



Champlain Valley Quilters Guild

November 2023



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This seems to be the time we all start to get busy with making gifts and décor...no matter how often I say I'm going to start this much earlier it always seems like time gets away. It does help me keep in the Fall/Winter holiday frame of mind. Your show committee is meeting regularly to plan our up coming show. Please be sure to read the whole newsletter there is lots of important information for all members. I look forward to seeing you all on November 7. Remember everyone will be given 3 books of raffle tickets to sell or buy for the Raffle Quilt. This is something that was done in the past and we felt it was important for everyone to have some ownership.
See you soon!
Jo Frymire, President

NOVEMBER 7—GATHER AT 6:30, MEETING STARTS AT 7

HOLY FAMILY PARISH HALL, ESSEX JUNCTIION



Julie Poirier Mathur

Julie joins us from Quebec outside of Montreal to show examples of her body of work including Portrait, Contemporary, and Fantasy quilts. She has exhibited works at Salon Courtepointe Québec as well as in travelling exhibits throughout Canada and Internationally. In her lecture she will speak to how she uses free apps on the computer to design quilts. She will demonstrate and present how and why she uses these apps.

Wednesday, November 8—9:30 – 3:30

VT Genealogy Library, 57 River Road, Route 117, Essex Junction
Class Fee \$50 members / \$55 non-members—Enroll at CVQGV.org

Design a quilt using Free applications (apps). Requires smartphones or tablets (iOS or Android)

—Release your fear of quilt design with the use of simple-to-use and free smartphone or tablet apps. This location has very good WiFi data connection.

—Choose and Manipulate a Photo and Design Your Pattern. The apps will simplify the look of the original photo, change the colours, create a colour palette, create a line drawing to be used as the pattern. You'll learn how to enlarge your pattern to print at home. Some sample photos will be provided

—Construct your quilt using your preferred technique - fused , machine pieced, hand paper pieced, or any other. Fused appliqué is always an easy, fast and fun technique which complements a group workshop with limited time. Guidance and tips for other methods of construction are also offered. Completion of the quilt might be done at home. Teacher will bring a printer and freezer paper to aid in transferring from design to fabric. Irons are provided.

—Bring many colored scraps of fabric to share, fusible webbing and base fabric approximately 18 x 18. Scissors, pen and paper for notes are also helpful.

—A selected photo is provided to facilitate the easy learning curve. Since the results will be somewhat similar, the printed pattern will also be provided to make the quilt.



Champlain Valley Quilt Guild

October 3, 2023

President Jo Frymire called the meeting to order at 6:56.

Announcements

Linda Lane said all the Challenge Quilts were displayed in the back and that everyone should vote at the break. The quilts will be displayed at various venues, such as Charlotte Senior Center, South Burlington Library. Brownell Library in Essex would like to keep quilts on display for 3 months; this is beyond the scope of the Challenge Quilts, but anyone who is interested can contact Linda.

There are also Quilts of Valor kits available.

Barbara Newman showed a sample of the Plaid-ish pattern and urged people to take fabrics and to create, either for Community Quilts, or for themselves. There were several tables with fabrics for the taking.

Barb also pointed out there are pillowcase kits on each table for the Pediatric ward at the hospital.

Sue McGuire introduced the speaker, Judith Eisenberg, a textile conservationist, who spoke about the detailed work of arresting deterioration and preventing further decay.

Business:

Programs: Sue McGuire announced the November speaker is Julie Porier Mathur who will describe free apps on the internet for sewing. Julie will also give a workshop to learn how to download and manipulate the information on Nov. 8 at the Vermont Genealogy Library in Essex; fee is \$50 for members.

Membership: Co-chair Catherine Symchych said many renewals have been made, and that more new members are joining. Members must renew before Oct. 30 to be in good standing and receive the newsletter, etc.

Raffle Quilt: Jo Frymire said each member should sell at least 3 books of tickets. Sue Rivers will be available next month with tickets as needed.

Retreat: Marti delNevo said the retreat will be Feb. 1-4 in Starksboro, and will be limited to 18-19 people, first come first serve. She will post the announcement and prospective attendees must send her a check though the mail, \$100 deposit to hold a space. Total price will be ca. \$315.

Quilt Show: Planning has begun for the show in April, but Jo said that more volunteers would certainly be helpful.

Challenge Quilts: There were 11 quilts entered and the results of the voting were:

Anne Standish

Catherine Symchych

Three-way tie – Carol Roach, Carla White, Fran Allyn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 for Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,

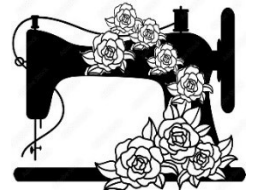
Mary Neighbours, Secretary

QUILT SHOW 2024 ~ SEAMS LIKE SPRING ~ APRIL 26, 27, 28

-Raffle Totes/Baskets-

Be thinking about how you can help make the raffle totes another great success.

You can make a tote and fill it with some goodies or you can give us some totes to fill with other donations. Or you can just give us donations that we will put to good use. If you are a member of a smaller quilt group maybe your group could put together a tote in any theme you'd like, doesn't have to be a quilt or sewing theme. How about gardening, baking, reading, etc. These donations can be brought in at any time.



For Sale: Slightly used Handquilter Simply Sixteen longarm on Little Buddy frame. Also included laser light for pantograph quilting and the locking system for accurate straight line quilting. I have a few pantos to offer as well as bobbins, needles, thread. \$4400 and can possibly deliver in VT.

I can be reached at 802-363-5750 Debi Henry

Kimberly Hess from **Barn Quilt Therapy** teaches BQ painting classes about once/month. She also does custom orders (paints your design in your colors), and offers take and paint. For more information please contact her directly at hesskimberly@gmail.com, or through her Facebook page Barn Quilt Therapy.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Welcome to our six new members! For the rest of us, renewal time is upon us. We usually think of spring as a time of renewal, but at Champlain Valley Quilt Guild, we ask for dues in the fall. Because renew is defined as "resume (an activity) after an interruption" and we take a break in the summer, it's apt. I encourage you to renew your personal commitment to the guild at the same time as you renew your financial commitment. We are a small guild and depend on our membership to be active. We understand that people have different preferences, time constraints, and financial considerations. Some of us choose to serve on the Board, help with the quilt show, or pull a shift at the fair to sell raffle tickets. In order to keep our dues low and continue to open our doors to as wide an audience as possible, we encourage all members to recall old guild tradition and obligation and take three books of raffle tickets to sell or buy yourself. They do make an interesting and inexpensive gift for someone. Talking about the quilt and our guild activities is great outreach. And you get a chance to win the lovely quilt Carol Bloomhardt is making! One chance for each book of tickets you sell/purchase.

Catherine Symchych

Linda Park

Membership co-chairs



2024 raffle quilt Geese in the Lilies





The Animal Challenge Quilts!



These quilts are off to various libraries and senior centers for display in the coming months. The next challenge rules will be announced at the November meeting and printed in the December newsletter. Stay tuned!

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Thanks to all of you who have contributed quilts to brighten the lives of those in our community. In November and December we will continue to collect pillowcases for pediatric patients at UVM Children's Hospital. Please bring them to the November meeting if possible. Joy Schekter has graciously agreed to collect them and deliver them. Thanks Joy! If you have a smaller quilt for a hospital patient (min size for preemies, max 50x60 snuggle quilt) these can also be delivered. Please wash pillowcases and quilts in a non scented detergent.

(Sizes for Camp Ta Kum Ta and Quilts Across America are minimum 50x60, max 65x90. Habitat for Humanity can use these sizes and double bed size quilts.)

The pediatric items will be delivered shortly after the December meeting to brighten the holidays for the kids.

Quilt of the Month / Fat Quarter Frenzy

Missouri Star Quilts has a cute pattern for a cat quilt. She uses pre cuts but it can easily be made with fat quarters. You can easily modify the size by using fewer blocks. Look for a large selection of donated fat quarters at the November meeting on the table at the back.

<https://www.missouriquiltco.com/pages/pins-paws-cat-quilt-tutorial>

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QUILT RETREAT 2024

We're going to have another quilt retreat in February 2024. We've reserved the Eco Lodge at the Common Ground Center in Starksboro again for Thursday, February 1, through Sunday, February 4.

You can find the details about the location as well as register online on our website, cvqgv.org If you don't want to pay online, you'll also find a registration form for you to fill out along with offline payment options.

If you are new to the guild, I encourage you to sign up before space is gone. This is a wonderful way to meet a handful of your fellow guild members. It's also an opportunity to have a few days of uninterrupted sewing time along with a lot of laughs and camaraderie among fellow quilters.



Due to the space limitations we experienced last year, we are reducing the number of attendees to no more than 17 or 18. I'm still working on the layout of the room.



Let me know if you have any questions.

Marti DelNevo
CVQG Webmaster

DECEMBER 5—HOLIDAY PARTY

Your president and vice president are putting together the December Holiday Party. We will have a true potluck dinner—maybe all desserts—hopefully not all veggies! We will be doing a couple fun things but nothing stressful. Everyone just plan on coming for some great social time. More information in the December newsletter!



January 2—Jane Hauprich “How Should I Quilt This?”

ZOOM only meeting—join us from the comfort of home

Jane’s lecture is about deciding how to quilt your quilt top. She will discuss ideas and tips on how to devise a quilting plan for your quilt using an abundance of pictures with all of the details.



February 1-4—Retreat in Starksboro

February 6 — Zoom meeting—details soon!

March 5—Elaine Quehl “From Inspiration to Art Quilt”

Elaine shares how she moved into designing her own quilts, what inspires her, and how she turns that inspiration into an art quilt. Note - This meeting will be held in our normal meeting space for the attendees but the speaker will be live on a screen not in person.

