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# Quilters Guild of the Southern Crescent

# From the Leadership Team:

#### Teri Biglands, Judy Daymont, Jane McAfee, Evie Tomlinson

Research shows that when we are positive, we are more engaged, creative, motivated, energetic, resilient, and productive.

Positivity is the key to thriving during adversity. Change does not come easy, but change is always inevitable.

So many exciting things are happening for our guild in 2025.

- 1) We now have a new calendar with Day and Evening back to back meetings. with each meeting having different Programming.
- 2) Evergreen is remodeling and we are excited at the prospect of using the smaller, more intimate and brightly lit room for our future meetings.
- 3) We have a new and exciting event, The Funky Fashion Show in June.
- 4) The guild now offers a Student Membership for full-time students ages 13-25, with annual dues of \$20.00.
- 5) For the first time the guild is sponsoring an Introduction to Quilting Drop-In event at the Peachtree City Library.
- 6) The Modern Block of the Quarter is a new idea and proving to be very popular.
- 7) We are supporting a new charity this year, 4Heroes. We have set a goal of 30 quilts in support of our local Dispatchers. An often overlooked agency but such an integral and important department.
- 8) The Community Service idea of crumb blocks is wildly successful with hundreds of blocks collected so far!
- 9) Our newest committee, The Future Planning Team (FPT) has been meeting and developing suggestions for the future of our guild.

I urge you to ask questions of committee chairs if you are thinking of volunteering next year. Ask them to mentor you. Sometimes we just don't have a large amount of time to give but that doesn't make your effort any less appreciated. There were many years I could not do a long term committee, but I always jumped in when someone asked me to help with a short term task.

So many friendships are forged when you are more active in the guild .

Cheers,

Teri Biglands

# @gmail.com Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 20

Newsletter Email

Attachments:

Modern Block of Quarter 2

Funky Fashion Show Info

Newsletter Articles are due

Saturday, May 10

qgscquilters.newsletter

6:30 PM - *ZOOM* 



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Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd, Peachtree City, GA <b>*There is a 30 minute "social hour" prior to the start of the meetings.</b> This Guild Calendar is for quick reference. We encourage you to go to the pages indicated for more information.				
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#### PROGRAMS

April 2025

Thursday, April 24 6:30 Social Time 7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting Evergreen Church

"A Tour of Free Motion Quilting" HollyAnne Knight



Spend a fun evening with an excellent teacher, HollyAnne Knight, the owner of String and Story, a quilt store in Duluth. A note from HollyAnne: "Come take a tour of free motion quilting with me! I'll show you the basic supplies and skills needed to finish your own projects. Then feast your eyes on some beautiful free motion quilting!" Friday, April 25 1:00 Social Time 1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting Evergreen Church

"Planning your Quilting Adventure" HollyAnne Knight.

HollyAnne Knight is back to answer the classic, frustrating question: "How the heck do I quilt it?" Discover what quilting plans are, why they help, and how to make them so you can confidently create a roadmap to quilt your next project!



Saturday, April 26 1:30 - 5:30 Community Sewing 1:30 - 5:30 Introduction to Quilting Floy Farr Room downstairs at Peachtree City Library

#### **May Meetings**

Thursday May 22 6:30 Social Time 7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting Evergreen Church "Meet the Artist and Intro to Kawandi Quilting" Aleathia Chisolm



Friday, May 23 1:00 Social Time 1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting Evergreen Church "Kawandi Quilting History and Trunk Show" Aleathia Chisolm May Workshop

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#### Friday May 23 10:00 am - Noon Kawandi Quilting Workshop

Make a Kawandi style 10" x 10" scrap quilt with Aleathia Chisolm during this 2 hour workshop prior to our day meeting. Learn a traditional style of quilting that originated in Western India and Pakistan using hand piecing and big stitch quilting. Cost: \$20.00 members/ \$25.00 non-members. Sign up at the meetings or contact Karen Shelnutt. (Contact info on p. 13.)



(Photo: "Working Happy Kawandi" made by O.V. Brantley from a workshop taught by Aleathia Chisolm. https://www.ovspeaksquilts.com/ post/introducing-working-happy-kawandi)

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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/]	Day: Fri 3/7 @ English Pap Part 1 - Guild Night: Thu 3/2	20 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 6:30 r Piecing mini-workshop, Teachers	
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OCTOBER Night: Thu 10/23 @ 7-8:30 pm Social 3:30 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 unch in Carrolton, 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	<ul> <li>Unless other Evergreen Chi</li> <li>Thirty (30) min meeting times</li> <li>Come early to</li> <li>You will be not calendar by en</li> </ul>	<b>2025 CALENDAR</b> wise noted, meetings are at urch in Peachtree City. ute "social hour" precedes noted here. check in Show and Tell quilts tified of changes to this nail, our website and Facebook. ttend 2 meetings as a Guest.	
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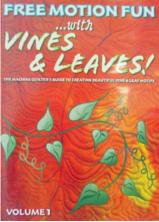
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#### LIBRARY

#### JEAN SHEALY

HollyAnne Knight will be our guest speaker this month and she will help us with a tour of free motion quilting. After you enjoy her lectures come take a look at the guild's library. We have many book and DVDs on free motion quilting. Here are just two: 250 Continuous Lines Quilting Designs by Laura Lee Fritze and Free Motion Fun ...with Vines & Leaves! by Patsy Thompson.





12 Days of Christmas All Buttoned Up Bag Boutique Block volume 2 issue 3 Block volume 4 issue 2 Block volume 4 issue 4 Block volume 4 issue 5 Block volume 4 issue 6 Block volume 6 issue 3 Block volume 7 issue 3 Christmas with Possibilities Cut the Scraps Embroidery for Beginner Find Art of Machine, Quilting Finishing Touch pattern pack 2 Flannel quilts Grand Finale, Ricky Tim's DVD Magic of Crazy Quilting Modern Quilt Perspectives Peaceful Scenes Quilt in a Day Irish Chain Quilted Bags and Gifts **Quilted Postcards** Simply Continuous Lines Thread Play Stunning Stitches for Crazy Quilts Morse code quilts

If you have these books checked out we would like to get them back to be inventoried. Please place them in the Return Bucket on the book shelf.

Thank you, Jean and Sue

#### MEMBERSHIP

#### MARTHA WALKER

Thank you to everyone who renewed for 2025!

Total members: 81 (4 new in 2025) Monthly mini: 53

March attendance: Day: 38, 1 guest Night: 28, 1 guest Members that attended both meetings: 22

If there are any questions, please contact Martha Walker. (Contact info on p. 13.)

#### AUCTION

#### JOAN WILLCOCKS

Our annual auction is scheduled for October; 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!

#### SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS



We are looking for someone to fill the role for Sunshine and Shadows. Until the position is filled, please let one of the leadership team know and we will send a card on behalf of the guild. Thanks.

Teri, Jane, Evie & Judy (Contact info on p. 13.)

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#### MONTHLY MINI

#### MAYRA DIAZ & JULIA SMITH

Hi Everyone! Thank you to everyone who is participating in the monthly mini by donating, subscribing and/or purchasing tickets.

The winners at the March day meeting were Julia Smith and Sarah Swab. Leah Simpson won at the March night meeting.

We still need some prizes for 2025 and you still have time to create something beautiful for us! You can bring it to the meetings and we will keep it safe until needed. Contact Mayra or Julia to volunteer. *(Contact info on p. 13.)* 



#### RETREAT

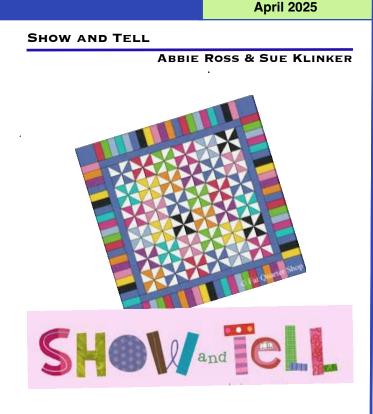
SHARON POPE



The 2025 Retreat was a wonderful time together! A few pictures are included on pages 10 & 11.

Save these dates for 2026:

March 26 - March 29, 2026 Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center



Show and Tell is a highlight at each guild meeting. We enjoy seeing and learning from each other's creations. Come in 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 Jouney 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.

We are looking for volunteers to sign up for a meeting.

#### **SECOND:** The Question Table

We now have a question table. Someone will be available before the 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. 13.)

#### SLOW STITCHING

#### KAREN SHELNUTT

The Slow Stitching group will meet Friday, April 25 from 10:00 to 12:30, prior to the April day meeting. All hand stitchers are invited to come, and bring hand applique, EPP, embroidery, wool work, and bindings.

Contact Karen Shelnutt for more information. (Contact info on p. 13)



Photo: *Tranquil Garden* needle roll stitched by Karen Shelnutt

#### BETWEEN THE SEAMS BOOK CLUB

DEB SWEENEY

The QGSC Book Club March meeting had a fun discussion and settled on the books we would read over the upcoming months. At the April meeting we discussed *The Museum of Lost Quilts* by Jennifer Chiaverini.

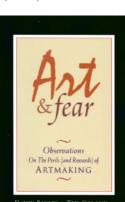
**May 20:** Art and Fear by David Bayles and Ted Orland

**June 17**: *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus **July 15**: *Making a World of Difference One Quilt at a Time* by Ruth McHaney Danner

August 19: By Any Other Name by Jody Picoult

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. 13.)



2025 BOARD MEETINGS

#### LEADERSHIP TEAM

#### **Board and Committee Members:**

Board meetings will be on Tuesday the week of the day meeting. 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:

April 22 May 20 June 24 July 22 August 19 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. 13.)

#### INTRODUCTION TO QUILTING

TERI BIGLANDS



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#### 2025 CHALLENGE

#### EMMA ROSS & CANDY SHIVELY

We Just Wanna Have Fun!

This year's challenge is designed to go along with the QGSC Let's Have FUN! theme for the year.

#### The Challenge:

Create a quilt to represent "The Most FUN I Ever Had" (Rated G, of course)

Fun is different for each of us, and memories of fun last a lifetime. FUN for you might be a place, an experience, a food, an object, a person, an event, something to look at, or just about anything! Think about the MOST fun you have ever had and create a quilt that somehow shows or connects you to that experience of FUN. Quilts do NOT need to be pictorial and can "represent" your FUN any way you wish! Be creative, and have FUN!

#### **Specifics:**

a. Quilts must have a label on the back with the title and creator's name.

b. You must bring your quilt to the December 6, 2025, Holiday Luncheon along with the explanation (see below).

c. Quilts must be accompanied by an index card or piece of paper with your name, the quilt title, and a one or 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.

All members/guests present at the luncheon will vote for 3 categories, and award swill be given to four quilts:

Viewer's choice (Honorable mention to the next highest vote getter)

Best representation of the theme "The Most Fun I Ever Had"

Most creative use of materials/techniques

ALL participants will receive recognition for their participation.

Questions? Contact Candy Shively or Emma Ross. (Contact info on p. 14)

#### 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 is providing instructions for 4 different modern blocks this year. Instructions for Block #2 are attached to the newsletter email.

To participate, in Block #2 read the instructions attached to the newsletter email and make a pair (or more) of blocks. At the May 22 night meeting, bring your blocks. Your name will be entered into the drawing as many times as the pairs 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.



#### FUNKY FASHION SHOW

#### PHYLLIS COPPOLLINO

Guild Participants will present "wearable" projects at the Night meeting on June 26. See details in the newsletter attachment for more information. The success of this presentation depends upon the participation of our Guild members. Put on your (Quilty?) Thinking Cap and join in the Fun!

Prizes will be awarded for:

- 1. Best use of recycled/upcycled materials
- 2. Most Elegant project
- 3. Funniest interpretation of project description
- 4. Most wearable.....with a group other than your Quilting Friends!

#### FIT TO BE TIED - UPCOMING SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

#### JOAN WILLCOCKS & JUDY DAYMONT

**"Fit to be Tied"** 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!



#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

#### LAURA WHEATER

Hey Crumbers! Thank you for all the colorful blocks you have handed in so far. April 26 and June 28, are our Community Service days at the Floy Farr Room downstairs at the Peachtree Public Library. Note the hours have changed for April 26 to 1:30 - 5:30 pm.

By April we may have enough blocks to make 4 or 5 quilts!

Bring your machine and usual sewing supplies. Batting, backing, and gold fabric for borders will be provided.

Laura aka the Crumb Lady

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" Lenght: 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"

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## MEMBER FEATURES

JANE MCAFEE

Enjoy these photos from our March 27-30 QGSC Retreat.













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## MEMBER FEATURES

JANE MCAFEE

More photos from our QGSC Retreat.















#### April 2025

JANE MCAFEE

#### MEMBER FEATURES



The Professional Art Quilters Alliance-South is pleased to announce its 2025 Member Exhibition of innovative quilts "ARTQuilts - *Wild!*" The exhibition is at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center in Cary, NC from March 5 to May 10, 2025.

Candace Hackett Shively is one of the exhibitors! You can check out the exhibit at:

https://www.paqa-south.org/artquiltswild

Last month I went online and found the three quilts Candy had in the exhibit, "Hidden", "Back Pocket Blues" and "Cut Flowers". I picked out my favorite and I wasn't alone in my assessment. "Back Pocket Blues" won the Juror Award! Congratulations Candy! Mark your calendars for these area quilt shows:

#### April 15 - July 12

**The Southeastern Quilt & Textile Museum** has 3 New Exhibits:

- -Korhogo of West Africa Textiles
- -Nature Embroidered Myrtie Cope's embroidered photographs

#### -Great Depression Quilts

306C Bradley Street Carrollton, GA 30117 sqtmuseum.org

#### Aug 1- Sept 6

Atlanta Quilt Festival Southwest Arts Center 915 New Hope Road South Fulton, GA 30331 https://www.atlantaquiltfestival.com/

#### September 12-13 9 am - 5 pm

QuiltFest 2025 sponsored by Misty Mountain Quilters Guild

Union County Sports Center 519 Industrial Blvd (aka Glenn Gooch Bypass) Blairsville, GA 30512 https://www.mistymountainquiltguild.org/quiltfest-2025\

#### October 2-12

Georgia National Fair Perry, GA https://www.georgianationalfair.com/p/georgialiving/ finearts It's time to get to start planning the guilts you will enter!

# Funky Fashion Show Ideas

Check out the QGSC Facebook page for QuiltFolk's short video of the quilt fashion at QuiltCon 2025. Or you can take a more in-depth look with M A Couture Crafting on YouTube where people are asked about their creations:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=banS6\_vRhA0