



Pieceful Pastimes

Mississauga Quilters Guild
September 2023

Next Meeting: September 7, 2023, at 7:30 PM
Huron Park Recreation Centre

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

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Message from the President

Welcome back, unfortunately we are not at Tomken Arena, we are meeting at Huron Park Community Centre. Renovations haven't been completed at Tomken, we can't return home yet.

I hope everyone enjoyed the summer and had a chance to sew some blocks for Core, please remember to bring them to the meeting.

URGENT: We still need a Vice-President to ensure the Guild continues to thrive. This is a four year commitment: one year as Vice-President, two years as President and one year as Past President. You get to work with a great group of volunteers, who are dedicated to the Guild and its continued operation. I have found that I can ask any of the previous Presidents in our Guild for their guidance. Please consider stepping up and accepting the position.

QUESTION: When we are able to get back into Tomken Arena, do you want to resume having coffee at the break. Does lining up for the coffee rob you of time to chat and check out the library and the CORE tables? Our Social Committee needs to know!

REMINDER: This year marks 45 years of the Guild, we have a lot to celebrate and we want to keep celebrating. If you haven't purchased your tickets for the Anniversary Dinner please do so at this meeting, deadline to reserve your place is October 5!

REMINDER: The 2024 Retreat is set for Thursday March 21 to Sunday March 24 at The Elmhurst Inn & Spa in Ingersoll. Please consider coming to Ingersoll to sew and chat for a whole weekend. No cooking, no cleaning and no chores. Please let me know as soon as possible if you will be attending. I will need your cheques by December 1st

Don't forget to renew your membership!

Marie Starr - President
presidentmqg@gmail.com



September Meeting Reminders:

- Your 2023-24 Membership Renewal Form and payment, if you haven't renewed yet
- Your name tag
- Your mask (optional)
- Items for Show and Share
- Cash or cheque for your Anniversary dinner ticket, if you haven't already got yours
- Money (in small denominations) to purchase books or magazines surplus to the MQG Library
- Donations for CORE
- Pick up pillowcase and placemat kits
- Pick up the library books you pre-ordered
- Return library books
- Your completed BOM quilt top (aka "flimsy")
- Sign up for the MQG mentoring opportunity (see page 2 for info)



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Friendship Opportunity

Are you looking for someone to join you when you're fabric shopping? Are you looking for someone you can call when you have a quilting challenge? Maybe you would just like to get to know someone from the guild who you could share your plans and ideas with and get a second opinion? Maybe you're an experienced quilter who likes to chat about their challenges and successes.

Sign up on our Friendship List at the Membership Table at the entrance to the meeting room and we'll try to pair you up with someone who lives close by, although that's not always necessary. Of course, you can always approach someone in the guild on your own to make a new quilting connection.

Melanie Blake, Membership Convenor



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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 is almost a reality. We still need:

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

- Vice President
- Workshop Convenor
- Website and Social Media

Darlene Jenah
Newsletter Editor and Part President

MQG 45th Anniversary Gala – TICKETS CONTINUE TO BE ON SALE LAST DATE TO BUY A TICKET IS OCTOBER 5!

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://kingdavistheband.com/>

Tickets are on sale now!
Payment can be made in person by cheque or cash, or by e-transfer.



Don't forget, your guests are welcome!

Please direct inquiries to: mississaugaquiltersguild@gmail.com

Darlene Jenah, 45th Anniversary Gala Coordinator

News from the Library Convenors

We have some new books and Canadian Quilter Magazine issues available for borrowing at the September guild meeting. We will also have Art, Design and Appliqué books for you to peruse. Please return any overdue, and due books to the September meeting. Thank you.

Darlene Harvey and Penka Stoyanova
Library Convenors



2023-24 Program

The Guild is excited to bring you another year of interesting, inspiring, and engaging speakers and presenters.

September 7, 2023 -- Sue Sherman – In Person Trunk Show

Sue Sherman will be presenting a Trunk Show consisting of a mix of her earlier quilts and her current passion of realistic animal quilts. Visit her website: <https://sueshermanquilts.com/>

October 5, 2023 -- Marilyn Farquhar – In Person Title to be determined

Marilyn Farquhar will present a Trunk Show that has been enjoyed by other guilds in the area.
<https://marilynsquiltstudio.wordpress.com/>

November 2, 2023 -- 45th Anniversary Dinner with special guest speaker Kathy Wylie – In Person Credit Valley Golf and Country Club – see page 3 of the newsletter for details and cost.

December 7, 2023 – Our CORE Christmas Social -- In Person

Please come out to participate in a make & take craft and learn a new quilt block for the winter block challenge. More details to follow.

January 4, 2024 -- Krista Moser -- Zoom Meeting

Krista Moser from The Quilted Life <https://www.kristamoser.com/> on “Diamonds are a Girl’s Best Friend”.

February 1, 2024 -- Allie McCathren -- Zoom Meeting

“My Quilting Journey and Creative Process”
<https://exhaustedoctopus.com/>

March 7, 2024 -- Terry Aske -- Zoom Meeting

Terry Aske from B.C. will share the talk she gave at Quilt Canada 2022 entitled, “My Evolution as an Art Quilter - from raw beginner to award winner.” <https://www.terryaskeartquilts.com/Studio/>

April 4, 2024 – TBD – In Person

May 2, 2024 – TBD – In Person

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

*Brenda Bott and Melanie Blake,
Program Convenors*

Day Retreat - Saturday October 21, 2023

Mark your calendars!! Our regular meeting space at Tomken is booked for a day retreat

Date: October 21, 2023
Time: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm
Cost: \$20 per person.

This day is for you to bring your personal projects and enjoy a sewing day with fellow quilters. Bring your lunch, your sewing machine, your UFO's, and any other project you are working on. We will have cutting boards, irons and ironing boards. Stay all day if you want, sew, chat, be inspired by other projects or ask for help to complete your UFO(s). This will be a great opportunity to get to know other members of the guild.

News from the CORE team



*****IMPORTANT NEWS*****

Due to a scheduling conflict at the arena, CORE workshops will now be held on TUESDAYS. Workshops have been booked for:
 TUESDAY September 12 – TO BE CONFIRMED
 TUESDAY October 17
 TUESDAY November 7

As mentioned in June, we are preparing a drop off to Armagh Transition house in early October, There will be 10 new families arriving in late September. We could really use more children's quilts, in the 40 x 50 or 50 x 60 size range. Please pull out some I SPY squares, children's panels and fabrics, and consider making a quilt to add to our inventory. Batting and Backings can be provided to you.

We are donating three quilts for a silent auction at the DAM. We are happy to be able to once again help them out, now that COVID rules have changed.

Completed placemats, pillowcases, and quilts can be handed in at the September and October meetings. Please keep in mind we do not have a meeting in November, and need to plan our deliveries. We will of course continue to collect any items at the December meeting.

The CORE team is planning the December program, we have a fun activity and special show and share to present. More details to follow.




As always, thank you for your continued support, our community partners are very grateful for all you do to brighten someone's day.

Mary Beth, Sandra, and Wendy
 Mary Beth Filegan, *CORE Coordinator*

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<p>Save the Date!</p>	<p>2024 RETREAT</p> <p>Thursday March 21 to Sunday March 24, 2024 Elm Hurst Inn & 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>We have the Grand ballroom for the weekend. We can set up our sewing machines and sew whenever we want. The Inn will supply the irons/ironingboards, lamps, garbage pails and large tables. We have to bring cutting boards, rotary cutters and rulers.</p> <p>The prices for 3 nights and 4 days are: – For a double room - \$755.38 each. – For a single room - \$991.21</p> <p>This includes: 3 Breakfasts, Friday, Saturday and Sunday Lunch on Saturday Dinner on Friday and Saturday Brunch on Sunday Coffee and Tea on Friday afternoon, Saturday morning and afternoon.</p> <p>Friday lunch we will go shopping in Ingersoll and Thursday's dinner will be a pot luck. If you are worried about transportation to Ingersoll, we can organize carpools.</p> <p>Please let Marie Starr know if you are going to attend. Your payment will be needed by December 1st</p> <p>If we don't have enough people from the Guild we will open the retreat to non-members.</p> <p>Details and registration form are on the web site in the Members Only section.</p>
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Membership

Thanks to all of our members who have renewed their memberships for the 2023-2024 quilting year in a timely manner. Membership renewal for the year closes on Oct.1, then Membership lists for the Newsletter are updated and the access password for the Members Only section of the website changes.

I will be collecting Membership forms at our next meeting on Sept. 7. The form now includes all the information on how to renew. It is important I receive an updated form for everyone because on it you are signing that you will abide by our rules (as per the constitution). If you are e-transferring your membership fees please note the password is 22MQG23.

See you all soon!

Melanie Blake, Membership Convenor

Block of the Month



With the summer coming to an end, I'm excited to welcome another guild year with the release of a new original pattern!

This year's Block of the Month pattern is called Stars of the City!

It features a mix of traditional and original star-inspired blocks, uses some of the common piecing methods from past year's patterns, and brings along a few new and exciting challenges, all with consideration for the feedback submitted by members in response to last year's pattern. Thank you all so much!

The full design of the quilt will be revealed at our upcoming meeting on September 7, 2023, held in-person at the Huron Park community centre. Following that meeting, fabric requirements will be posted on the Block of the Month page of the guild website for all of you to access! <https://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/block-of-the-month.html>

I'm looking forward to making another beautiful quilt along with all of you!!

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns, I'm always happy to offer help!

Happy Quilting!

For those of you who are still working on last year's BOM quilts, the instructions will remain available on the block of the month page of the guild website. <https://www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca/block-of-the-month.html>

Valerie Herrmann, Block of the Month Convener



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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

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

Darlene Jenah

September's to do list:

- ✓ Renew your membership
- ✓ Download the CORE stash-friendly block pattern from the website and make a few blocks to donate
- ✓ 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 last 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>.

Dates	Location	Event
Sept. 7 to 9 , 2023	The Quilting Barn, Earlington (north of North Bay)	Northern Quiltfest,
Sept. 8 to 9, 2023	Buckhorn	NEW! Buckhorn Area Quilter's Guild Quilt Show
Sept 8-9, 2023	255 Horton St East, London	London Modern Quilt Guild Show www.londonmodernquiltguildcanada.com
Sept 8-9, 2023	Julie McArthur Arena Owen Sound	Owen Sound Fall Fair
Sept 19-23, 2023	International Plowing Match and Rural Expo (IPM) "The Headwaters of the Grand"	https://www.plowingmatch.org/ipm2023/
Sept 19 to 23, 2023	Quilt tent at Tented City, 284029 County Rd 10, Amaranth, ON	NEW! Quilts of Dufferin Display by the Dufferin Piecemakers Quilting Guild
Sept 29-30, 2023	King St Baptist Church 361 King St E, Cambridge, See Facebook for details	Our Love of Fabric by Busy Hands Quilt Guild & Pieces and Patches Quilters' Guild
Oct 13/14, 2023	Forbe Family Hall at RIM park - 2001 University Ave, Waterloo	2023 WCGG quilt Exhibit
Oct 20-21, 2023	Teeswater-Culross Community Centre	"Tis the season to be Quilting" Five Star Quilters Guild
October 28 -- 29, 2023	Audley Recreation Centre 1955 Audley Road, Ajax, Ontario	Twisted 2023 Quilt Show The Twisted Stitchers https://www.tsqguild.ca/2021-quilt-show