Quilters Guild of the Southern Crescent

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November		
Tues 11/10	***Board Meeting*** **7:00pm – 8:00pm**	***ZOOM*** ***Incoming and outgoing members***
Thurs 11/12	***Guild Meeting*** **6:30pm Social Time** **7:00pm - 8:30pm** ***Evening Meeting***	***Holiday Make and Take*** ***Modern block of the quarter #4 due***
Fri 11/13	***Guild Meeting*** **1:00pm Social Time** **1:30pm – 3:00pm** ***Day Meeting***	***How to Read a Quilt*** - Tara Miller [quiltdistrict.com] ***Modern block of the quarter #4 due***
Tues 11/17	***Book Club*** **12:00pm – 2:00pm**	***Daughters of the Sun and Moon by Lisa See***
Fri 11/20	***Newsletter Articles are due!*** ***Email to: ggscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com***	
December		
Sat 12/5	***Annual Holiday Party***	***11:30am – 3:00pm*** ***See page 2 for the details***
Tues 12/8	***Board Meeting*** **7:00pm – 8:00pm**	***ZOOM***
Sun 12/20	***Newsletter Articles are due!*** ***Email to: ggscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com***	

FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Karen Shelnutt

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Happy Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 26th



Newsletter Email Attachments:

- 2027 Membership Renewal Form
- Can You See Me Now? Artist Information Form
- Can You See Me Now Hold Harmless Form
- Challenge Quilt Guidelines
- Modern Block of the Quarter Instructions
- Retreat Registration Form

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd, Peachtree City, GA.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Karen Shelnutt

Listening to the Stories

Happy November! I think we are finally in sweater weather and old quilt snuggle time which makes me happy. Do these quilts of times past whisper to you? Is it an old quilt? Do you know it's real **story**? Don't miss the November day meeting to help you learn more about old quilts and how to listen for their stories. The cooler weather of course means the holidays are not too far away. Fond memories of family and friend gatherings from the past, recalling funny **stories** and those that make us cry are hallmarks of the season.

This month we get to enjoy BOTH friends and **stories**! Quilting friends will be gathering at the Evening Gathering for a Holiday Make and Take. It will be a fun event with lots of sharing, conversation and laughter. Brandi has a special project planned for all. You won't want to miss this one!

And Friday, the Day Meeting is hosting Tara Miller, quilter and quilt historian extraordinaire!

She will help us understand the **stories** behind the old quilts that we don't know much about. She is a super sleuth and will have quilts and examples of how we can look at fabric, styles, and more. Tara teaches internationally and has spoken to us before (remember Fan Girl?), but never on this topic. An Atlanta resident, and true Southern woman, we are lucky that she saved time for us in her busy schedule. I hope you will join us and welcome her to QGSC.

I am hard at work on my "to do" projects…Modern Block of the Quarter…Face quilt…and of course the challenge. So, my friends, I am looking forward to seeing you all in November and hearing your **stories**.

Until then…keep on stitching,
Karen

FUNDRAISING IS FUN COMMMITTEE

Jenny Hynes

Our 2026 fundraising quilt top is done and in the process of being quilted and bound.

Jenny Hynes is seeking helpers to assist with the next step: sharing the quilt and selling tickets! If you would like to join the "Fundraising is Fun" committee, please contact her. See contact information on page 14. Thanks in advance!

The 2027 QGSC Board members approved by guild membership at the October meetings are as follows:

President	Susan Peryam
President Elect	Jody Watts
VP Membership	Lisa Dempsey
VP Communications	Wanda Huderski
VP Programs	Laura Wheater
Secretary	Paula Preti
Treasurer	Tammy Walker

Annual Holiday party

QGSC CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5 ~ 11:30am – 3:00pm

Turkey, Ham, and Drinks will be provided.

The rest of the menu depends on you!

Please bring a side dish based on your LAST NAME:

- *A-I: Bring a HOT side dish*
- *J-R: Bring a DESSERT*
- *S-Z: Bring a COLD side dish.*

Time to celebrate the season together!

If you have any questions, contact Sue Tryon. See page 14 for contact information.



2026 Challenge Quilt Reveal

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2027 Raffle Quilt Reveal!!!

Upcoming November Programs

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12
6:30 Social Time
7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting
Evergreen Church – Upstairs Room 301



Brandi has something new for us to learn! It's **Kinusaiga**.
This art form was developed in 1987 by artist Satsu Mayano as a sustainable way to repurpose gorgeous silk scraps from old, discarded kimonos.

For us, that translates to quilting without thread or painting with fabric. It is a No-Sew Technique. Instead of stitching fabric pieces together with a needle and thread, artists tuck small scraps of cloth into finely carved grooves.

Modern crafters often use foam boards or adhesive-backed insulation blocks, craft knives, and thin tucking tools (like a seam ripper or nail file) alongside quilting cotton or fabric scraps.

What do you need to do?

- *Supplies to bring: a seam ripper and a small pair of scissors.*

THE 2026 MODERN BLOCK OF THE QUARTER WILL CONCLUDE AND THE DRAWING WILL OCCUR AT EACH OF THE NOVEMBER MEETINGS. *INSTRUCTIONS ARE ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION.*

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 1:00 SOCIAL TIME
1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting Evergreen Church
"How to Read a Quilt: Uncovering its Story"

Every quilt holds a story - If you know how to look for it.

Tara will be sharing how to read visual and material clues in fabric and pattern, while exploring the quilt's place in history and the lives of people that are connected to it.

With curiosity, observation and tools Tara will share, we too, can discover the secrets that lie within the threads of quilts.



"Antique quilts are more than historical objects—they are invitations. Each worn seam, unexpected color choice, improvisational border, and beautifully imperfect block offers a lesson in courage, play, and problem-solving." Tara Miller

Between the Seams Book Club

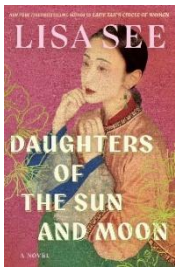
Deb Sweeney

Our book club meets on the third Tuesday of each month from 12 noon to 2 pm at Evergreen Church.

Bring your lunch and let's discuss books, have fun, and enjoy each other's company. All are welcome, even if you haven't finished the book! It's a great way to get to know your fellow quilters in a relaxed and comfortable setting.

Our next read -

November 17th - *Daughters of the Sun and Moon* by Lisa See



Monthly Mini

Mayra Diaz

The winner of the zipper bag at the October meeting was Emma Ross.



In November there are TWO Monthly Minis.

This one was contributed by Wanda Huderski.



The second one was donated by Megan Naylor.

There is no Monthly Mini at the December meeting.

Slow Stitchers

Karen Shelnutt

Holiday English Paper Piecing (EPP) ornament kits to be delivered by a Quilty Elf!

Slow Stitchers is a casual drop-in group of sewers working on hand stitching projects gather between 10:00 am and noon on the Friday morning before the day guild meeting. EPP, embroidery, wool embellishment, and stitching on binding keep our hands busy. We break for lunch before the guild meeting with a brown bag lunch at noon. If you are interested in learning new stitching skills This group will be happy to share and teach. Just curious? Feel free to drop in and peek over our shoulders.



Bring: Handwork, embroidery, applique, binding, EPP, etc. and lunch.

Questions?: Contact Karen Shelnuttt. Contact information on page 14.

Show and Tell

Abbie Ross



We are **COUNTING** on you to **show off** your creations.

Unique quilts shown between the two meetings are 262 (not counting quilts shown at both meetings).

There will be an End of Year Recognition for Day and Night Meetings in Four Categories.

Night Meeting Total quilts shown YTD: 84	**Category**	**Leaders for each category**	
		Name	**#**
	Community Service	Judy Mahfood	11
	Wall hanging and smaller	Sue Klinker	9
	Lap size and larger	Tami Walker	4
	Clothing	Jenny Hynes	2
Day Meeting Total quilts shown YTD: 178			
	Community Service	Jean Raines	44
	Wall hanging and smaller	Lisa Dempsey	9
	Lap size and larger	Paula Preti	8
	Clothing	Sarah Swab	4

Here's a CHALLENGE—there is a tie in one category.

Category	**Description**
Community Service	See the list of focus organizations under Community Service on page 8.
Wall Hanging or Smaller Item	• Wall hangings 36" X 48" or smaller • Pillowcases • Placemats • Table runners • Block of the Quarter
Lap Size or Larger Quilt	37" X 49" or larger
Clothing	All wearable quilted clothing

Make sure you check in your Show and Tell item before the meeting for counting and display.
You will be assigned a number to line up and show your creation during the meeting.

Questions: ?
Text or Email Abbie Ross. Contact information on page 14.

November is the last month in 2026 to share your 2026 creations!!
No Show and Tell at Holiday Party.

2026 Challenge Quilt

"Birds of a Feather Quilt Together"

Danna Freeney

Approximately 30 days left to sew until the Dec. 5th reveal! Is YOURS done??





Challenge Ribbon Categories:

- **Favorite "Nothing But Birds" –** Quilt made of bird blocks only
- **Favorite "Birds Making the Scene" --** Quilt made with bird blocks within a scene or with other features. Example: In a scene such as a birdhouse, in a garden, at the beach, in a tree or on a dragon! Other features may include blocks such as HST's, flying geese or pinwheels.
- **Favorite "Modern Bird Interpretation" --** Bird quilt most likely to show at Quiltcon! In this category, your bird quilt can also be used to "make a statement" with block letters and birds.
- **Most Creative Use of Fabric --** Quilt made by: 1. creating fabric with a technique from one of our past speakers (dyed, stamped, printed, painted, colored) 2. using an online design platform to create fabric (like Spoonflower).3. using an unusual fabric. (Ties, clothing?). Any creative use of a fabric.
- **Fan Favorite Block Bird Quilt --** Pick your favorite! The one that inspires you to make another block bird quilt in 2027!

Remember!!! The Challenge Quilt Reveal is at the December 5 holiday party meeting.

SAVE THE DATE

QGSC 14th Annual Retreat
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Thurs., March 18 –
Sun., March 21, 2027

The Announcement & Registration forms are attached to this issue of the newsletter.

Also, anyone new to the guild or has questions about Retreat can email or text/call Sharon Pope for more info. See page 14 for contact information.

Modern Block of the Quarter

Jennifer Hollett



This Flying Geese Block will be due and raffled off at the November meetings.

Once again, the person who brings the most blocks to each meeting will win a small prize.

Instructions for the MBQ#4 are attached to the email distribution of this newsletter.

Membership Renewal

It is time to think about renewing your QGSC membership for 2027 so why not DO IT NOW AND AVOID THE HOLIDAY RUSH.

Renewal involves TWO <u>important</u> items:

1. Information gathering/updating (see renewal form attached to the newsletter or available at each meeting.)
2. Payment of dues. Annual dues are $40.00

<u>Renewal Form:</u>

- Please fill in the blanks for the requested information being sure to print or write legibly.
- In addition, we need to know more about you. What are your quilting interests? What special skills might you have to contribute to the ongoing success of the guild? Do you have tips, tricks and specialties you can share with other members?
- Can you assist with events, small groups, community service, social gatherings?

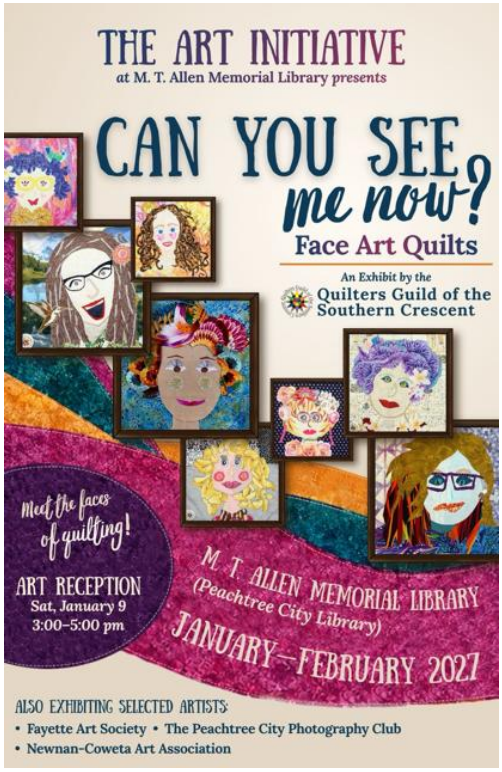
<u>Payment of Dues</u>:
Options include

- In person at meetings (cash, personal check or credit card)
- Send a check with your form via US mail to our PO Box (see page 1 of newsletter for address)
- Via Pay Pal. Send a request to Tammy Walker (see contact information on page 14) if you need a receipt.

Our Face Art Quilt exhibit will be on display at the PTC Library for two months, beginning in January 2027!

Evie and Teri are busy organizing the QGSC Faces exhibit to be held at the PTC Library in January and February 2027. We anticipate between 50-60 faces will be on display. There will be an artist reception at the Library on Saturday, January 9th from 3-5pm.

This a great opportunity for the guild to receive some community exposure and maybe recruit some new members! Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time.



What you need to do:

1. Bring your framed face quilt to the November or December meeting and give it to Teri.
2. Submit 2 forms when you turn in your framed face quilt. (a hold harmless form and name with description form). Please print the forms, complete the requested information and submit along with your face quilt. The forms are included as attachments to this newsletter.
3. Please be sure that your name is on the back of your framed face.
4. Take some postcards (available at the meetings) to hand out to friends and family to help spread the word.
5. Volunteer to sell raffle quilt tickets at the Saturday reception or provide some light snacks for our guests.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Claudia Wood

Settle Mat Update!!
During our special workshop week the goal was to make 35 mats and we exceeded that (around 38). After that, we counted a total of 100 mats made by guild members to deliver to the veterans and other attendees. Following our September guild meeting and about a week before the TOH event, the organizers told Jen that there could be as many as 150 people there. We were slightly panicked, but tried to meet that goal. I didn't want to ask any more of the guild members because everyone had already been so generous with their time. So Jen and I, along with two friends, got to work and brought our total number of mats up to 125 in time for the Tails of Hope event on Sunday, September 27th.

The giveaway was a huge success! We had a table outside the entrance to Coco's Cupboard so that we couldn't be missed along with a sign that said the mats were free and were a gift from our guild.

Everyone was delighted with the beautiful mats. It was really fun to help people find their special mats for their beloved dogs, and their faces would light up when they said, "That's the one! That's it! Thank you so much!"

We had enough mats for everyone who wanted one (only a small number said "no thank you"). There were about 12 remaining which we left with TOH.

People kept trying to pay us, but I explained about our guild and that we made these mats as a gift especially for them. Every single person thanked us profusely. It was so rewarding to get out in the community and see the positive effect of our guild's generosity. Thank you to everyone!

Claudia Wood

In 2026, we are featuring Tails of Hope and the NICU Parent Club, but I want to encourage everyone to make quilts for any charity that is meaningful to you. Every quilt makes a difference to someone!

Type of Quilt	Organization	Size Range
Baby Quilts	Pregnancy Resource Center	Width: 30" - 45" Length: 40" - 55"
Neonatal ICU Isolette Quilts *Black, white and any additional colors mixed*	NICU in Piedmont Fayette and Newnan Hospitals	Width: 60" Length: 60"
Neonatal ICU Lap Quilts *Any color, baby friendly materials and prints*	NICU in Piedmont Fayette and Newnan Hospitals	Width: 30" Length: 30"
NICU Scent Squares *2 pieces of fabric, wrong sides together, no batting*	NICU in Piedmont Fayette and Newnan Hospitals	Width: 3" Length: 3"
Throws for Children, Youths, & Adults	Christian City	Width: 45" - 60" Length: 65" - 75"
Patriotic Quilts for Veterans	Quilts of Valor	Width: 55" - 72" Length: 65" - 90"
Throws & Pillowcases for Youths 10 & Up	Bloom Closet	Width: 45: - 60" Length: 65: - 75"
Settle Mats for service dogs of veterans *Cotton fabric, thin batting or 2 layers of flannel.*	Tails for Hope	Size: 24" x 44"

Community Service
A Few of Our Settle Mat Recipients

















OUT AND ABOUT TOWN

QuiltCon presented by the Modern Quilt Guild

February 25-28, 2027
9am - 5:30pm (Sun to 3pm)
Atlanta Convention Center at AmericasMart

Single day and four day passes can be purchased on-line prior to the show or at the door.

Interested in staying in Atlanta? The 3 'captive' hotels say they are sold out. HOWEVER, there are other hotels within a few block walking distance that have availability. A little 'googling' will find you the right spot. (For example, one group is staying at the Courtland Grand Hotel)

Interested in carpooling or joining other Guild members? As QuiltCon approaches, we will facilitate interested members getting together.

The Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum (SQTM) is hosting a
Fiber Fantasy Wearable Art Fundraiser on March 13, 2026.

We invite artists, fashion designers, students, costume creators, fiber artists, crafters, and imaginative makers to submit original wearable art for Fiber Fantasy, our upcoming Wearable Art Fashion Show Fundraiser.

We are looking for unique one-of-a-kind pieces designed for the runway.

Applications for wearable art submissions are open through January 13, 2027. Please visit us at https://www.sqtmuseum.org/wearableart to learn more information.



SQTM is located in downtown Carrollton, Georgia and is a dynamic cultural hub dedicated to preserving and celebrating textile traditions. Through interactive exhibitions, educational programs, and community partnerships, SQTM connects people to the stories, skills, and creativity woven into every fiber.