



Pieceful Pastimes

Mississauga Quilters Guild
May 2024

Meeting Date: May 2, 2024 – In Person
LOCATION: TOMKEN TWIN ARENAS – Upper Level
Doors open at 7:00 pm Meeting begins at 7:30 pm

Following meeting: June 6, 2024 – in person

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Message from the President

Greetings everyone

I am so happy to be back in person at the Tomken Arena. The meeting starts at 7:30, but the doors are open at 7. This half hour is available to socialize and make new friends.

We are thrilled to welcome Janet Michaud to the executive as Web Site Convenor effective July 1. We still need a Secretary and Workshop Convenor. Please consider stepping up and filling one of these positions.

Our own Karen Menzies will be presenting a Wearable art Fashion show. Be ready to model.

At the April meeting Core received 55 of the stash friendly, X's and O's blocks, please remember to bring the blocks you made over the winter months to the meeting.

Don't forget your quilts for Show and Share.

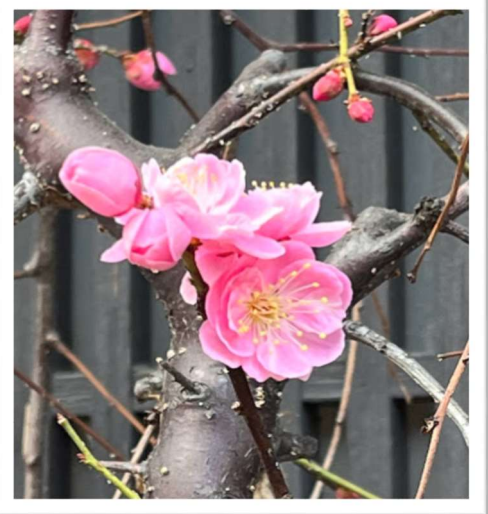
See you on May 2nd.

Marie Starr
Marie Starr - President
presidentmqg@gmail.com

Call for Executive Committee Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart, soul and backbone of the Mississauga Quilters Guild. Without you, our Guild cannot function. We are still without some very key parts of our Executive Committee. We still need:

- **Secretary**
- Workshop Convenor



May's to do list:

- ✓ Check out the calendar of upcoming events at the end of the newsletter
- ✓ 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
- ✓ Invite a friend or family member to be a guest at a MQG meeting
- ✓ Support our advertisers

2024 Program

May 2, 2024 – Our own Karen Menzies will be presenting a Wearable Art Fashion Show. Be prepared to model! – **In Person**

June 6, 2024 – **Annual General Meeting and Wrap-Up Social – In Person**

I am always looking for ideas and speaker referrals for next year's programming. If you have a skill you could share I would like to hear about it. For one of the evenings I would like to have three or four members demonstrating some techniques such as how to make a hanging sleeve, options for making perfect corners, how to create smooth circles - anything you can think of!

I'm also thinking of another session where we might hear about some of the community projects, quilting or otherwise, that our members are involved in as a "get-to-know-us" evening.

So, please get in touch any time.

Melanie Blake

Program Co-ordinator /Membership

Day Retreat – May 4th, 2024

Date: May 4, 2024

Time: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Cost: \$20 per person

May 4th is fast approaching, we still have space for those who have projects they'd like to complete. There will be 2 optional project demonstrations. Bring a UFO or begin something new. Sign up sheets , project fabric requirements and retreat supply list will be set up at the May meeting.

We have the room from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm. We are going to complete our sewing around 3:30 pm, and then have a show and share session before we clear away.

Bring your lunch, we will have cookies and a kettle set up

Hope you can make it!

Sandra and Mary Beth

News from the CORE team



Thank you to everyone who supported our sale table last month. We hope you are enjoying the placemat kits, as well as any other treasures you found.

For the May meeting, we will have 4 bins of fat quarters. Pricing is \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 7 for \$10, 10 for \$15 and 20 for \$30. Pull out your patterns and pick up some new fabrics for a project! There are some very pretty pieces and some neutrals as well.

Our long arm helpers have been great at taking quilts home to complete for us. Thank you Patrick, Michelle and Kathy Schofield. We still have many small quilts that need machine quilting. Until we clear some out, we will be unable to accept quilt tops that need supplies. Please consider taking one home to quilt for us, it would be a great way for you to support our donations.

We are pleased to announce that the Rotary Club of Streetsville has presented us with a \$500 cheque for CORE supplies. This will more than cover a roll of batting, which means we can continue our important work. We are very fortunate to have made this community connection, we recently supported their teen hygiene kits with a donation of pillowcases.

See you in May!

Mary Beth Filegan, Sandra Dunlop and Wendy Yule

Mary Beth Filegan, CORE Coordinator

The "Too Good To Throw Away Table" – back for May!

Our in-person meetings now include the **Too Good To Throw Away** table.

Bring in anything quilt related that you no longer need:

Leftover fabric from your latest quilt, triangles you cut too many of, a ruler you no longer use, that half-finished kit you got tired of, fabric that no longer pleases you, etc... and leave it on the table.

Take anything you like from the table. No charge! Even if you have nothing to leave on the table, you can still take anything you like.

PLEASE REMEMBER: If your contribution has not been taken by another member by the end of the meeting, please take it home with you.

Block of the Month



Last month, I was a little late posting the block instructions due to an exciting visit from my sister who travelled all the way from Dryden to watch the eclipse. Thank you for all of the reminders and for your patience!

In April, we were introduced to the final star block in the *Stars of the City* pattern! I hope all of you enjoyed working on the Double Ribbon Star block, as well as getting the chance to look back on all the others we've made to select your favourite block for the quilt centre. I can't wait to see which one each of you chose!

If you're still deciding which of those blocks you'd like to feature, remember that instructions for all of the blocks in this pattern will remain on the Block of the Month page of the guild website, so you can take your time selecting your favourite!

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

For everyone who is ready to move forward with their quilt, May brings the final step in this block of the month project; quilt top assembly!

Assembling the quilt top from here is as simple as piecing your Drunkard's Path and Pseudo Drunkard units into border blocks, sewing those border blocks to the star blocks, and joining everything together with sashing! However, there is an extra step for anyone making the Queen sized quilt; you'll need to make just a few more blocks before you'll be ready to assemble the full quilt top. But a few extra blocks means that much more time to enjoy the project!

Full instructions for finishing your *Stars of the City* quilt will be posted to the website following the in person meeting on 02 May 2024. I can't wait to see how your quilts turn out!

Happy Quilting!

*Valerie Herrmann,
Block of the Month Convener*

Membership

Membership is now open for the 2024-2025 Guild year. The Executive has decided that we will only be providing one free membership this year, but you **MUST** have your membership fee in by June 30 to qualify. It is important to renew your membership by June 30 because fees collected by June 30 serve to create the next year's budget. Thank you to Anna Sirota and Marlene Weaver for covering the Membership table for me at the May meeting.

Melanie Blake

Melanie Blake, Membership Convenor

Treasurer's Report

Balance Sheet and Year to Date Income Statement, as of December 31, are posted in the Members Only section of our website. Please take a look at these, email me with any questions.

Thanks for your support,

Kathy Chapman, Treasurer



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News from the Library Convenors

It was nice to see so many of you visit the library table at the last in-person meeting. If there are any books you would like us to purchase for the upcoming year, feel free to let Penka or Darlene H know.

Remember to return any books that you picked up last month and as always, we are happy to help you in your search for something to pick up.

Reminder: The Library Thing is fully updated, and can be accessed on the Guild website, from the Library tab.

The books can be sorted by Title, Author, or tags. If you want to search for a particular theme, use the search bar under the DISMISS box in the upper right corner, and it will bring up the subject/theme you searched for. If you don't have the DISMISS word, use the lower/smaller search bar. The tags will let you know what section the books are in. No tag, except for the book number, then those books are on the top shelf.

If you have any questions, Penka and I are happy to help.

Link also provided here: <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/MQGbooks>

Darlene Harvey and Penka Stoyanova
Library Convenors





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Sew and Chat

There are 4 opportunities per week to join these informal "get-togethers" from your home. Please remember that you can join in using your phone or tablet, you're not limited to just your computer.

- Monday and Wednesday evenings, starting at 6:30 PM
- Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, starting at 1:30 PM

New Zoom links will be sent to your email inbox.
The links will also be posted on the Members Only section of the website.

Darlene Jenah

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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 us know

Check out this link for other shows and events on Ontario and Quebec:

<https://quiltguilds.com/quilt-shows-in-ontario-and-quebec/>

Dates	Location	Event
Now until the end of June 2024	Rockway Mennonite Collegiate 110 Rockway Rd, Kitchener	Carpenter of the Cloth Solo Quilt Show by Deb Beirnes
May 3 – 4, 2024	Meridian Community Centre Fonthill Ontario, Niagara Region	Niagara Modern Quilt Expo Niagara Modern Quilt Guild http://nmqexpo.com
May 10- 11, 2024	Scugog Community Centre, Port Perry https://www.portperrypatchers.com/quilt-show	“Still Stitching Together” Quilt Show, Port Perry Patchers
May 31 – June 1, 2024	Sheridan Conference Centre, Oakville ON	Stitched In Our Time Halton Quilters Guild
May 31 – June 1, 2024	Osprey Community Arena, 494196 Grey Road 2, Feversham, https://threadsthatbind.ca/	“It’s A Charming Quilt World” Exhibit Grey County Charmer’s Quilt Club & Threads That Bind
May 31 – June 1, 2024	Merritt Hall, Ancaster Fairgrounds, 630 Trinity Rd S Jerseyville, ON https://www.hamiltonquiltguild.ca/	“Quilts in Bloom” Hamilton Quilters’ Guild
May 31 – June 1, 2024	No 6 RCAF Museum 536 Port Maitland Road, Dunnville ON	Garden of Quilts DOTS (Dunnville’s Own Tiny Stitchers)
Jun 7- 8, 2024	Fergus Sportsplex https://grandquiltguild.ca/quilt-show-2024/	“Quilts on the Grand” by Grand Quilters Guild
Jun 14-15 2024	Earl Armstrong Arena, 2020 Ogilvie Rd Ottawa, ON https://commonthreadquiltguild.ca/	“Ottawa Quilt Show” Common Thread Quilt Guild
Opening June 29, 2024	ROM – Royal Ontario Museum Level 3, Third Floor Centre Block	Quilts: Made in Canada https://www.rom.on.ca/en/exhibitions-galleries/exhibitions/quilts-made-in-canada
September 7 – 8, 2024	Quinte Curling Club 246 Bridge Street West, Belleville, Ontario, K8P 5L6	"Quilting for the Holidays" Quinte Quilters Quilt Show and Sale https://quintequiltersguild.ca/256-2/355-2/

New Hope United Church

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May 4
1:00-4:30pm

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(Includes Spring tea)

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