



# Pieceful Pastimes

Mississauga Quilters Guild  
March 2023

**Next Meeting: Thursday March 2 Virtual via Zoom**

**Following Meeting: Thursday April 6, Huron**

**Park Recreation Centre**

**Room opens at 7:00 pm**

**Meeting begins at 7:30 pm**

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## Message from the President



Greetings

Just a reminder that our April 6th meeting will be in person at Huron Park Community Centre, 830 Paisley Ave West. Paisley Avenue is one block south of Dundas, the Community Centre is west of Mavis Road.

I hope you are enjoying the longer days and you are spending more time in your sewing room. Please read the newsletter carefully, it contains information about the upcoming meetings and workshops.

I am so looking forward to Corey Ralph's presentation about manly sewing, I am curious about how he got started.

Unfortunately our presenter for April 6th meeting has experienced a family emergency and has cancelled her presentation, we hope we can rebook her at a future date. We have invited Paul Taylor of Sewtec to come and speak. Please read his agenda in the programs section.

We are looking ahead to September and we have executive positions available. We need a Vice-President, Treasurer, Social Committee members also we need co-ordinators for Program, Workshop, Membership, and the Website. Please step up and volunteer, these positions do not require a lot of time and they do make life interesting.

Please send your Show and Share pictures to [mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com](mailto:mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com)

*Marie Starr - President*  
[presidentmqg@gmail.com](mailto:presidentmqg@gmail.com)

### March Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Share -- please email photos along with consent form to [mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com](mailto:mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com)
- Your favourite hot or cold drink



## MQG 45th Anniversary Gala - SAVE THE DATE!

*Please mark your calendars for Thursday, November 2, 2023*

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\$60 for Members (present and past)  
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Guest Speaker - Kathy Wylie,  
International Award-Winning Quilter  
and Designer <https://kathykwylie.com/>  
Musical Guests - King Davis  
<https://kingdavistheband.com/>

Tickets on sale soon – watch for more details.

Please direct inquiries to:  
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*Darlene Jenah, 45th Anniversary Gala Coordinator*

## News from the CORE team

Hello everyone! Our team has been preparing for both the arena shut down and the April in person meeting. We will have placemats, pillowcases, and sandwiched quilts for distribution . Please consider taking a kit or two home to help us out. We would appreciate the return of any completed kits taken at the December meeting, as deliveries will be scheduled for June.

There is one more workshop on March 8th, all are welcome to attend. Its a great opportunity to pin your own quilts, as well as pick up CORE supplies. We meet at the Tomken arena from 10am-1pm.

We have been fortunate to receive some donations of fabric and quilt kits, some will be for sale in April. We have some patterns and fabric for sale. We have also put together some scrap bags which will be available for free, one per person. A great way to build up your stash! Sales from previous meetings have made it possible for us to purchase some seasonal fabrics for placemats and co-ordinates for panels we had on hand.



As always, we appreciate everyone who donates to our group. The feedback we receive from the charities tells a story of great need and greater gratitude from those who are presented with our creations.

Mary Beth, Sandra, Wendy and Kathy

*Mary Beth Filegan, CORE Coordinator*

**Member Tip:** If you store your used sewing needles and machine needles in aa empty pill container with a hole on the lid you can take the filled container to the pharmacy for disposal. *Sandra Dunlop*

## Program

### March 2, 2023 – Corey Ralph, Sew Manly Quilting - Virtual

Corey (B.Bus, E.Ed, MBA, RMT) found quilting in the fall of 2014 when he needed an outlet for his creative side. He was inspired after seeing his mother completed/built a pinwheel quilt with love and passion some years earlier. On his website, Corey comments “I am a creator, I am a quilter, I am a teacher. I have found passion, creativity, and inspiration. I have found my people!” <https://www.sewmanlyquilting.com/about-me>

### Note change in program: April 6, 2023 – Paul Taylor - Physical The Educated Sewer and Tales of a Tech

Paul Taylor, Sew Tec Sewing Machine Repair, kindly agreed to present in April when our original speaker was no longer available. Paul’s presentation will demonstrate the basics of how a sewing machine stitches. He will then look at various components of sewing machines: thread tension, spool types and spool orientation (*I only recently found out about this – and it’s made a difference. SV*), bobbin winding and bobbin selection, and presser feet. Paul writes, “My purpose in creating this part of the presentation was to help people get the most from their machines by giving them the confidence to explore and experiment.”

In Tales of a Tech, Paul will share his Rogues’ Gallery photos. He’ll share examples of some of the dirtier machines that he’s serviced. They weren’t as bad as they looked, while some of the less dramatic examples can in fact pose real problems. It’s important that we know what machine owners can do to take better care of our machines and what a technician can to help. <http://www.sewtec.ca/>

### May 4, 2023 – Millie Cumming, Fibre Artist - Physical Making your own quilts more personal

Millie made her first attempt at textile art during late nights looking after her newborn son. Beginning with an applique course, Millie has gone on to acclaim in the world of Art Quilts. Her textiles are not of traditional patterns, but creative interpretations of subjects close to her heart. Delicacy and a demanding perfection mark her work, tinged with a sweet nostalgia for nature, memories and cottage life.

*Paula Lee-Len, Former Program Convenor*

## Workshops

There are two **Zoom** workshops scheduled for the remainder of this year. They will all start at 10AM, and cost \$50:

### Saturday March 4th, 2023, Christina de Miranda - Fundamentals of Foundation Paper Piecing - Lara’s Hymn.

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

“Cristina De Miranda has been crafting and creating since her early years watching Art Attack. A tactile world of colour, pattern, and design appeared before her when a colleague introduced her to quilting in 2018. Cristina quickly dusted off her sewing machine and dived into a plethora of designer fabrics. Today, she is totally and irreversibly immersed in a whimsical world called Ships & Violins.



Cristina is has proudly served on the Board of the Toronto Modern Quilt Guild. She is based in Toronto, Canada, and works from her home studio where her husky-shepherd, Maia, keeps her company.”

<https://shipsandviolins.com/pages/about>





### Saturday, April 15, 2023: Robyn Baumgart - **Crayon Appliqué**

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

This class explores how to work with a time honoured & classic child's art tool--- Crayons applied to fabric!

In this class you will learn how to apply (appliqué) crayons to solid white cotton & a canning jar vase of flowers. (Design will be provided prior to the class). You will also learn how to set the crayons properly so that the colour is permanent & the colour will not wash out. Outlining of the whole design can be done with permanent black markers &/or free motion quilting. Robin will demonstrate all techniques so all skill levels can attend this class. These new techniques can be applied to all of your future projects & will allow you to customize almost anything for one of a kind results. So much fun!

Saturday, October 7th, 2023, Sharon Fisher

### **This workshop will be in person!**

When people sign up, Ruthie will ask which one of the following three workshop they want:

1. "Basic Wool Appliqué",
2. "Embellishing Stitches", OR
3. "Beading your Wool Appliqué".

To sign up for one or more workshops, please contact Ruthie. Payment can be made by e-transfer, or by cheque or cash at a face-to-face guild meeting. Contact our treasurer, Sandra Scholsser, for more information regarding payment. Closer to the date, the Zoom meeting link will be shared with participants. You will also receive a list of what you need to have on hand for the class. No need to lug your sewing machine for these Zoom classes!

*Ruthie Snell, Workshop Convenor*

## Newsletter

Have something for the newsletter? Please email articles, tips, ideas or suggestions to the guild email address [MississaugaQuiltersGuild@gmail.com](mailto:MississaugaQuiltersGuild@gmail.com) . (please include MQG in the subject so it doesn't get lost in my inbox). At the February Guild meeting, members discussed local companies offering sewing machine repair. These companies were suggested by members:

**Sewing Machine Service**  
975 Pacific Gate  
Mississauga  
905-670-0773  
<http://www.smscanada.com/>

**Sew Tec - Paul Taylor**  
Burlington  
905-638-3814  
<https://sewtec.ca/>

Singer Sewing Centre  
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<https://allsewingmachinerepairs.com/>

*Sonja Vandermeer, Newsletter Convenor*



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## Block of the Month

Thank you all for showing off your Dove at the Window blocks at last month's show and share. It was so interesting to hear everyone's unique opinions and experiences from working with the block. I'm really looking forward to seeing everyone's Snowball blocks at March show and share!

And with March coming soon, we have a new block to look forward to!

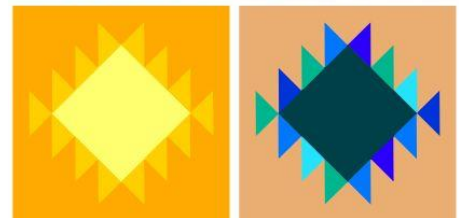
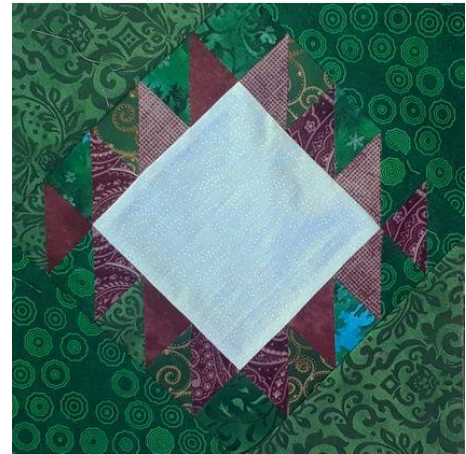
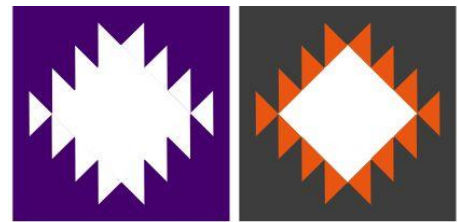
The next block in the Summer Garden BoM will be Jack's Delight! It uses the two at a time half square triangle method and bias sewn seams, both of which we've already learned to use in past blocks.

Following the virtual meeting on 02 March 2023, the instructions for the Jack's Delight block will be posted on the Block of the Month page of the guild website: <https://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/block-of-the-month.html> .

If you have any questions or concerns while working on your blocks, don't hesitate to reach out!

Happy Quilting!

*Valerie Herrmann, Block of the Month Convener*



## Membership

One of the benefits of Membership in our guild is free access to three weekly Sew 'N Chat on-line sessions. As someone new to quilting I hesitated to join in. However, the other ladies were most welcoming, and I have learned a lot about quilting and other general topics of conversation. Sometimes we're sewing, sometimes we're cutting, sometimes we're knitting! I urge you to join in whenever you can.

*Melanie Blake, Membership Convener*

## Sew and Chat

There are now three Zoom sewing sessions for Guild members to join each week. During COVID, these informal virtual "get togethers" were a great way to keep our Guild members connected during the long months of lock down. There were some positive things to come out of that situation and continuing with "Sew and Chat" is one of them.

Join other guild members,

- Wednesday evening starting at 6:30
- Tuesday and Thursday afternoon starting at 1:30

The Zoom link should be in your email inbox if not please email [mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com](mailto:mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com)

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**March's to do list:**

- ✓ Join the Core Team – March 8<sup>th</sup> at the Tomken Road Arena
- ✓ Celebrate World Quilting Day - March 17-19
- ✓ Consider making a quilt to donate to a local community organization through Core
- ✓ Start/continue this year's Block of the Month (BoM)
- ✓ Consider which MQG workshop(s) to register for
- ✓ Invite a friend or family member to be a guest at one of the MQG meetings this year
- ✓ Get in touch with the library convenors if there are books you would recommend the Guild purchases for the library
- ✓ Visit the MQG website <https://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca>.

## Canadian Quilters (CQA)

Check out the website for upcoming lectures. You can find the details about the lectures here: <https://canadianquilter.com/webinars/> . CQA members and non-members can purchase tickets online.

David Owen Hastings – Indigo Dyeing in Japan  
Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 7:00pm

Sonja Vandermeer:

## Upcoming Events

Please check the website for each event prior to attending for any changes. It's great to see face-to-face shows planned for 2022-23! Thanks to Darlene Harvey for additions to the event list. Know of any other events – please let me know, Sonja Vandermeer.

Dates	Location	Event
December to April on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm	Online	<b>Pieceful Night Quilters' Guild</b> is offering hybrid/virtual meetings. Check out our 2022-2023 program line up here: <a href="https://www.pnqq.ca/program/">https://www.pnqq.ca/program/</a>
March 24 & 25, 2023 10am – 5pm	Neilson Park Creative Centre, Etobicoke M9C 1V7	<b>Quilt Fever</b> Etobicoke Quilters' Guild <a href="https://etobicokequiltersguild.com/quilt_show/">https://etobicokequiltersguild.com/quilt_show/</a> <i>Etobicoke Quilters' Guild Show and Sale features an amazing display of traditional to modern quilts and quilt art, daily draws, fabulous door prizes, Pick-to-Win, Members' Boutique, Café &amp; Merchant Mall. Admission \$10.00</i>
April 15 & 16, 2023	Newmarket Community Centre 200 Doug Duncan Drive Newmarket	<b>A Million Little Stitches Quilt Show 2023</b> Region of York Quilters Guild <a href="http://www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca/quilt-show/">http://www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca/quilt-show/</a>

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
April 20 -- 22, 2023	Pyramid Recreation Centre, 317 James Street South, St. Mary's ON	<b>Piecemakers Quilt Show</b> Huron Perth Quilters' Guild & the Stonetowne Quilters' Guild <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064659880775">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064659880775</a>
April 29 -- 30, 2023	Tiny Township Community Centre, Tiny Township, Ontario	<b>Reflections of Georgian Bay</b> Georgian Bay Quilters Guild <a href="https://gbqg.ca/gbqg-quilt-show/">https://gbqg.ca/gbqg-quilt-show/</a>
May 5 – May 6, 2023	Royal Canadian Legion 594 5030 Howard Ave Tecumseh, ON	<b>Sew Lovely</b> Windsor Quilters' Guild <a href="https://windsorquiltersguild.com/">https://windsorquiltersguild.com/</a>
May 26 – 28, 2023	Canadian Lakehead Exhibition Thunder Bay, Ontario	<b>Superior Quilt Show,</b> Thunder Bay Quilters Guild, <a href="https://thunderbayquilters.org/">https://thunderbayquilters.org/</a>
May 26 – 27, 2023	Lindsay Curling Club 18 Peel St Lindsay, Ontario	<b>Quilted Treasures</b> Lindsay Creative Quilters Guild <a href="https://lindsaycqq.com/quilt-show">https://lindsaycqq.com/quilt-show</a>
June 2 – 3, 2023	Bracebridge	<b>Pinetree Quilters Guild of Muskoka</b> <a href="http://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/">http://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/</a>
June 2 – 4, 2023	Royal Kingston Curling Club 130 Days Road, Kingston, Ontario	<b>Quilts Kingston Show and Sale</b> Limestone QG / Kingston Heirloom Quilter <a href="http://quiltskingston.org/http://quiltskingston.org/">http://quiltskingston.org/http://quiltskingston.org/</a>
June 8 – 10, 2023	Halifax, Nova Scotia	<b>Quilt Canada 2023</b> <a href="https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2023/">https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2023/</a>
June 10 – 11, 2023	Alliston Curling Rink 52 Albert Street, W. Alliston, Ontario	<b>Stitching Among Friends</b> Quilting Corners Guild Stitching Among Friends <a href="http://www.agcquilt.edublogs.org">www.agcquilt.edublogs.org</a>
July 8 -- 9, 2023	Wellington & District Community Centre LeHigh Arena 111 Belleville Street Wellington, Ontario	<b>Quilt Show by the Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild</b> <a href="https://pecquilt.weebly.com/2023-quilt-show.html">https://pecquilt.weebly.com/2023-quilt-show.html</a>

**Member Tip:** Try placing a book under the foot that is not on the foot pedal. This helps keep your hips and spine aligned and reduces back strain when sewing for long periods. *Sandra Dunlop*

