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# QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT

## FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM:

TERI BIGLANDS, JUDY DAYMONT, JANE McAFEE, EVIE TOMLINSON

Hi Fellow Quilters,

The news you have been waiting for registration opens for the 2026 QGSC Retreat during our meetings next week!

Last week I was part of a quilting retreat with a small group of friends. It was so much fun. The conversations were rich, the laughter was abundant, and we often found ourselves singing popular songs from the 60's and 70's.

Yes, those are great reasons to have a retreat. But why quilt on a retreat? Why pack up your sewing machine and all the gear? Isn't it better to just sew at home?

Here are the reasons I go to the QGSC retreat...

- 1) Getting to know other guild members
- 2) Focused time to sew
- 3) Feedback, problem solving, and help is readily available
- 4) The joy of seeing what others are working on
- 5) Flexibility to participate in retreat projects or exclusively work on my own quilts
- 6) Learning from each other

I hope you will join us March 26-29. Read through the 2 retreat attachments to this email and submit your registration and deposit soon.

Jane



## MESSAGE FROM THE 2026 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The nominating committee will present the slate of Board of Directors for 2026 at both September meetings. They will also ask for nominations from the floor. Per the by-laws members will vote at the October night meeting. Communication about absentee voting will be sent via email by October 1.

Committee Members: Molly Dillard, Danna Freaney, Sheri Hutson, Susan Peryam, and Deb Sweeney

### Newsletter Email Attachments:

*Modern Block of Quarter 4  
2026 Retreat Info  
2026 Retreat Registration*

**Newsletter Articles** are due  
Friday, Oct 10  
[qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com)

### Next Board Meeting:

Tuesday, Sept 23  
6:30 PM - ZOOM

# What's Happening



Sept

Tue. 9/23	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Board Mtg ZOOM	p. 8
Thu. 9/25	6:30 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Social Time Guild Meeting <i>What I Learned From My Quilt Appraisal</i>	p. 3, 4, 5
Fri. 9/26	10:00 am - 12:30 pm 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Slow Stitching Social time Guild Meeting <i>Fit to Be Tied with Joan Willcocks &amp; Judy Daymont</i>	p. 8  p. 3, 4



Oct

Tue. 10/21	12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Book Club	p. 8
Tue. 10/21	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Board Mtg ZOOM	p. 8
Thu. 10/23	6:30 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Social Time Guild Meeting <i>Auction</i>	p. 4, 5
Fri. 10/24	p. 3, 4, 11 Field Trip—Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum exhibit narrated by QGSC member Teri Biglands <i>"From Quilting to Cosplay: Outlander Inspired Textiles."</i> See page 3 for address, carpooling and lunch information.		



Nov

Tue. 11/18	12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Book Club	p. 8
Tue. 11/18	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Board Mtg 2024 & 2025 Board	p. 8
Thu. 11/20	6:30 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Social Time Guild Meeting <i>Holiday Make and Take with Joan Willcocks and others</i>	p. 4, 5
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Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd, Peachtree City, GA  
This Guild Calendar is for quick reference. We encourage you to go to the pages indicated for more information.

## PROGRAMS

September 2025

**Thursday, September 25**  
**6:30 Social Time, 7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting**  
**Evergreen Church**

**“What I learned from my Quilt Appraisal!”**

A Trunk Show of treasured antique, vintage, and new quilts from the closets of our guild members. These quilters pulled out the family heirlooms, found quilts, and sewn treasures that they thought were valuable and had Lisa Erlandson appraise them in August. They have received their quilt appraisals back, and have learned more about the history, value and possibly more! A trunk show that will surprise as we explore more about our beloved quilts.



**Friday, September 26**  
**1:00 Social Time, 1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting**  
**Evergreen Church**

**“Fit to be Tied”**  
**Judy Daymont & Joan Willcocks**

Have you ever wondered what you can do with old (men's) ties? They are often beautifully woven silk fabric and may bring to mind fond memories of your dad or other significant men in your life. On Friday, September 26, Judy and Joan will show you how you can get those ties out of the closet and into some great projects for wearing, gift giving and decorating. Bring your own ties or use some of ours and we will get you started!



**Thursday, Oct 23**  
**6:30 Social Time, 7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting**  
**Evergreen Church**  
**Auction**



**Join us for a fun evening of bidding on items and baskets for this QGSC annual fund raiser.**

**To donate items and for more information see page 5.**

**Friday, Oct 24**  
**Field Trip!!!**

**Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum** 306 C Bradley St., Carrollton

**Noon:** Brown Dog Café lunch (**RSVP by email to Karen Shelnutt.** *Contact info on p. 14.*)

**1:30** Featured exhibit narrated by QGSC member Teri Biglands: **“From Quilting to Cosplay: Outlander Inspired Textiles.”** See exhibit flyer on p. 11.

**Admission:** \$6.00 for guild members during October

Carpooling will be available from Evergreen Church and other locations.



# **QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT - 2025 PROGRAMS**

**September 2025**

## **JANUARY**

**Day: Fri 1/3 10:00 am-3:00 pm**

Our Day meeting starts with Community Service Sew-cial at 10 a.m. At 12:30 dessert before the Kick off the New Year of "Let's Have Fun!" at 1:30 including Intro to Funky Fun Fashion Show.

**Night: Thu 1/23 @ 7:00-8:30 Social 6:30**

2025 Kick-off "Let's Have Fun", Intro to Funky Fun Fashion Show and English Paper Piecing mini-workshop, Part 1 - Guild Teachers

## **FEBRUARY**

**Day: Fri 2/7 @ 1:30-3 pm Social 1:00**

Fabric to Dye For - Sue Klinker

**Workshop: Sat. 2/8 @ 9:30 am - 2:30 pm**

Snails Trail/Storm at Sea - Sue Klinker & Abbie Ross

**Night: Thu 2/27 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Stitch with Color and Trunk Show - Carol Stanek

[<https://stitchwithcolor.com/>]

## **MARCH**

**Day: Fri 3/7 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

**English Paper Piecing mini-workshop, Part 1** - Guild Teachers

**Night: Thu 3/20 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

**English Paper Piecing mini-workshop, Part 2** - Guild Teachers

**Retreat: March 27-30**

## **APRIL**

**Night: Thu 4/24 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

"A Tour of Free Motion Quilting" - HollyAnne Knight  
[<https://www.stringandstory.com/>]

**Day: Fri 4/25 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

"Planning your Quilting Adventure" - HollyAnne Knight  
[<https://www.stringandstory.com/>]

## **MAY**

**Night: Thu 5/22 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Meet the Artist and Intro to Kawandi Quilting - Aleathia Chisolm

**Workshop: Fri. 5/23 @ 10:00 am-Noon**

Kawandi Quilting Workshop - Aleathia Chisolm

**Day: Fri 5/23 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

Kawandi Quilting History and Trunk Show- Aleathia Chisolm

## **JUNE**

**Night: Thu 6/26 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Summer Social and Funky Fun Fashion Show

**Day: Fri 6/27 @ 1:30 am - 3:00 pm**

Quilting to Cosplay - Teri Biglands

## **JULY**

**Night: Thu 7/24 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Making the Most of Half-Square Triangles - Jenny Hynes

**Day: Fri 7/25 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

History of African American Quilting: Meet Cuesta Banberry - Lynette Warren

**Workshop: Sat 7/26 @ 10:00 - 3:00**

Making the Most of Half Square Triangles - Jenny Hynes

## **AUGUST**

**Night: Thu 8/21 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Star Light, Star Bright, Stars Upon My Bed Tonight - Lisa Erlandson  
[<https://www.lequilts.com/>]

**Special Event: Friday 8/22 10:00-12:30**

Quilt Appraisals - Lisa Erlandson

**Day: Fri 8/22 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

Orphan Quilts, the Good, the Bad and the Ugly - Lisa Erlandson

## **SEPTEMBER**

**Night: Thu 9/25 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

"What I learned from my Quilt Appraisal" A show and tell from quilters who had their quilts appraised in August.

**Day: Fri 9/26 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

"Fit to be Tied" - Joan Willcocks & Judy Daymont. Dozens of Ways to Use Ties in Quilts and other Sewing Projects.

## **OCTOBER**

**Night: Thu 10/23 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Join the fun at our annual AUCTION!

**Day: Fri 10/24**

Field Trip to Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum. Featured Artist: Teri Biglands, QGSC member. Meet at museum at 1:30 to see exhibit created by Teri. Meet for lunch in Carrollton, details coming soon.

## **NOVEMBER & DECEMBER**

**Night: Thu 11/20 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30**

Holiday Make and Take - Joan Willcocks and guild members

**Day: Fri 11/21 @ 1:30 - 3 pm Social 1:00**

Holiday Make and take - Joan Willcocks and guild members

**Sat. 12/6 @ 12:30 - 3:00**

Holiday Lunch and 2025 Challenge Reveal

## **QGSC 2025 CALENDAR**

- 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 2 meetings as a Guest.





## AUCTION

JOAN WILLCOCKS

### October 23

To inspire your creativity and whet your appetite for our October auction, Teri and Elaine have created this hand appliquéd and quilted, King size pillow sham; wouldn't it look grand on my/your bed?

Our annual auction is scheduled for October 23rd; just in time to start your early Holiday shopping! Please start making and gathering your donations. They should have a minimum value of \$25.00 for starting bids and be completed or curated items you would appreciate owning or receiving as a gift. In the past people have donated some great, big ticket items like sewing machines. They are a terrific boost to our treasury and our main Guild fund raiser. So please keep us in mind if you are in a downsizing mode! Bring your items to the auction and a brief written description. Direct questions to Joan Willcocks. *(Contact info on p. 14.)*



## HOLIDAY MAKE AND TAKE

JOAN WILLCOCKS

### November 20 & 21

Hands-on activities creating fabric-based holiday items. Several different choices will be offered, and the evening and day creations will be different...so come to both and join in the holiday fun! Supply list will be provided in October. Bring some of your favorite holiday nibbles to share. Hot cider will be served.



**COMMUNITY SERVICE****LAURA WHEATER**

There are community service tops that need to be batted, backed and quilted. The help of guild long arm and machine quilters will be greatly appreciated. Remember that the dispatcher color for 4Heros is gold. If you need gold fabric for sashing and borders, batting, or backing for one of these quilts, bring your quilt top to one of the guild meetings and I'll get you set up.

In addition, I am collecting quilts for the organizations listed below. (See chart for sizes.) The plan is to collect quilts throughout the year and distribute them to the organizations.

Keep up the good work!

Laura

Type of Quilt	Organization	Size Range
Baby Quilts	Pregnancy Resource Center	Width: 30" - 45" Length: 40" - 55"
NICU Black & White Baby Quilts, prewashed	Fayette Piedmont Hospital	Width: 50" Length: 50"
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"
Large throw and bed size quilts for First Responders	4 Heroes (4ourheroes.org)	Width: 55" - 72" Length: 65" - 90"

In addition to making quilts for dispatchers, we also donate quilts to other organizations. Check out the chart above for more information. Please bring completed community service quilts to any meeting.

## POP-UP EVENTS

### LEADERSHIP TEAM

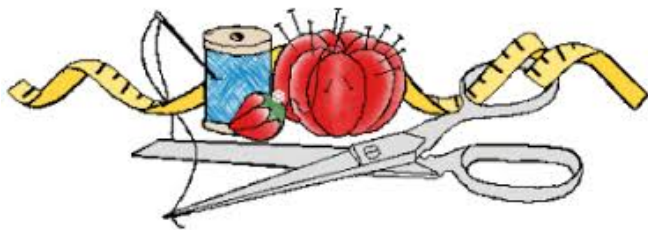
This year the leadership team is adding "Pop-Up Events" to add some fun to our year of "Let's Have FUN!"

#### Modern Block of the Quarter (BOQ):

Jenny Hynes has provided instructions for 4 different modern blocks this year. Instructions for Block #4 "Wonky Churndash" are attached to the newsletter email.

To participate in Block #4 read the instructions attached to the newsletter email and make one (or more) block(s). Bring them to the November 20th night meeting. Your name will be entered into the drawing as many times as the number of blocks you bring. The winner of the drawing goes home with ALL the blocks!

P.S. Feel free to also make blocks to keep for yourself.



## MEMBERSHIP

### MARTHA WALKER

#### August Meeting Attendance:

##### Evening:

Members: 30

Guests: 1

Day: Members: 35

Guests: 1

Members that attended both meetings: 24

Total Members: 92

Monthly Mini participants: 56

2025 Membership cards are available at the Sign-in table at meetings.

If there are any questions, please contact Martha Walker.

(Contact info on p. 14.)

## SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

### JOANN GORRELL

When a guild member lets me know a card is needed, I send one out from our guild. In an effort to respect the individual's privacy, I don't announce who or what - as it is up to the individual to share that information with the general membership. If you wonder if I know, send me the request. It is better to hear from several people than to not receive it from anyone. (Contact info on p. 14.)



## LIBRARY

### JEAN SHEALY

#### Hexa-go-go

This new book, donated by a member has been added to our library! It features both modern and traditional designs. Project are varied for any skill level or time commitment. Need a hand project for a trip? This is a great book to stimulate your creative juices.





**SLOW STITCHING****KAREN SHELNUTT**

A small group of EPPers, woolies, quilters, appliquers, Kawandi stitchers, binders, and more. We sit and stitch for 2 hours before the guild meeting, gathering at 10:00 am. 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. Contact Karen Shelnutt for more information. [\(Contact info on p. 14.\)](#)

**BETWEEN THE SEAMS BOOK CLUB****DEB SWEENEY**

The QGSC *Between the Seams Book Club* invites you to join us for great conversation and good book discussions.

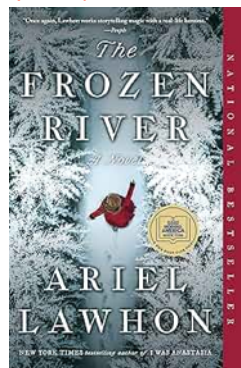
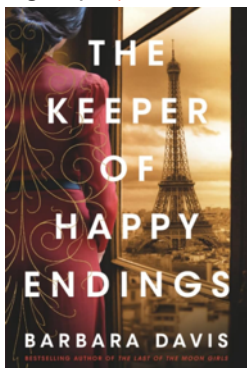
**October 21:** *The Keeper of Happy Endings* by Barbara Davis

**November 18:** *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon

**December 16:** *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

**January 20:** *Girl in Translation* by Jean Kwok

Bring your lunch and join us at Evergreen Church from noon to 2 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month. Contact Deb Sweeney to be added to the email group. [\(Contact info on p. 14.\)](#)

**2025 BOARD MEETINGS****LEADERSHIP TEAM****Board and Committee Members:**

Board meetings are held on the Tuesday preceding the monthly guild meetings. They will start at 6:30 pm on Zoom with every effort made to make them less than an hour. You will get an email with the Zoom link. Because your input is valuable, please try to attend.

Please mark your calendars 6:30 - 7:30 pm on:

September 23

October 21

November 18 (2024 & 2025 boards)

December 2 (if needed)

All members are welcome to attend board meetings. Email Jane McAfee in advance to receive the Zoom link. [\(Contact info on p. 14.\)](#)

**REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS****LEADERSHIP TEAM**

This is a gentle reminder to those requesting reimbursement from the guild. Please fill out the Reimbursement Form that can be found in the Members Only section of the website: qgscquilters.com. Please mail or give your form with attached receipts (or copies) to Tammy Walker, our treasurer. [\(Contact info on p. 14.\)](#) She will bring your check to the next guild meeting. If you prefer to be mailed a check, please make sure to note that on the form.

**RETREAT****SHARON POPE**

2026 Retreat info is here! See the attachments to the newsletter email for detailed information and the registration form. Registration forms and deposits will be accepted in person at the September meetings. Please contact Sharon Pope for more information and retreat questions. [\(Contact info on p. 14.\)](#)



**2025 CHALLENGE****EMMA ROSS & CANDY SHIVELY**

The most fun I've ever had...hmmm...???

Put on your thinking caps, quilters. During this fun year we want you to think about fun times you've had. Choose a fun time and make a quilt, representing that fun in your own unique way. There are only right ways of doing this, there are no wrong ways.

This challenge is about creativity, fun and includes all quilting levels. The big reveal will be at our December 6th Guild luncheon. Be sure YOU are part of the FUN!

If you have any questions or want to run your ideas by someone, contact Candy Shively or Emma Ross (*Contact info on p. 14.*)

**Leap into the  
FUN!**

**Froggy says...**

Remember that time when...

What about when you and your friends....

Close your eyes and recall the day when...

When you smile at a memory, it's because...

The one thing that's guaranteed to make you grin from ear to ear...

Leap into your memories (or even thoughts about times NOW), and think about

The Most **FUN** You Ever Had

Tell us about it in a quilt!

Your quilt does NOT need to:

- Have anything to do with frogs (he's just a reminder/inspiration frog)
- Use any specific technique
- Be a specific size
- Be a pictorial representation of the "fun" – it may simply evoke the tale of your FUN

Your quilt MUST:

- Have a label on the back with the title and creator's name.
- Be on display at the December 6, 2025, Holiday Luncheon along with the explanation (see below).
- Be accompanied by an index card or piece of paper with your name, the quilt title, and a one to two sentence explanation of what or why this quilt represents the most FUN you ever had. The organizers will collect these and share them anonymously with all who are present prior to voting.

Now's the time to get hoppin' on those great ideas!

## MONTHLY MINI

**MAYRA DIAZ & JULIA SMITH**

At each meeting we have a drawing for the monthly mini. If you are an annual participant, your name is in each drawing. Additional tickets may be purchased before each meeting. Come early, check out the monthly mini and buy your tickets!

These Monthly Minis will be given away at our September meetings...



## 2026 MEETING DATES

### LEADERSHIP TEAM

As the Leadership Team looked ahead to 2026, we had several things to consider: the new back to back meetings, giving sufficient time for the program team to schedule speakers, and whether we could accommodate our members who are involved with other guilds, especially Common Threads and East Cobb Quilters. We think the more informal Thursday evening meetings next year will be less work for our leaders and volunteers plus provide a fun dynamic to our meeting week. We also discovered the second week of the month is different from the other guilds and avoids making changes for holidays.

### Save these 2026 dates:

January 8 & 9	July 9 & 10
February 12 & 13	August 13 & 14
March 12 & 13	September 10 & 11
April 9 & 10	October 8 & 9
May 7 & 8*	November 12 & 13
June 11 & 12	December 5

\*May dates have been updated.

## SHOW AND TELL

**ABBIE ROSS & SUE KLINKER**



Show and Tell is a highlight at each guild meeting. We enjoy seeing and learning from each other's creations. Come 15 minutes early to a meeting and check your quilts in at the Show and Tell table.

We have started 2 new features and need your help to volunteer.

### FIRST: The Journey Continues...

Quilters love to encourage new and beginning quilters in their journey. All of us have tried things, learned new skills and practiced to get to our current level. At our meetings, we will be illustrating the learning journey by showing an example of a first quilt made or a quilt that has been abandoned plus the latest quilt being created.

### SECOND: The Question Table

We now have a question table. Someone will be available before each meeting to answer questions or consult on a project. Please sign up to staff the question table at the meeting of your choice.

See Sue Klinker to volunteer and to sign up for a meeting. *(Contact info on p. 14.)*

## MEMBER FEATURES

JANE MCAFEE



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@kylanderkouture



## FROM QUILTING TO COSPLAY: OUTLANDER INSPIRED TEXTILES

BY TERI BIGLANDS

One quilter's journey into the world of Comic Con & expressing her love of the Outlander Book Series into one-of-a-kind costumes & themed quilts!

**ON DISPLAY**  
**SEPT. 16 - DEC. 20, 2025**

Hubbard Gallery @ SQTM  
306 Bradley St. - Carrollton, GA





## MEMBER FEATURES: QUILT SHOWS &amp; EVENTS

JANE MCAFEE

# Quilting Makes Me Feel...



**Artistic Happy! Complete**



**Satisfied**



**Loved**



**Accomplished**



**Blessed**



**Busy**



**Creative**



**Relaxed**



**Balanced**



**Expressive**



**Grounded**



**Part of a  
Legacy**



**Skilled**

## September 18: Common Threads Auction

Common Threads has invited our guild to their upcoming Auction. The auction will begin at 10:00 am on September 18 at Mills Chapel Baptist Church, Hwy 29, Newnan, GA.

Items for Auction are, for example, a 401A Singer Sewing Machine. Items for the auction will be valued at \$25 or above. For more information, including some pictures, visit the CTQG website:

<http://www.commonthreadsnwnan.com/guild-news.html>

## October 2-12

Georgia National Fair

Perry, GA

<https://www.georgianationalfair.com/p/georgialiving/finearts>

## Save the Date...

**June 4-6, 2026**

for the 2026 edition of  
the East Cobb Quilters' Guild  
show

**Georgia Celebrates  
Quilts**

[www.georgiacelebratesquilts.com](http://www.georgiacelebratesquilts.com)

Credit: *National Quilters Circle*