



The Patch Dispatch

QUILT GUILD OF GREATER HOUSTON

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President's Pen

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Hello, *December!* Wow! Really? December? Did we really just have Thanksgiving last week??? What a busy year! What a fun year! So much happened and there's so much still to do. Everyone says it's such a hectic time but that activity involves gatherings with family and friends and good food and music and joy. Enjoy the season!

Happy Holidays!

As 2023 wraps up, it is my privilege to say *thank you* to our absolutely incredible outgoing Board of Directors. Whatever was asked or needed, they took the job and did more than expected. Everyone has been fantastic. We have several ladies who served consecutive years. That's amazing. **Karen Benson** served four consecutive years: 2 as Membership and 2 as Program Chair and Elect. **Teresa Andersen** has served three as Treasurer, **Maryellen Robinson** 2 as Representative at Large, **Olivia Mireles** 2 as Membership, **Alice Clark** 2 as Daytime Chair and **Linda Stokes** as Workshop Chair and Elect. **Lois Cleveland** has been our Editor but also Quilt Show Chair and past-president. These women, and the ladies who have been reelected, made QGGH run smoothly. Thank you, thank you, and thank you!

Here comes 2024! The *incoming Board* is a powerhouse of talent and personalities. QGGH will have another phenomenal year filled with diverse activities, learning opportunities and fun. Please take some time to get acquainted with the Board and thank them for volunteering! Our Program Chair **Christy Andrews** and Workshop Chair **Diana Fredricks** are taking the reins and **Eleanor McMasters** is our secretary again. New officers are Membership **Laura Casmore**, Treasurer **Diane Ragan**, Daytime Chair **Lorrie Heffner**, Program Chair Elect **Elizabeth Fisher**, Workshop Chair Elect **Bobbie Tompkins**, Representative at Large **Cindy Dewstow**, and Editor **Emerald Romo**. Also, welcome our first ever president-elect. **Anna Gay** will be learning the ropes and step into leading next year with lots of experience already, a true formula for success!

You're invited! The *Holiday Party* is just days away, on the 12th. Tickets are available online until Dec. 7th for \$5.00. (Sorry, but no ticket sales at the door.) Don't forget to bring a \$15.00 gift exchange item, your show & tell for the "Let's Try Something New" Challenge, and a good appetite.

We voted at the November meetings to choose our challenge theme for 2025 Joy of Quilts show. The winner is *"This brings me joy!"* Size is 36" x 45", or something close to that. This sounds like a great subject for inspiring lots of quilts. It will be so interesting to see what subjects inspire joy for everyone.

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Volunteer Opportunities—Help Wanted



Throughout the year we have the opportunity to share our love of quilting with others in the community, highlight our talents and grow the number of people who appreciate our art. This section is dedicated to ensuring that you have the opportunity to use your talents and skills and provides an “at a glance” for convenience.



Quilters Needed for Comforters

If anyone is interested in quilting, **Janet Becker** needs quilters. We are a bit behind, having lots of tops with batting and backing ready for quilting. It's a great way to practice your free motion quilting as well! Contact **Janet Becker** (comforters@qgghouston.org) if you would like to help. If you will be at upcoming meetings, Janet will be glad to bring you a bundle.

Opportunity Quilt

We are in need of volunteers to help take our beautiful Opportunity Quilt to shows/other guild meetings throughout the year in order to sell raffle tickets for it. If you have interest and ability to help in this way, please, contact **Audrey Lynn** (opportunityquilt@qgghouston.org).



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January speakers are sharing their expertise with very different topics. *Esterita Austin* is sharing and teaching Portraiture, adding some painting to our skill-set. *Frank Klein's* presentation of part of his collection will show the diversity of quilt artists and their pieces. (Frank happens to be my brother.) These presentations may just start a conversation! Both are In-Person and Zoom. Hope you can attend!

Congratulations are in order. **Rhonda Onwere** applied for and was awarded our semi-annual grant. She received \$500 to work with two separate groups, teens and mature women, teaching sewing and quilting skills. Happy teaching!

In closing, **thanks** for all of your support this year. May next year be productive, busy, safe, happy, and fun. Wishing you all a very happy holiday season and wonderful 2024! See you next year!!!

Peace, hope and joy,

Sharon Kralj

Bees' Buzz List

Anna Gay
bees@qgghouston.org

Please see Members only section (<https://qgghouston.org/members-only>) of Quilt Guild Greater Houston or contact Anna Gay by email at bees@qgghouston.org

Treasurer's Report

Teresa Andersen
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Account Balances as of 11/15/2023

Checking \$9,965

Savings \$74,545

Total. \$84,510

The Budget v Actuals as of 10/31/23 are posted on the website.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Teresa Andersen at treasurer@qgghouston.org

Presidents Challenge

Sharon Kralj
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Let's Try Something New... We've reached the Goal-Line!

It's December and time to reveal your experiments. Please bring your quilt top or other items to the Holiday Party. I'm very curious to see and hear about everyone's experiences.

Thanks for participating! I hope this adventure spiced-up your quilting and sewing!



Sharon's Tip of the Month—

December usually means endless to-do lists, traveling, shopping, cooking, cleaning, planning, decorating....

Consider this:

- *Prioritize* your needs, wants, and would-like to's.
- *Do* what you can. Make a schedule.
- *Delegate* what you can. Share the joy!
- *Pare back* on some things, or skip them. Ask: How important is this?

Remember to *take care* of yourself every day and *be thankful* for your blessings.

From the Members

Janice Schindeler is thrilled to announce that her embellished wool quilt entitled Migration 1 is a semifinalist in the prestigious Road to California quilt show to be held January 17 - 20, 2024. www.roadtocalifornia.com



Jackie Hillman had a special exhibit at this year's International Quilt Festival called Many Ways to Carve a Goose. The exhibit featured her disappearing flying geese technique and was sponsored by Omnigrid. This photograph shows Jackie with the first quilt she made using this technique, Flying Fiesta.

BERNINA 570 QE

List: \$5,649

Asking \$3,500



Barely used. Includes several extra feet that I've purchased, and lucite insert that goes into my Koala Deluxe sewing cabinet/table.

Please call for more info
Helen Nilsen 713-494-0511

Programs and Meetings

Karen Benson
Christy Andrews

Tuesday Meeting – January 16, 7 p.m.

Esterita Austin Portraiture

Location: Zoom and In-Person

The human face has been a source of inspiration to artists for centuries. Esterita will take us on a journey that begins with how to take an expressive photograph. She will discuss lighting, angles and settings. Esterita will teach us her technique step by step of how to interpret the image in fabric. She will also show how she adds textile paint to achieve greater depth and dimension to create a powerful portrait in fabric.



Friday Meeting—January 19, 10 a.m.

Frank Klein

"Photographers and artists see things that others can't see. They take things to another level."

Location: Zoom and In-Person

Frank Klein is a Texas rancher, an award-winning photographer, a conservationist, and an art quilt collector. He traces his interest in textiles to seeing his first quilt show at the 2003 International Quilt Festival in Houston with his mother Lucille Klein and sisters Sharon Kralj and Jan Strickler. Since that time, he has created a collection that reveals his fine art photographer's eye – curated for strong design and extraordinary workmanship. Presently, twenty-six works by master textile artists from THE FRANK KLEIN COLLECTION are displayed in "Spectacular Stitches" at the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum in Cuero, Texas, from November 15, 2023 – February 10, 2024. Frank will share his interpretations of his "Spectacular Stitches" quilt collection in his presentation along with actual viewing of *Thread-Stitched Hollyhocks* by Charlotte Hickman, *Virginia Beach* by Jill Kerttula, and *Brewing Friendship* by Kestral Michaud. kleinphotostudio@msn.com



President's Blocks

Sharon's request is for butterfly blocks. The butterflies can be any shape, size, color, style, and you can even use metallics if you want. You can also use any method: applique, embroidery, broderie perse, pieced, etc. The blocks should finish at 3" or 6" (yours should be 3.5" or 6.5").

Sharon's goal is for you to have fun making the butterfly and maybe try something new!

The background should be a pastel solid or texture. She would like you to sign your name along the edge of wing but **not on the butterfly** unless it fills the entire block.

Please return to **Karen Benson** or **Linda Stokes**. We will give the blocks to Sharon at the December meeting.

Programs and Meetings

*Karen Benson
Alice Clark
Christy Andrews*

Friday Meeting February 16, 10 a.m.

Minay Sirois

“It's My Panel (and I'll Try If I Want To)”

Location: Zoom and In-Person

Minay will show various types of panels available, such as single border prints, large panels, and multiple block panels, and various ways to use them. minaysiroisquilter.com and black-cat-creations.com



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Joy of Quilts

Janice Schindeler
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The show team is almost complete! But don't worry, there are still a few slots open and we would love to have YOU



1. We need a volunteer to organize the volunteers! You would need to be comfortable with designing a spreadsheet and sending reminder emails at appropriate times. During the show you (or your volunteers) would need to track all the volunteer hours.

2. We are looking for someone to organize the catering company.

3. And what we all want - Prize Ribbons!!! Select, order, fill out the info on the back and pin to winning quilts before the show opens!

Below is the list of 2025 Joy of Quilt Show team members. They will all need their own team of volunteers so give it a thought and start making connections and commitments.

Here is a list of team members as of publication!



POSITION	NAME
Show Chair	Janice Schindeler
Judging	Lois Cleveland Karen Benson
Intake	Shirley Hunter
Transport	Veronica Rutenberg
Curator	Lisa Mastriano
Quilt Take Down	Lisa Mastriano
Quilt Distribution	Marsha Hennigan
Vendors	Debi Mishael
Vendor Hospitality	Meg Raatz
Online Auction	Mary Van Speybroeck
Boutique	Audrey Lynn Linda Stokes Cotton Pickin' Bee
Tin Can Raffle	Carol Garcia
Publicity	Janice Schindeler Shirley Hunter Rookaya Goolam
Ticket Sales	Olivia Mireles
Volunteers	
Decorations	Veronica Rutenberg
Program	Maryellen Robinson
Catering	
On-site Treasurer	Judy Barney
Awards	
Admissions	Anna Gay
Website	Lois Cleveland
Online Entries	Sarah Cleveland
Special Exhibit	Deborah Guttilla
Memorial Booth	Chris Mattern

Workshops

Linda Stokes
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As my tenure as Workshop Chair comes to an end, I want to thank each and every one of you who participated in a workshop this year. Our workshops had an 82% fill rate (and 4 of them were 100% full.) Your participation is what makes this job fun and allows us to bring in great workshop instructors to our guild. I'm looking forward to next year's workshops - I hope to see you there.

Until next time. Happy Sewing.

Linda Stokes

Upcoming Workshops

Diana Fredricks
workshops@ggghouston.org

I'm very excited about our workshops in 2024. I hope they run as smoothly as the ones in 2023. Thank you, **Linda Stokes!** We have a star lineup for the coming year with Esterita Austin, Lea McComas, Ann Moore, our own **Debi Mishael**, Jane Sassaman, Sujata Shah, Audrey Esarey, Jan Mathews, and David Owen Hastings. Come and join us!



Wednesday/Thursday, January 17-18, 2024

9 am—3 pm

Esterita Austin "Fabulous Fabric Art Portraits"

****Two-day workshop****

Location: Congregation Brith Shalom
4610 Bellaire Blvd., Bellaire, TX 77401



The focus in this class is on creating dramatic, expressionistic portraiture. Rembrandt, LaTour and Caravaggio all incorporated the technique of using a single, directional light source to create depth and drama in their imagery. Using traditional compositional elements further enhanced by textile paints, you will create an expressive portrait juxtaposing light and dark as your tools of intrigue while working on your project.

\$85 members/\$95 non-members and \$45 kit fee



Retreats

Charlotte Betts
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QGGH Winter Retreat

Dates: Thursday - Sunday, February 8 - 11, 2024

Location: Camp Lone Star, La Grange, Texas

Cost: Members -\$240 for 3 nights; \$215 for 2 nights

Non-Members - \$275 for 3 nights; \$250 for 2 nights

Registration has begun for our Winter Retreat. Please remember that 2024 membership dues of \$35 must be paid prior to the retreat to qualify for the member rates. The membership chairperson will be collecting dues at our December holiday party.

Retreats are a great way to meet members, and we always have a great time. This retreat is scheduled for Super Bowl weekend so that we can take advantage of the great sales at the quilt shops near La Grange.

The class offered at this retreat is Easy Quilt Painting with Powder Pigments taught by Bret Adams. Bret will provide a 13 inch quilted design of your choice on a black fabric background. You will learn how to work with pigment powders and textile medium to create a painted piece suitable for a wallhanging. Bret will provide all supplies needed at no cost to the participants. Bret has provided samples of the designs to choose from. This should be a great introduction to this art form. The class is suitable for all. She promises that it will take us only a few hours to complete.

If you want more information about our retreats or have any questions, please contact me.

We hope that you will join us. More information and a packet will be emailed to you a few weeks in advance of the retreat.



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Retreats

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Winter Retreat



QUILT GUILD OF GREATER HOUSTON
Thur., Feb. 8, 2024 - Feb. 11, 2024 • Camp Lone Star – La Grange, Texas

REGISTRATION

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Roommate Request _____

Room # Preference _____ Same as last retreat? Yes No

Please indicate if you are able to sleep in a room with bunk beds. Yes No

Special dietary needs or requests _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone: (cell-home-work) _____ Alternate phone: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

COST: Member: \$240 (3 nights) Member: \$215 (2 nights)
 Non-Member: \$275 (3 nights) Non-Member: \$250 (2 nights)

Deposit: \$25.00 is due at registration (full payment is welcome), non-refundable if you must cancel after January 25, 2024.

Balance: Due prior to January 19, 2024 Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Reminder: Pay dues to Membership Chairperson at meeting, online or by mail.
*******ALL ROOMS ARE DOUBLE OCCUPANCY AS PER CAMP LONE STAR.*******

CLASS: YOU SHOULD HAVE A GOOD WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR MACHINE BEFORE COMING TO RETREAT. THIS WOULD ALSO BE THE TIME FOR A QUICK CLEANING AND OILING.

_____ EASY QUILT PAINTING WITH POWDER PIGMENTS WITH BRETT ADAMS

_____ DO YOUR OWN THING!

Mail completed form with your deposit or full payment (made payable to QGGH) to:
Charlotte Betts, 1675 Leesway Rd., Richmond, TX 77406
 email: charlottebetts@yahoo.com Home Phone 281-342-6078 Cell Phone 713-408-6076
No money will be collected at the retreat – Payment must be received in full 1/19, 2024.

For QGGH USE ONLY:	_____ Cash	_____ Check #	_____ Amt	_____ Date Rec'd
	_____ Cash	_____ Check #	_____ Amt	_____ Date Rec'd
	_____ Zelle	_____ Credit	_____ Amt	_____ Date Rec'd

Comforters' Corner

Janet Becker
 comforters@qgghouston.org

2023 Comforter Stats

Quilts completed:	365
Pillowcases:	73
Receiving blankets:	7
Volunteer hours:	5,438

This month, Comforters received the following letter from CCSC (Christian Community Service Center).

"Please accept our sincere gratitude for your generous quilt donation to benefit Christian Community Service Center (CCSC). Your support is greatly appreciated.

CCSC operates two basic needs sites that serve hundreds of community members in

need each week. We offer well-balanced grocery packages, hygiene items, clothing, diapers, and financial assistance for rent and utilities. CCSC also offers workforce development and coaching services that help community members prepare for more self-sufficient employment.

Thank you so much for providing quilts to us. Your donation will assist in providing warmth to those in need.


Your generosity is inspiring and much appreciated. CCSC is grateful and better prepared to complete our work because of our partnership and engagement in our mission. On behalf of the CCSC community and our clients, thank you for your thoughtful and much-needed support."

Thank you all for everything you have done for Comforters this year. I will have a few kits at the December meeting if you wish to check something out and of course, will be accepting any completed projects. Check the January newsletter for details on Comforters' numbers, volunteer hours, and recipient organizations.

NOVEMBER DONATIONS OR CONTRIBUTIONS

- KIM ARELLANO
- KATHY BOERGER
- GERRY BOSWORTH
- SUSAN BOYD
- COTTON PICKIN BEE
- CINDY DEWSTOW
- SUZIE FOOTE
- MARSHA FRANTY
- NANCY GENNARO
- SHEILA GLOVER
- MEG GULDNER
- DEBORAH GUTTILLA
- LORRI HEFFNER
- MARSHA HENNIGAN
- KATHY KENNEDY
- EUNICE LEERVIG
- AUDREY LYNN
- CAROLYN MAIORANA
- MARCIA MARTY
- MARTHA MATIUK
- OLIVIA MIRELES
- PEGGY PALZKILL
- SUSAN PENNY
- DIANE RAGAN
- ANN SCHAEFER
- BARBARA SCHWIND
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Membership

Olivia Mireles
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It's time to renew for 2024!

Benefits of membership:

- Classes, Workshops and Retreats at Reduced Prices
- Charity Projects
- New Ideas, New Teachers, and New Tools
- Sharing your knowledge and learning from others
- Friends and shopping buddies who share your interests

2023 MEMBERSHIP

LIFETIME - 9

NEW - 36

REGULAR - 200

TOTAL - 245

December Birthdays!

JANET BECKER
 LAURA BOSTON
 YVONNE BREAUX
 LAURA CASMORE
 LIZ COCKERILL
 NANCY GENNARO
 CAROLYN MAIORANA
 LISA MASTRIANO
 DEBI MISHAEL
 LINDA PAYONK
 NASREEN SAEEDI

DEB SCHWIRTZ
 AMY THEALL
 BOBBIE TOMPKINS
 LINDA WEAVER
 KATHY WISE
 MARCIA ZISMAN



New Members

EVELYN BALLARD
 MARGARET GRAEFF
 JACQUE GROCE
 LAUREN LEISMER
 MARGARET LINCOLN
 SUSAN MELLOTT
 SEANETTE MESEROLE
 DEB SCHWIRTZ
 MARY WRIGHT

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E-mail me or leave a message if I'm not available to come to the telephone.

Representative-at-Large

Maryellen Robinson
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November Evening Meeting Attendance In-Person: 48 via Zoom: 30	November Morning Meeting Attendance In-Person: 67 via Zoom: 20
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If you have Community Service hours for December 2023, please record at the Rep-at-Large Table at in-person meetings. You may also email hours to Maryellen Robinson at repatlarge@qgghouston.org by December 20, 2023.

Community Service Hours for November 2023: **756!!**

This includes **377 hours** at the International Quilt Festival
 Supporting the Learn to Quilt Booth,
 Selling Opportunity Quilt Tickets and
 White Glove Guardians

Thanks to those who reported hours!

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| BRET ADAMS | SHEILA GLOVER | BJ OKABAYASHI | ANN SCHAEFER |
| TERESA ANDERSEN | ROOKAYA GOOLAM | SUSAN PAIN | JANICE SCHINDELER |
| CHRISTIE ANDREWS | SUZANNE GOUBEAUD | SUSAN PENNY | BARBARA SCHWIND |
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| ALICE CLARK | KATHY KEIM | MARYELLEN ROBINSON | MARY WELLS |
| LOIS CLEVELAND | SHARON KRALJ | EMERALD ROMO | ELAINE WHITE |
| SUSAN CORNELL | LOUISE LAWTON | VERONICA RUTENBERG | BETSY WILLARD |
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| DARSHANA DESAI | KAT MACK | | |
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| SUZIE FOOTE | OLIVIA MIRELES | | |
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| ANNA GAY | HELEN NILSON | | |
| LYNNE GEVIRTZ | PETER NORRIS | | |



QUILT GUILD OF GREATER HOUSTON
2023 HOLIDAY PARTY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

CONGREGATION BRITH SHALOM

Appetizers & Desserts

Tickets - \$5

- ♦ *Gift Exchange*
- ♦ *“Let’s Try Something New” Challenge*
- ♦ *Volunteer Awareness*
- ♦ *Comforters Awareness*
- ♦ *2023 Board & Committee Chairs*
- ♦ *Presentation of President’s Gift*
- ♦ *2024 Board & Committee Chairs*
- ♦ *Door Prizes*



Purchase Tickets at Meetings or Online!

Grants

Janice Schindeler
grants@qgghouston.org

You may have already heard but just in case you missed the news...

QGGH awarded a \$500 grant to **Rhonda Onwere**. Rhonda will use the funds to buy supplies for two groups of students who have asked her to teach them how to quilt. I am already excited to see the results in a few months!

Next round of applications for grant money is March 1, 2024. Look up the specifics on the guild's website and get those applications in!!

From the IT Desk

Mary Van Speybroeck
itadmin@qgghouston.org

The website is up to date, and the 2024 Speaker and Workshops are listed! [2024 Speakers & Workshops \(qgghouston.org\)](http://qgghouston.org) It's hot off the press, so see if you can find any typos and let me know! You know, I try to be accurate with my typing, but sometimes....

If you aren't receiving the notifications for the newsletter, please check with Olivia to make sure you have paid your dues.

No more lessons for the website, but if you ever have any questions, please reach out and I will do my best to help.



Show and Tell

Mary Van Speybroeck
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Nancy Gennaro

Connecting Threads Starburst pattern top



Clothing quilt honoring a friend who passed away from breast cancer.



Susan Upchurch



Bright Day

Made in November 2023. It is a panel with thread painting.

Peggy Palzkill



Baby Quilt made in October 2023 for baby quilt stock. Made with leftover Jelly Roll strips with Moda's free step-by-step quilt pattern. Quick and easy.

Nancie Roach



Asian Lanterns

Made in 2022 for a friend and hairdresser. This is a Round Robin. I made the Lantern centers and three others contributed.

Show and Tell *Mary Van Speybroeck*
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Christy Andrews



Bluebonnet napkins

Made this year for I don't know who yet. Bluebonnets were from a workshop I took in the spring.



10 Tall Pine Trees

Made this year for a possible Maine counting book. This is my first version for a pine tree pattern. The buttons were a fun addition. Who knew they made Beaver buttons!

Debi Mishael



Curves and Polka Dots Ahead

Made in 2023 for me. This is a block of the month pattern by Jen Kingwell called Caution Curves Ahead. It involved turned edge applique blocks each month and curved machine piercing blocks each month. I took the additional step to hand embroider and outline stitch around the applique pieces. I used only fabrics from my stash of polka dots or circle themed fabrics. I still did not make a dent in my stash!

Rhonda Onwere



Cherry Swirls

Made from September 16th 2023 to November 20th 2023 for Rho's Collection. This quilt was inspired by Lisa Bongan book "Red and White Gatherings". I saw this quilt and I just had to make it. It's straight from the long armers yesterday, November 20.



Connie Eicher



Made in 2023 for me. This was the medalion class made into a queen size - because unless you are a quilter you want to put it on a bed.

Show and Tell *Mary Van Speybroeck*
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Janice Schindeler



Not my thing #1
Made for me. Six-month modern quilt class taught by Maria Shell.



Not my thing #2
Made for me. Another online class. After two months and six small quilts I decided modern quilting is not my thing. But I will bring the other quilts when they are quilted.



Christmas Tree Pattern
Done as a zoom quilt with two friends. We Zoomed once a week and sewed the same pattern for several hours. The pattern is designed by Edyta Sitar with Laundry Basket Quilts.



Someone's Wife
Pattern by Jen Kingwell. Originally called Gypsy's Wife. Was changed to Wanderer's Wife but sometimes I forgot and called it Traveler's Wife!!

Lorri Heffner



Fin Fandango
Made in October 2023 for festival class. Class with Fabia Diniz of Brazil. Three quilting styles separated by quilting



Sharon Kralj

Mystery Quilt Workshop
Made in October - November 2023 for fun. Attended Linda Stokes' workshops to create this fun quilt.

Show and Tell

Mary Van Speybroeck
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Barbara Schwind

Gramma's Quilt

Made by Anna Schwegel in 1936 to 1944 for her family. It was discovered in a garage and I was asked to repair the damage done by nesting mice.



Comforter

Made in November 2023. Strips and a pattern supplied by Janet Becker.



Dolly Blanket

Made in November 2023 for Susie/Comforters.

Bobbie Tompkins



Holiday Wreath

Made by Bobbie Tompkins in 2022 to 2023 for herself. Pattern by Happy Hollow Designs, It has 64 Prairie points and 32 wreath wedges and lots of hot glue. Finished in Wednesday's Work-On-Your-Own-Project workshop.

Barbara Cline



Peacock

Made in 2023. I wanted to practice machine quilting with various threads. Then was inspired to make improv blocks to use as border (Sharon Kralj's challenge to try something new).



Show and Tell

Mary Van Speybroeck
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Sheila Glover and Marsha Hennigan



The QGGH Comforter's Bee supports Comforter's and **Janet Becker** in several ways. Often Comforter's is given donations of materials including unfinished projects. The QGGH Comforter's bee will then take some of these unfinished projects and complete them.

This year a lady passed away and her husband made a large donation of some of her projects. She especially liked to make paper pieced blocks.

Various Bee members took piles of these paper pieced blocks to work with them.

These quilts being shown are an example of this lady's contribution being brought to a presentable gift to someone from our Guild.

Marsha Hennigan made four tops from the brown and pink paper pieced blocks. **Carol Maiorana** has made at least five Lady Liberty tops from her blocks. Two of the completed quilts are shown here.



Susan Boyd



Made at the quilt show. I took a class with Kyra Reps on using the applique tools and this is the result. It is a brand new technique for me!



Made at the quilt show. I took a class with Fabia Diniz on micro quilting to try something new for me. I was excited with the result and hope to try it again.



Made at the quilt show. I took a class with Heidi Pofferty on Mosaic Quilts and made this kit in the class. It was also micro quilted but even smaller than the last one!

Call for Entries—
Fantastic Fibers

The Fantastic Fibers call is live. Informational links are attached below.

This year Sandro Tiberi of Fabriano, Italy, is serving as juror. Sandro is an expert in hand paper making, and teacher of paper technology at the Academy of Fine Arts in Rome. He wrote the books, "Meeting With Paper" and "I Tiberi." His artwork has been featured in Italian and international newspapers and international television specials. Tiberi has taught in workshops at the Academies of Fine Arts: Venice, Bologna, Rome, Perugia, Macerata, in secondary and primary schools, and in cultural associations. He is a member of the Pia University of Paper Makers and an honorary member of the Fedrigoni Fabriano Foundation.

FANTASTIC FIBERS is an international juried exhibition that seeks to showcase a wide range of outstanding works related to the fiber medium.

One of Yeiser Art Center's most engaging and innovative international exhibits, Fantastic Fibers is an inspirational must-see for fine artists, quilters and textile art enthusiasts across the globe.

Contemporary and innovative works created with fiber as the primary medium or concept are welcome. This exhibition is open to all artists 18 years and over working in the field of fiber art.

The show began in 1987 as a wearable art show but has evolved over the years to include a compelling mix of traditional and non-traditional works created from natural or synthetic fibers, and work that addresses the subject or medium of fiber.

https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=12522

<https://theyeiser.org/fantastic-fibers-call/>

Please email your questions to office@theyeiser.org

2024 Speakers & Workshops *Christy Andrews
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	Tuesday Evening Meetings 7:00 pm	Workshops	Friday Morning Meetings 10:00 AM	Special Events
DECEMBER 2023				December 12, 2023 Holiday Party 6:00—8:30 p.m.
JANUARY 2024	January 16, 2024 Esterita Austin "Portraiture" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	January 17-18, 2024 Esterita Austin "Fabric Art Portraits" Location - CBS	January 19, 2024 Frank Klein "Photographers and Artists See Things Others Can't See. They Take Things to Another Level" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	
FEBRUARY 2024	February 20, 2024 Lea McComas "Making Faces" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	February 21-22, 2024 Lea McComas "Portrait Quilts" Location - CBS	February 24, 2024 Minay Sirois "It's My Panel and I'll Try If I Want To" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	
MARCH 2024	March 19, 2024 Mike Ellingsen "Quilts from the Driftless" Speaker is Zoom	March 27, 2024 Ann Moore "Introduction to Free Motion Quilting and Ruler Work" Location - Trini	March 15, 2024 TBD	
APRIL 2024	April 16, 2024 Debi Mishael "Trunk Show—Quilts with Different Finishes" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	April 17, 2024 Debi Mishael "Finish Your Art Quilts" Location - Trini	April 19, 2024 Susan Braverman "Threaded Tales: A Fabric Journey with Color, Shape, and Line" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	
MAY 2024	May 21, 2024 Jane Sassaman "Jane's Textile Treasure Garden" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	May 22, 2024 Jane Sassaman "Wings and Wedges" Location - Trini	May 17, 2024 TBD	
JUNE 2024	June 18, 2024 Sujata Shah "The Root Connection" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	June 19, 2024 Sujata Shah "Peppermint Pinwheels" Location - CBS	June 21, 2024 TBD	



TEXAS QUILT MUSEUM

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Two groundbreaking exhibits of quilts will be on display at the Texas Quilt Museum from August 31-December 23, 2023.

First, we'll pay tribute to the wildly popular series of books by James Herriot as well as the recent smash PBS series with the animal-themed juried show **"All Creatures Great and Small."** James Herriot was the pen name for the real-life British country veterinary surgeon James Wight (1916-1995). He wrote a series of best-selling books about his experiences in the field, as well as short stories for adults and children. They've been adapted into several TV shows and films, including the most recent All Creature Great and Small series that began in 2020 and runs on PBS in the United States.



Red Panda (34" x 44") by Laurie Mutalpassi

The Museum put out a call for quilts inspired by the theme in this juried show, with 59 works chosen. "These quilts run the gamut of animals portrayed and loved," says Vicki Mangum, Museum Curator. "You will enjoy the many cats and dogs, as well the infamous Texas Horny Toad Lizard. Look for swans, butterflies, and even a mouse. There are also quilts on endangered species that will raise your awareness to their plight."



Isn't Playing Better Than Quilting? (33" x 32") by Susan P. Stevenson

Antique Quilts from the Koval Collection

Mary and Joe Koval are longtime quilt collectors, dealers, and experts. The Museum is also fortunate to house the permanent Koval Antique Textile Collection.



Alphabet Quilt (72" x 76")
 c. 1870, artist unknown

Now comes this showcase of 15 works which include some of their best antique quilts gathered over the decades. They were chosen by the Kovals themselves.

"When viewing these quilts, I am reminded of what attracted me to quilts in the first place—the sheer beauty of workmanship and fabric selections," Museum Curator Vicki Mangum offers.

"The two go hand-in-hand with this antique collection. Museum visitors will definitely enjoy seeing what Mary and Joe Koval have kept in their private collection after years of selling antique quilts!"



Mennonite Carpenter's Square (76" x 76")
 c. 1890, artist unknown

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Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7 pm

ZOOM

Holiday Party

December 12, 2023, 6:00—8:30 p.m.

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