



# Pieceful Pastimes

Mississauga Quilters Guild  
May 2023

Next Meeting: Thursday May 4, 2023  
Huron Park Recreation Centre

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - JUNE 1, 2023 at 7:30 PM  
Huron Park Recreation Centre

This meeting will be in person, your attendance is important!

**Room opens at 7:00 pm**  
**Meeting begins at 7:30 pm**

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## Message from the President



It was great to see everyone at the April Meeting, and just have a chat.

I hope everyone has been playing with their sewing machines. I hesitated to tinker with the tension, etc. until I had finished my last project.

I am looking forward to learning how Millie Cumming personalizes her quilts with applique. My quilts have been rather boring and appliqueing my quilts will give me something to do while watching the Leafs on their way to winning the Stanley Cup.

The Executive have been working to update the job descriptions, last amended in 2007. The positions we have revised are posted on the "members only" webpage, along with the 2007 descriptions of the positions we are working on. Please read the descriptions and decide which job you would like to do. We need a Vice President, Treasurer and Social Committee. We also need Convenors for Program/Workshop, Membership, Website and Newsletter.

Remember to bring your quilts for Show and Share. Looking forward to seeing you on May 4th at Huron Park Recreation Centre.

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

### May Meeting Reminders:

- Your 2023-24 Membership Renewal Form and payment
- Your name tag
- Cash or cheque for your Anniversary dinner ticket, if you haven't already got yours
- Items for Show and Share
- Your mask
- Money for purchases at the CORE table – small bills and change appreciated.
- Donations for CORE
- Return library books
- Your completed April BOM
- Bring a friend

## Just a reminder

The doors to our meeting open at 7:00pm. From 7:00-7:30 is a great time to connect or reconnect with Guild members. Take this opportunity to introduce yourself to someone new, to visit the CORE table or library table, to take a close look at Valerie's BoM samples, and to renew your Membership or to purchase your Anniversary Meeting tickets,



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It's time to renew your MQG Membership – see page 5 for more information.

<p><b>SAVE THE DATES</b></p>	<p><b>2024 RETREAT</b>          Thursday March 21 to Sunday March 24, 2024          Elm Hurst Inn &amp; Spa, Ingersoll, Ontario</p> <p><i>Come for some dedicated "Me" time, to sew and be inspired by your quilting friends. You don't have to cook, clean, or do any other chores. This weekend is a time to refresh and do some serious sewing and shopping in Ingersoll.</i></p> <p>Details and registration form are on the web site in the Members Only section.</p>
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## Call for Executive Committee Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart, soul and backbone of the Mississauga Quilters Guild. The dream to have all the positions filled by now has not come to reality but there is still time for you to make it happen.

As it's been mentioned many times in the past many months, without members filling these key roles, our Guild is at risk of collapse.

The roles that need to be filled for the up-coming year include:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Membership Convenor
- Program Convenor
- Workshop Convenor
- Newsletter Editor
- Website and Social Media
- Social Committee

These are all important roles that are essential to a guild that provide members with inspiration and education. All of these roles can be learned "on the job" as long as you bring enthusiasm and interest.

Consider taking on one of these roles or encourage a fellow member to!

Contact us or the members currently doing these roles for more information:

[Mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com](mailto:Mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com)

All of the Job Descriptions can be found on the Guild's website for your reference. We need members to keep our Guild vibrant and active.

**Darlene Jenah**  
*Past President*

## MQG 45th Anniversary Gala – TICKETS ON SALE AT MAY MEETING

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

Fine Dining! Door Prizes! Live Music!  
Guest Speaker!  
\$60 for Members (present and past)  
\$70 for Guests  
(NO increase from the 40th Anniversary Gala, and the Tax and are Tip included)

Guest Speaker - Kathy Wylie,  
International Award-Winning Quilter  
and Designer <https://kathykwylie.com/>

Musical Guests - King Davis  
<https://kingdavisband.com/>

Tickets are on sale now!  
Payment can be made in person by cheque or cash, or by email through e-transfer.  
Please direct inquiries to:  
[mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com](mailto:mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com)



**Darlene Jenah, 45th Anniversary Gala Coordinator**

## News from the Library Convenors

We have new books that will be available for the next Guild meeting! I will also bring some Library books that are in line with our speaker for the May meeting. We will have Art, Design and Embellish books for you to peruse through. We will also have some items for SALE! Please return any overdue, and due, books to the May meeting. Thank you.

**Darlene Harvey and Penka Stoyanova**  
*Library Convenors*



## News from the CORE team

We hope everyone is enjoying their treasures from last month's sale table. We will have another "Fill the bag for \$10" event at the May meeting, with more items and new Fat Quarters to choose from.

Please consider taking home a small quilt to machine quilt for us, or some placemats kits we have assembled.

For those who take pillowcase and placemat kits, please return by the October meeting as we won't have a meeting in November to collect items. This will help us plan our deliveries. Thank you!

There is no May workshop, we will be glad to return to those productive days in September.

Since the block challenge was so well received last year, we will be presenting a block to the members at the June meeting. The instructions will be on the website. The blocks can be brought to us in September. Please help us once again create donation quilts from your stash.

See you soon,

Mary Beth, Sandra, Wendy and Kathy

**Mary Beth Filegan, CORE Coordinator**

## Program

**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.

Millie was a featured artist in *Create Whimsy* – view her creations and learn more about her in this online article: <https://www.millieandgraeme.ca/about-millie/spotlight-interview-on-create-whimsy-november-2020> .

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**Paula Lee-Len, Former Program Convenor**

## Workshops

You can register for the first of the 2023-24 MQG workshops. This workshop will all start at 10AM, and cost \$50:

**Saturday, October 14th, 2023, Sharon Fisher**  
**This workshop will be in person!**

The Gardening Mum Quilts' website (<https://gardeningmumquilts.com/where-it-all-began/>) shares Sharon's quilting journey – including selling her and her husband's motorcycles to pay for an embroidery sewing machine.


The website says this about their "Crafty Founder", "From ultra-modern to centuries-old hand methods, our founder has embraced them all, but her heart and major passion is and always will be with primitive style hand embellishment and the traditional and modern look this achieves." Check out the website for samples of Sharon's work.

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 this workshop, 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, you will receive a list of what you need to have on hand for the class.


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*Ruthie Snell, Workshop Convenor*

## Membership

The Membership Drive for 2023-2024 has begun! Your Executive has been working on several ideas to bring more fun and fellowship to our meetings along with learning. This is the time to renew your membership and encourage your friends and acquaintances to join us. They will benefit from access to a large lending library for inspiration and instruction. They can participate in community service through CORE. Each meeting will provide something special for everyone, be it a guest speaker, a social opportunity or a learning experience.

*Remember anyone who renews their membership in May or June 2023 for the following year qualifies for a draw for a free membership so don't wait!*

The new application form is included with the newsletter and will be posted on the Website shortly. I will receive memberships in person at our May and June meetings.

*Melanie Blake, Membership Convenor*

## Block of the Month

The April block, Rail Fence, was the last new block for this year, so for the month of May, we will be focusing on putting together a finished Summer Garden quilt top!

Depending on the size of the quilt you've decided to make, you may still have a few blocks yet to piece, even if you have been keeping up with monthly block releases.

A throw sized quilt needs 30 blocks, a twin sized needs 62, and a queen-sized quilt needs 99. Those making a throw or queen quilt will need to make 2 and 1 more blocks respectively, which can be chosen from the patterns we've already made. Or if you'd like to further personalize your quilt, find a 10" block that wasn't featured in the Summer Garden pattern!

Full instructions will be posted to the Block of the Month page of our website following the meeting on 04 May. I am not able to attend in-person meetings, but Darlene Jenah will have all my sample blocks and quilt top to show at that meeting. If you'd like a closer look at those samples, the room at Huron Park will be open at 7:00PM for social time ahead of the meeting.

I can't wait to see how all of your quilts come together!

Happy Quilting!

*Valerie Herrmann, Block of the Month Convener*

BoM webpage link: <https://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/block-of-the-month.html>



## 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) or to [sonjavathome@gmail.com](mailto:sonjavathome@gmail.com) (please include MQG in the subject so it doesn't get lost in my inbox). Thanks,

## Canadian Quilters (CQA)

CQA counting down to June 8 – 10, 2023 Quilt Canada in Halifax, Nova Scotia. <https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2023/>. Please let me know if you have submitted a quilt or sponsored a junior quilter. We'd like to feature them in an upcoming edition.

*Sonja Vandermeer  
Newsletter Convener*

Deadline for submissions to the June Newsletter:  
May 25, 2023

### May's to do list:

- ✓ Renew your membership
- ✓ Consider making a quilt, pillowcase or placemat to donate to a local community organization or individual through CORE
- ✓ Contact Darlene Jenah regarding volunteer opportunities – on the Executive or for the Anniversary dinner
- ✓ Finish this year's Block of the Month (BoM)
- ✓ Register for the first MQG Workshop for next year
- ✓ Invite a friend or family member to be a guest at a MQG meeting
- ✓ Support our advertisers
- ✓ Consider attending the 2024 MQG Retreat – more info in the Members Only section of the MQG website <https://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca>.

### 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 fantastic 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.



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### 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! Know of any other events – please let me know, Sonja Vandermeer.

Dates	Location	Event
May 5 – May 6, 2023	Royal Canadian Legion 594 5030 Howard Ave Tecumseh, Ontario	<b>Sew Lovely</b> Windsor Quilters' Guild <a href="https://windsorquiltersguild.com/">https://windsorquiltersguild.com/</a>
May 6 – May 7, 2023	Trillium Manor 12 Grace Avenue Orillia, Ontario	<b>Sunshine Quilt Show</b> Orillia Quilters' Guild <a href="https://www.facebook.com/oqguild/">https://www.facebook.com/oqguild/</a>
May 26 – 28, 2023	Canadian Lakehead Exhibition	<b>Superior Quilt Show</b> Thunder Bay Quilters Guild,

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
	Thunder Bay, Ontario	<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>
May 26 – 27, 2023	Lou Jeffries Recreation Centre 600 King Street East Gananoque, Ontario	<b>TIQG Show and Sale</b> Thousand Islands Quilters' Guild <a href="https://thousandislandsquiltersguild.com/">https://thousandislandsquiltersguild.com/</a>
June 2 – 3, 2023	169 James Street Bracebridge, Ontario	<b>Muskoka Quilts...from the heart!</b> Pinetree Quilters Guild of Muskoka <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 3 – 4, 2023	Brighton Community Centre 75 Elizabeth St Brighton, Ontario	<b>Behind the Seams</b> Trent Valley Quilters' Guild <a href="https://www.trentvalleyquiltersguild.com/quilt-show.html">https://www.trentvalleyquiltersguild.com/quilt-show.html</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 <a href="http://www.agcguild.edublogs.org">www.agcguild.edublogs.org</a>
June 16 – 17, 2023	450 Park Ave, West Chatham, Ontario	<b>Stitches in Bloom Quilt Show</b> Chatham-Kent Quilters Guild <a href="https://ckquiltguild.com/">https://ckquiltguild.com/</a>
July 8, 2023	Smiths Falls Memorial Community Center 71 Cornelia St West Smiths Falls, Ontario	<b>Quilts on the Tay Quilt Show</b> Lanark County Quilters <a href="https://www.lanarkcountyquiltersguild.com/">https://www.lanarkcountyquiltersguild.com/</a>
July 8 -- 9, 2023	Wellington & District Community Centre LeHigh Arena 111 Belleville Street Wellington, Ontario	<b>A Stitch in Time Quilt Show</b> Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild <a href="https://pecqguild.weebly.com/2023-quilt-show.html">https://pecqguild.weebly.com/2023-quilt-show.html</a>

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