

# **Pieceful Pastimes**

Mississauga Quilters Guild May 2021

Next Meeting: Thursday May 6 by Zoom Following Meeting: Thursday June 3 by Zoom Zoom Website open at 7:00 pm Meetings begin at 7:30 pm

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## **Message from the President**

Hello all!

Welcome to May, the month filled with spring flowers and budding trees. It's my favourite time of the year as colours pop and greens are bright and cheerful.

I was so pleased to announce that the Members of the Mississauga Quilters Guild were named COVID HEROES under the City of Mississauga's recognition program. Please click on the link below to view the announcement video. A portion of the nomination letter can be heard, read by Councillor Karen Ras from Ward 2. All Heroes will have a plaque on the monument at Mississauaga's Celebration Square until the end of 2021, I'm looking forward to seeing it in person soon.

#### https://fb.watch/50uUvuyHDD/

Please remember to tune in to our General Meeting scheduled for May 6, watch your email for the Zoom link. This month, our Program Committee brings us Cheryl Arkison, from Calgary Alberta, to talk to us about Scraps vs Scrappy quilts. I'm excited to learn what to do with my scraps and small pieces. <a href="http://www.cherylarkison.com/">http://www.cherylarkison.com/</a>

We are still looking for willing volunteers to join the Executive Committee. Please consider whatever parts of being a member you enjoy the most, we'd love your input and participation around the virtual table. We are looking for Program, Workshops, Membership, CORE, and a Vice President. Marlene Weaver is heading this search party, put your hands up!

Don't forget to mark our June 3, 2021 meeting for our Annual General Meeting.

Keep well everyone, and Happy Stitching! Darlene Jenah, President

# **Community Outreach (Core)**

A big thank you to our guild members for your continued support of CORE. We received several completed quilts this month as well as quilt tops. We have distributed batting and backing to members who are making quilts for CORE.

We delivered 20 quilts to Children's Aid Society and they were very excited to receive them. We have a new charity requesting baby quilts - a group within Breakfast with Santa that provides layettes to distressed families with baby needs. So, any baby quilts you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

If you need any supplies to make a CORE quilt, let us know. We really appreciate your generous contributions. Wendy Yule and Kathy Chapman, CORE Coordinators



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### **Nominations**

Many years ago, I was asked to join a committee as part of an organization I was with. I was surprised to be asked, and I didn't

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On a Windows computer? ALT-A will toggle your microphone between on and off. If you are on mute, hold the space bar to temporarily speak. You must hold the space bar all the time you are speaking.

really think I had much to contribute. But I quickly learned that a team of people can do so much more than the sum of its parts. I found that I loved the energy created by a group of people working together and felt rewarded by the successes we brought to the organization. I learned that it's not just one person alone, but the team working together that makes it all happen. The rewards, the connections to other members, the personal gratification of having contributed. Very much like a quilt --- one piece may not seem like much, but when all the pieces come together, it can be amazing!

With that in mind, I'm asking you to consider joining the team of people that keep our guild running so smoothly. These position will become vacant this next year:

Vice President

Membership

CORE

Programming

Workshop

This is your chance to join a great team of volunteers and make some new connections with other guild members. If you are new to the guild, your fresh ideas and input would be greatly welcomed, and if you are a veteran member, your experience will be greatly valued. Remember, we are all volunteers, and each of us can help in our own way!

Marlene Weaver, Past President

### **Block of the Month**

You all should have received the final appliqué pattern and finishing directions online from Patrick. If not, you should be able to check for that from Patrick. Linda and I hope you have enjoyed this entire process for the Wetlands quilt, and we look forward to seeing your finished tops or quilts as soon as possible or at least by September!

Linda Ward and Mary Dodd, BOM Convenors

### Library

Although it will be a challenge, we are presently brainstorming and exploring ways we could safely reopen our

library when the time is right. It certainly cannot be the same as it was in the past. In the meantime, it was suggested by one of the members that perhaps we could circulate the items that were collected and are still in our position as we have been unable to get them into Tomken. With that in mind, Diane made a list which is attached to this newsletter. If you are interested in borrowing any of the items, you would have to get in touch with Diane to arrange for pick up and return.

Since it is always nice to have new materials to browse through, we are looking into possibilities for new purchases to enhance our collection. If there is a particular book/magazine or a topic (e.g. modern) you would like us to pursue please let either of us know.



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Diane McCullough and Jane Crockford, Library Convenors



# **Program**

One of the positives of virtual meetings, is enabling us to bring Guest Speakers from anywhere in the world! Also, you don't have to go out in the cold/rain/darkness (have you noticed it rained or snowed almost every time there was a Guild meeting?). Instead, you get to sit back in your favourite chair, with a glass of wine and enjoy the show. So far, we had:

- Brandy Maslowski from British Columbia, Canada (September 2020) https://www.quilteronfire.com and YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs44G9z5Z3LPdIEH9uXwe8A
- Lisa Walton presented her trunk show all the way from Australia (October 2020) https://lisawaltonartist.com, www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=M32ADkHwoSQ
- Sandy Simmelink, Burlington, Ontario, Fibre Artist and teacher in the Art of Fine Quilting. (November 2020) Sandysimmelink@hotmail.com
- December 2020:
  - Northcott Challenge
  - Revealed at the December general meeting: The winners were: 1st; Patrick Chan; 2nd; Lil Budden; and 3<sup>rd</sup>: Tish Leupen.
  - Covid Challenge
  - Also revealed at the December general meeting: The winners were: 1st: Ruthie Snell; 2nd: Paula Lee-Len; and 3rd: Jane Sanders
- Bonnie Langenfeld, Artist and surface design teacher (January 2021) www.landscapesinfabric.com
- Johanna Masko Lectue on Make Do and Mend (February 2021) https://ca.linkedin.com/in/johanna-masko-70757166
- Eleanor Levie 12 Ways to rock your quilting. (March 2021) www.eleanorlevie.com

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Phyllis Cullen – Hawaii (April 2021) <a href="http://phylliscullenartstudio.com">http://phylliscullenartstudio.com</a>

### May 5, 2021 – Cheryl Arkison – Scraps vs. Scrappy Virtual

Writing, teaching, creating and quilting make up the bulk of Cheryl's current freelance portfolio. According to her blog, it appears that she thrives on chaos. Check out her website <a href="https://www.cherylarkison.com">www.cherylarkison.com</a>

#### 2021 - 2022 Guild Year

We have many lectures/programs in place for the 2021/2022 guild year; however, this pandemic is causing chaos with our schedules and we may have to reorganize our Speakers. The August 2021 Newsletter will outline our programs for the next guild year. In the meantime, enjoy the summer and stay safe.

Paula Lee-Len, Program Convenor

Please send your Show and Share Pictures for the May meeting to Marlene Weaver

### Workshops

Last zoom workshop for this year there is still lots of space in the last workshop of the year! Over the summer, you will probably miss these zoom gatherings. Please email Ruthie to signup for this workshop. The cost is \$50.

Saturday, May 8th, 9:30 - 12:30. Cost \$50

Cheryl Arkison: Maple Leaf Quilt. You will get the pattern and learn to make this improv maple leaf.

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1 Cheryl Arkison Maple Leaf Quilt

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Workshops for next year - These workshops will be in person!!! September 18th - Paul Legere - Patchwork Illusions October 9 - Nancy Mvcracken - Collage Quilts November 6th Robin Bogaert - Ruler Quilting

#### Workshop for next January 2022

I am thinking about bringing Phyllis Cullen, our April speaker, to give a virtual workshop next January, as a zoom workshop. Check out her webpage at <a href="www.phylliscullenartstudio.com">www.phylliscullenartstudio.com</a> and let me know what workshop you want. Ruthie Snell and Elizabeth McDowell, Workshop Convenors





### **Newsletter**

Have something for the newsletter? Please email ideas or suggestions to the guild email address MississaugaQuiltersGuild@gmail.com

Deadline for June Newsletter: May 21, 2021

**Deadline for future Newsletters:** September Newsletter: August 20



### **Comfy Cases**



Thanks to the volunteers who helped with the last batch of pillowcases, and we have more fabric on the way! If you would like to join the team of smile-makers, with a donation of fabric or sewing pre-cut kits, just contact me.

Marlene Weaver, Past President



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# **Membership**

MEMBERSHIP - is happy to say we have already received 26 renewals as of April 20th. All renewals received by April 30th will be included in our first "FREE MEMBERSHIP" draw. There are still two more chances to be included in the renewal draws. May 1st to May 31st for draw number 2 which also includes all April renewals AND June1st to June 30th for draw number 3 which also includes all April and May renewals. Good luck. *Elizabeth & Gunda, Membership.* 

# **Followup**

After the fires in Australia in 2019, The Woolongong Modern Quilt Guild sent out a request for quilt blocks. Members of the guild made over 160 blocks. Some of the blocks were made into quilt tops and sent along with 2 tops made by the students at St. Louis school under the coaching of several guild members. Tish Leupen recently found an update on one of those quilts that was recently quilted and bound and will be donated shortly. You can see the finished guilt



### CQA

The CQA is holding a zoom lecture on May 15, 2021 with Linda Schmidt, has a member mystery quilt and an open Row of the Month Quilt along. A list of all lectures to the end of the year are posted <a href="here">here</a>. Please see the <a href="CQA website">CQA website</a> for more details on these and other activities. The class list for Quilt Canada is also available and open for registration.

### **Quilt Shows**

- June 16 19, 2021 Canadian Quilt Association Virtual Quilt show. See their page here.
- April 14 16, 2023 (Tentative) Region of York Quilters Guild: A Million Little Stitches Newmarket Community Centre 200 Doug Duncan Drive.

#### Other Possibilities

- QuiltTalk has a series of paid lectures available. You can find their schedule here
- The Royal Ontario Museum has several ongoing lectures which are free. There is one coming up on May 18th at 4pm about Cotton & Colour: A deep history of Indus Valley Textiles. You can register <a href="here">here</a> Most of the past lectures are available on the website.
- Keep an eye on the CQA website. They've had a paid monthly lectures. Coming up May 15th at 3 pm is Linda Schmidt. At the moment, tickets are only available for CQA members. They go on sale to nonmembers on May 10th

Helen Anne Lemke, Newsletter Convenor

### **Social**

A possibility for your snack during the meeting. Tracey Ann sent a link to a recipe. She says: Like this one as it's easy to take in for a lunch/picnic/shopping trip. Besides - cherries are the best fruit EVER! ;-) <a href="https://thecottagemarket.com/quick-easy-cherry-pie-pockets/">https://thecottagemarket.com/quick-easy-cherry-pie-pockets/</a>