



Quilters Guild of the Southern Crescent

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Here's What You Need to Know Now!

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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Karen Shelnutt

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Newsletter Email Attachments:

- Modern Block of the Quarter ~ Wonky 9-Patch

Tue 2/10	Board Meeting 7:00pm – 8:00pm	ZOOM
Thurs 2/12	Guild Meeting 6:30pm Social Time 7:00pm - 8:30pm Evening Meeting	Kris Vierra, The Accidental Quilter
Fri 2/13	Workshop 9:30am – 12:30pm Cost: \$10 Members Space Available!	Tsukineko Inks: Explore Hands on Marbling, Stenciling, and Fabric Painting with Kris Vierra Kit: \$35
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Fri 2/13	6:00 Sandwich Supper 6:30 - 8:00 Workshop: <i>Quilts to Couture</i> Cost: \$20 Members Space Available!	Workshop at Evergreen Church From Quilts to Couture: Stylish Garments You'll Love with Kris Vierra
Tues 2/17	Book Club 12:00pm – 2:00pm	
Fri 2/20	Newsletter Articles are due! Word document please. qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com	
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3/17	Book Club 12:00pm – 2:00pm	
3/20	Newsletter Articles are due!	
3/26-3/29	Annual Retreat	

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT**Karen Shelnutt****Fun in February!**

The quilters of QGSC are off to a great start! Sewing doggy settle mats, NICU quilts, as well as catching up with friends, the Community Service Sew-cial was filled with laughter and conversations and of course lots of sewing.

We learned so much from Lisa from Tails for Hope, Carolyne from Piedmont Hospitals NICU parent club, and Katye from the Fayette County dispatchers at the January meetings. The work that they do for our community is pretty amazing AND, they were so appreciative of the sewing and quilting that we provide through the guild's community service.

- Check out the photos at the end of the newsletter on page 10. The pictures tell the story so well.
- Check out new information about community service quilts, size and colors on page 8.

As we "take off" in 2026, I am inviting you to consider how you would like to "spread your wings" with your quilting?

What is it that you would like to learn to do that would add more tools to your bag of skills?

We will be offering "inside the guild" learning opportunities, matching people who want to learn a new skill with those who would like to teach.

- This month, consider what it is that you would like to learn in the sewing, quilting, or stitching realm.
- At the February meeting, add your name and area that you would like to "spread your wings" to the "Wings" list.
- In March, we will ask for teachers who are able to teach the requested skills.
- In April, we will have matches for learning and teaching opportunities.

This should be lots of fun, a way to meet new people, and of course is totally voluntary.

I look forward to welcoming our February teacher, Kris Vierra, as she joins us from Kansas City, Missouri. She is an expert in many fields of quilting, and yet I think it is her enthusiasm and great teaching style that make her a popular teacher nationally and internationally. I can't wait for February meetings and hope that you will be able to join us in the learning and fun as well!

Keep on stitching!

Karen

THURSDAY NIGHT MEETINGS!!!

We invite you to join us for our Thursday night meetings! The evening Quilters Guild of the Southern Crescent is in formation. Out of your expressed interest, we are building a community where working and/or interested art quilters can find skill building events, guest speakers, and guided conversations around modern quilting that will provide a community of like-minded folk who love needle arts of all kinds.

MEMBERSHIP**Sarah Swab**

As of January 20th, 66 members have renewed their membership, and 41 members have paid to participate in the monthly mini.

On February 1st those who have not renewed their membership will be deleted from the membership roll and the guild email list.

2026 PROGRAM CALENDAR

<p>JANUARY</p> <p>Night: Thu 1/8 @ 7:00-8:30 Social 6:30</p> <p>Kick-off of 2026 Theme: "Spread Your Wings" with new evening format, intro to Modern Block of Quarter, Community Service speaker.</p> <p>Day: Fri 1/9 9:30 am-5:00 pm at PTC Library Floy Farr Room Doors open at 9 am Community Service Sew-cial 9:30 - 12:30 & 3:00 - 5:00. Social 1:00pm Meeting: 1:30-3:00</p> <p>Kickoff of 2026 Theme "Spread Your Wings", Community Service Speaker, and Presentation of Dispatcher Quilts.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY</p> <p>Night: Thu 2/12 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Meet & Greet Kris Vierra, The Accidental Quilter [https://quilterontherun.com/]</p> <p>Workshop: Fri 2/13 9:30 am-12:30 pm Tsukineko Inks Hands on marbling, stenciling, and fabric painting.</p> <p>Day: Fri 2/13 @ 1:30-3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>The Accidental Quilter's Journey and Trunk Show with Kris Vierra</p> <p>Workshop: Fri 2/13 - 6:30-8:30pm Sandwich Meal @ 6:00 Quilt to Couture - Kris Vierra</p>	<p>MARCH</p> <p>Night: Thu 3/12 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Take Your Best Shot How to photograph your quilts for presentation, show, or records with Brandi Shockley.</p> <p>Day: Fri 3/13 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>"The In's and Out's of Exhibit Quilting" - Candy Shively presents a deep dive into the process of exhibiting quilts plus</p> <p>2026 Challenge Quilt Reveal - Danna Freeney</p> <p>Retreat: March 26-29</p>
<p>APRIL</p> <p>Night: Thu 4/9 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Postcards - Create fabric postcards to send to your friends or to be part of a guild fundraiser. Brandi Shockley & Joan Willcocks</p> <p>Day: Fri 4/10 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>Ribbons, Ribbons, Ribbons - Hand and Machine Embellishment on quilts and other projects with Joan Willcocks</p>	<p>MAY</p> <p>Night: Thu 5/7 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Meet & Greet with Jeanette Walton [http://createwhimsy.com]</p> <p>Day: Fri 5/8 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>Create Whimsy with Foundation Paper Piecing & Trunk Show - Jeanette Walton</p> <p>Workshop: Sat. 5/9 @ 10 am-1 pm Foundation Paper Piecing - Jeanette Walton \$40</p>	<p>JUNE</p> <p>Night: Thu 6/11 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Day: Fri 6/12 @ 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Social 1:00 pm</p> <p>Semi-quincentennial Member led Patriotic Trunk Show & Summer Social</p>
<p>JULY</p> <p>Night: Thu 7/9 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Introduction to "Faces" of Quilters and how to prepare for Workshop - Evie Tomlinson</p> <p>Day: Fri 7/10 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>Introduction to "Faces" of Quilters and how to prepare for Workshop - Evie Tomlinson</p> <p>Workshop: Sat 7/11 @ 10:00 - 3:00 "Faces" with Evie Tomlinson Note: QGSC "Faces" will be displayed at the PTC Library in 2027.</p>	<p>AUGUST</p> <p>Night: Thu 8/13 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Meet & Greet with Tammy Silvers [https://www.tamarinis.com]</p> <p>Day: Fri 8/14 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>Deep Dive Into Batiks - Tammy Silvers</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER</p> <p>Night: Thu 9/10 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Meet & Greet with Liz Dougherty [http://www.freespiritfabrics.com]</p> <p>Day: Fri 9/11 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>Free Spirit Fabrics Trunk Show - Liz Dougherty</p> <p>Workshop: Sat 9/12 TBD - Liz Dougherty</p>
<p>OCTOBER</p> <p>Night: Thu 10/8 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>What Makes Modern Quilting - Jenny Hynes</p> <p>Fri 10/9 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>Auction - TBD</p>	<p>NOVEMBER & DECEMBER</p> <p>Night: Thu 11/12 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30</p> <p>Holiday Make and Take</p> <p>Day: Fri 11/13 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00</p> <p>How to Read a Quilt - Tara Miller [quiltdistrict.com]</p> <p>Sat. 12/5 @ 11:30 - 3:00</p> <p>Holiday Party & 2026 Challenge Reveal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unless otherwise noted, meetings are at Evergreen Church in Peachtree City. • Thirty (30) minute "social hour" precedes meeting times noted here. • Come early to check in Show and Tell quilts. • You will be notified of changes to this calendar by email, our website and Facebook. • Visitors may attend two meetings as a Guest.

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

THURSDAY, FEB 12

6:30 Social Time
7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting
Evergreen Church - Upstairs
Meet & Greet Kris Vierra, The Accidental Quilter
[\[https://quilterontherun.com/\]](https://quilterontherun.com/)

FRIDAY, FEB 13

Tsukineko Inks: Explore Hands on Marbling, Stenciling, and Fabric Painting Workshop

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd, Peachtree City

Cost: Guild members: \$10.00

Not-yet members: \$20.00

Kit: \$35.00 (payable to teacher)

Unlock the secrets to transforming your fabric into a masterpiece with the magic of Tsukineko inks! In this fun hands-on class, you'll dive into the world of fabric marbling, create stunning designs with stencils, and learn the art of painting directly on fabric. Explore the incredible possibilities of using different resists to achieve one-of-a-kind designs that will make your fabric truly stand out.



No artistic experience required – just bring your creativity and excitement! These acid-free, water-based inks are permanent, when heat set, and will bring a bold, vibrant touch to your creations. Don't miss the chance to turn your fabric into a canvas of endless possibilities.

FRIDAY, FEB 13

1:00 Social Time
1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting
Evergreen Church
"The Accidental Quilter's Journey and Trunk Show"
 with Kris Vierra



FRIDAY, FEB 13

6:00 Sandwich Supper
6:30 - 8:30 Workshop Evergreen Church
"From Quilts to Couture: Stylish Garments You'll Love" with Kris Vierra

Where: Evergreen Church, Peachtree City

Cost: Sandwich Meal \$6.00

Members: \$20.00 – Non-members: \$25.00

Quilted garments don't have to be stiff, dated, or uncomfortable! In this class, you'll learn how to create stylish, wearable quilted pieces that are as comfortable as they are beautiful. Discover essential techniques for sizing patterns, designing perfect fabric placements, and finishing your garments to perfection. We'll cover everything you need to know, including quilting on unique fabrics like leather, micro suede, and silk, as well as choosing the right batting and construction methods.



Whether you're looking to refresh your wardrobe or make statement pieces, this class will give you the skills to quilt garments that truly shine. Ready to create quilted pieces you'll love to wear? Join us for this 2-hour class.

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

THURSDAY, MAR 12

6:30 Social Time

7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting

Evergreen Church – Upstairs

"Take Your Best Shot"

How to photograph your quilts for presentation, show, or records with Brandi Shockley.

FRIDAY, MAR 13,

1:00 Social Time

1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting Evergreen Church

"The In's and Out's of Exhibit Quilting" presented by Candy Shively.

Ever wondered how to get your quilt into an exhibit? Since 1990, Candy has been entering quilts and learning the "in's and out's" of the exhibit world.

Come and learn about:

- Types of exhibits
- Picking an exhibit that you want to be associated with
- What a juried quilt show is
- Identifying the audience you want to appeal to

Candy will bring information on her engagement as a member with Studio Art Quilt Associates. Just think: new directions for your creativity and "Think Spread Your Wings" in 2026!!

Candy will be hosting a reception at the Peachtree City Library on Saturday, Feb. 28 from 3-5, should you like to view some of her quilts and ask questions.

"2026 Challenge Quilt Reveal" presented by Dana Feeney.

Dana reveals the theme and rules for the 2026 QGSC Challenge Quilt. Members will display their creations at the 2026 holiday party on December 5th.



"Build Up" at the Art Quilt Elements exhibit in the Philadelphia area ~ Candace Hackett Shively (Candy).

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 reads

- February 17: "The English Underhand Wool" by Helen Lewis.
- March 17: "Isola" by Allegra Goodman.
- April 21: "The Correspondent" by Virginia Evans.

SLOW STITCHERS**Karen Shelnutt**

Slow Stitchers are a small group of EPPers, woolies, quilters, appliquers, Kawandi stitchers, binders, and more. Come when you can. Feel free to bring your lunch. The group has a broad level of expertise and is always willing to teach and help.

Our next gathering will be on March 13 and will begin at 10:00 am. Contact Karen Shelnutt for more information. Contact information on page 13.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS**Joann Gorrell**

Whenever a guild member informs me that a card is needed, I make sure to send one on behalf of our guild. To respect everyone's privacy, I do not announce who the recipient is or the reason for the card—sharing that information with the general membership remains the individual's choice. If you are unsure whether I have been notified, please go ahead and send me your request. It is always better to receive multiple notifications than to miss someone in need of our support.

LIBRARY**David Scott**

The guild has a wonderful library of resources to support your quilting projects. Explore the library and discover ideas for a new technique and inspiration for your next project.

MONTHLY MINI**Mayra Diaz**

This small table topper made by Mary Goodner went to Jane Opp at the January meeting.



A set of small zipper pouches donated by Jenifer Hollett will be given at the February meeting.

Note: All those who paid for the monthly mini with dues are eligible for the 11 months of drawings and more tickets can be purchased at the meeting.

We still have open months to donate a monthly mini. See Mayra Diaz, Monthly Mini Chair

2026 Monthly Mini Donation Sign up

Month	Name	Month	Name
January	Mary Goodner	July	??
February	Jennifer Hollett	August	??
March	Sherri Hutson	September	??
April	Joan Wilcocks	October	??
May	Judy Daymont	November	??
June	??	-	-

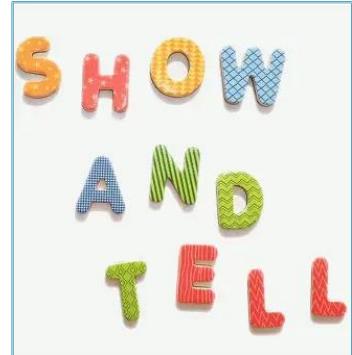
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SHOW AND TELL**Abbie Ross**

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

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

Category	Description
Community Service	See the list of focus organizations under Community Service on page 8
Wall Hanging or Smaller Item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 13.

RETREAT**Sharon Pope**

Space is running out to register for the 13th Annual QGSC Retreat 2026 scheduled for Thurs. 3/26 - Sun. 3/29.

For more information and any questions, please contact Sharon Pope. Contact information on page 13.

ROUND ROBIN**Sarah Swab**

Please contact Sarah Swab if you wish to participate.

If we do not have at least 6 participants, (including me) we will have to cancel. Contact information on page 13.

COMMUNITY SERVICE**Claudia Wood**

Community Service had a good kickoff at the January meetings.

- Laura Line from **Tails of Hope** spoke at the Thursday night meeting.
- Friday began with a morning Sew-cial at the PTC Library to make settle mats for service dogs in the Tails of Hope program.
- At the Friday day meeting, Carolyn Harrison from the **NICU Parent Club** spoke, and
- 20 quilts were presented to the **4Heroes** organization.

Well done, quilters!

2025 was a great year for Community Service Quilts, led by Laura Wheater.

- In addition to the 20 quilts going to 4Heroes,
- QGSC members made 11 quilts and 10 pillow cases for Bloom,
- 1 NICU quilt,
- 27 quilts for the Pregnancy Resource Center, and
- 4 Quilts of Valor.

Thank you to Laura and all of you who participated!

In 2026, we will be 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 <i>Black, white and any additional colors mixed</i>	NICU in Piedmont Fayette and Newnan Hospitals	Width: 60" Length: 60"
Neonatal ICU Lap Quilts <i>Any color, baby friendly materials and prints</i>	NICU in Piedmont Fayette and Newnan Hospitals	Width: 30" Length: 30"
NICU Scent Squares <i>2 pieces of fabric, wrong sides together, no batting</i>	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 <i>Cotton fabric, thin batting or 2 layers of flannel.</i>	Tails for Hope	Size: 24" x 44"

Out and About in the Quilting World

Two New Exhibits Open at the Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum

The Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum (SQTM) is pleased to announce the opening of two new exhibits on view through March 17, 2026.

Quilting Trends: 1945–1979 explores changing trends in American quilting from the end of World War II through the resurgence of the craft in the late 1970s. The exhibit highlights the evolution of styles, colors, and fabrics over three transformative decades. Early quilts reflect themes and palettes inspired by the postwar period, while quilts from the 1950s introduce new patterns and fresh color combinations. By the 1960s and 1970s, quilters pushed creative boundaries, experimenting with bold colors, unconventional fabrics, and expressive designs.

Quilts for All Seasons offers a lighthearted and visually engaging experience for visitors of all ages. Featuring holiday-themed quilts by artists Jill Christie and Cynthia Hilliard, the exhibit celebrates the changing seasons with cheerful imagery including hearts, pumpkins, Christmas trees, and more.



BULLOCH HALL QUILT SHOW 2026

The 40th Great American Cover-Up Quilt Show

Two Weekends
March 12–15
March 19–22

Thursday, Friday &
Saturday 10am–4pm
Sunday 1pm–4pm

Purchase Show Tickets
Bulloch Hall Gift Shoppe
\$10 – Adults/Children 6+
Free – Children 5 & under
www.bullochhallroswell.org
678-206-0697



Patriot's Nine Patch - Simple squares together create a tapestry of warmth and tradition.
Adapted from "Christmas Candy" pattern by Diane K. Vandiver of Butterfly Threads Quilting.

Includes Special Exhibit
QUILTS: Presidential & Patriotic

Constructed with historically accurate patterns and fabrics from their term in office, these gorgeous 24" square quilts portray each of the U.S Presidents.

