website.

This service connects members but does not constitute an endorsement of the items for sale.

# From the Colorado Quilting Council

## Holiday Luncheon

Time & Location
Dec 05, 2026, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
St. Philip Lutheran Church, 7531 S Kendall Blvd, Littleton, CO 80128, USA
About the event
**Join Us for the CQC Holiday Luncheon!** 🎄

Celebrate the season with your quilting friends at CQC's annual Holiday Luncheon on **Saturday, December 5 at 1:00 p.m.**, right after the general meeting! Tickets are **$25** and available through **November 30 at:**

https://www.coloradoquiltingcouncil.com/event-details/luncheon

Lunch includes pork and chicken, two sides, and a salad, and the sides and salad make a hearty vegetarian option.

# Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum
# Current Exhibitions

**Community presented by Denver Metro Modern Quilt Guild**
The Denver Metro MQG is a vibrant community of quilters who love exploring modern design, building skills, and connecting with others who share a passion for creativity. The exhibit is a celebration of togetherness, centered entirely around the theme of **community**. Each piece on display breathes life into this concept - whether it explores what it means to be part of a collective whole, was created by multiple members of the community, or was brought to life through their shared help.

**Crazy for Quilting | Rita Meyerhoff Solo Exhibit**
A self-taught sewer and crafter since childhood, Rita Meyerhoff discovered her passion for quilting in 1993 with her first sampler block quilt. Since then, she has mastered a wide variety of stitching techniques, specializing in Crazy Quilting and longarm free-motion quilting, which she also channels into her business, Heaven's Quilts LLC. An award-winning artist and dedicated volunteer, Rita actively supports the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum through fundraising, teaching, and serving on both the installation and collection committees. Experience the full scope of her talent and dedication in this special solo exhibition.

