



# Pieceful Pastimes

Mississauga Quilters Guild  
November 2021

**Next Meeting: Thursday Nov 4 by Zoom**  
**Following Meeting: Thursday Dec 2 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! The trees are displaying the full fall colours, the air is getting cooler, it's time to retreat to the indoors for sewing season.

EXCITING NEWS! This month, we are pleased to bring you Julia McLeod, with her Silk and Salvage lecture (Nov 4) and workshop (Nov 6). The Executive Committee has voted to bring you this workshop for FREE for guild members! If you're interested in signing up, please contact Ruthie Snell, This Zoom workshop is first come first served, for Guild Members. If space permits, guests are welcome at the regular workshop price of \$60. Check out her Starting with Silk workshop at <https://juliamcleodquilts.com/workshops/>

**IMPORTANT AND URGENT!!!** We are still looking for members to step up for positions on the Executive Committee. As per my previous email, the need is dire if we are to continue as a Guild. While all positions on the committee are equally important, our search for a Vice President is becoming increasingly worrying. Without a VP this year, we won't have a President for next year. Without a President, we will no longer exist. The ongoing operation of our Guild depends on members getting involved. Please contact Marlene Weaver if you want to protect our Guild from dissolution.

REMINDERS: Placemats for our Meals on Wheels donation are still needed, as are pillowcases for the Comfy Cases project and, as always, please send your quilt photos to Marlene for Show and Share!

Happy Stitching,  
*Darlene Jenah, President*

## Vice President Role

We are still looking for a guild member who is willing and able to take on the role of President next year and would therefore join the Executive this year as VP. Things to remember:

- This is a 4-year commitment: 1 year as Vice President to learn the role, 2 years as acting President, and 1 year as Past President to guide the new incoming candidate
- As President, you are not "doing everything", you are overlooking and guiding the committee members
- You have the full support of previous Presidents, who are always happy to help with any questions and guidance
- You are not "re-inventing the wheel", all protocols and procedures are well in place, but you are able to bring your own ideas to the guild

We are in CRUNCH TIME now - **Without this position being filled, we will no longer be able to operate as a guild next year.**

Contact me to talk it over, if you are interested in stepping up to take on the role of Vice President  
*Marlene Weaver, Past President*

## Community Outreach (Core)

Thanks to all of you for your donations to CORE this month. We received 23 quilts, several Izzy dolls and have a total of 100 placemats for Meals on Wheels so far this year. We also received some wonderful fabric donations.

Our regular CORE workshop will take place on Wednesday, November 10 at Tomken arena from 10:00 to 12:30. If you are interested in attending, please email Wendy. You must be fully vaccinated and wear a mask while in the building. If you are working on a CORE quilt and need some fabric, we will have our boxes of fabric out for you to look at. If you need to baste a CORE quilt and don't have a good spot at home, we have lots of big tables, well spaced out in the room, where you could do your basting.

As always, we have quilt and placemat kits available. Just let one of us know and we will be happy to deliver them to you.

Thank you for your continued support of CORE. It is greatly appreciated.

*Wendy Yule, Kathy Chapman, Sandra Dunlop and Mary Beth Filegan CORE Coordinators*

## Quilts of Valour

During the month of November our thoughts may be focused on Remembrance Day and the people who have defended our country over the years. For many years Quilts of Valour - Canada has recognized the service of many of these soldiers and veterans through the presentation of quilts. A symbol of comfort and caring, these quilts are made by quilters across Canada and presented with the support of the Canadian Armed Forces. Led by our local representative (and Guild member), Virginia Rothwell, we have been a part of the national effort to provide these quilts.

If you are aware of a veteran who should receive a quilt, please visit the website ([www.quiltsofvalour.ca](http://www.quiltsofvalour.ca)) and look for the box on the right of the screen - Request a quilt.

Our group of Quilts of Valour includes members of this guild but others from Peel, Halton, Toronto and beyond offer their talents and skills. Longarm quilters donate their services to complete some of the larger quilts.

During the pandemic was an interesting time for us. Unable to meet in person monthly at a local Legion Hall, we worked away at home, and no one, to my knowledge, ran out of fabric! Either making a top or a finished quilt, they brought them to my home and they were stored there until distribution was possible,

I am glad to say that in the past few months we have been able to supply 92 quilts to military bases in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland/Labrador. Presentations to retired individuals at home or in retirement homes have not been possible although some have been presented in outdoor settings. At present our group is in need of a Presenter to attend any of these presentations. They do not need to be a quilter but are comfortable speaking to groups.

We welcome anyone who would like to contribute their talent and time to join us. Please contact either Shirley Hoad or Lil Budden if you are interested.

*Shirley Hoad*

## Block of the Month

Ready. Set. Go. The second instalment for our mystery will be on our website November 4th. Check it out!

*Linda Ward and Mary Dodd, BOM Convenors*

Please send your Show and Share Pictures for the Guild Meeting to Marlene Weaver  
[Marleneweaver@hotmail.com](mailto:Marleneweaver@hotmail.com)

## Zoom Reminders

The guild has committed to meeting via zoom until at least March 2022. The zoom link is sent out the week of the guild meeting. Need help with zoom? Checkout the videos the Royal City Quilters Guild have on their website: <https://royalcityquiltersguild.ca/zoom-how-to/>



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*Please remember to mute during the zoom meetings if you are not speaking. A red line through your microphone indicates you are muted. The microphone symbol may be in the top right or bottom left of your screen depending on the device you use.*

*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.*

## Program

Learn more about our speakers by pressing Ctrl+Click on their links below.

So far, we had the pleasure of listening to:

September 2021: Paul Leger's - *My Journey in Quilting*. <http://www.paullegerquilts.com>

October 7, 2021 – Dawn Hunt – *Valuing Your Quilts*. <http://www.fibrework.com/>

Stay tuned for:

### **November 4, 2021 - Julia McLeod – Silk and Salvage, a Story of Collaboration**

An international award-winning quilt maker living and working in Northern California, just east of San Francisco.

Julia discovered quilt making on her travels through the small Amish towns of Pennsylvania. Since 2016 she has specialized in making silk quilts, sourcing her fabrics from neckties, clothing and furnishing fabrics. She has a passion for reuse and recycling, which leads to rescuing vintage blocks and textiles. These reclaimed fabrics are usually the starting point of her quilts. [www.juliamcleodquilts.com](http://www.juliamcleodquilts.com)

### **December 2, 2021 – Seasons Greetings!**

A short presentation from Paul Leger. Virtual games to follow.!

### **January 6, 2022 – Kim Caskey – Tour of Japan**

Kim is not only a longarm quilter, instructor and designer but a tour host. On January 6, 2022, we will enjoy a tour of Japan. [www.kimcaskey.ca](http://www.kimcaskey.ca)

### **February 3, 2022 - Jackie White – Trunk Show**

Jackie White is a designer, quilter, pattern creator and lover of all things handmade. Her passion lies in fabric and design. [www.jackiewhitequilts.com](http://www.jackiewhitequilts.com)

**March 3, 2022 – Melissa Marginet – Myth: Quilting is an Expensive Hobby**

Melissa loves to teach, especially quilting, and to share her knowledge. She is a DIY quilter from beginning to end and encourages others to do the same. She believes there are no right or wrong way, there are different ways. Each person needs to find what works best for them.

**April 7, 2022 – Nancy McCracken – Trunk Show**

Nancy started her quilting career at age 40. With Jill Petit as her mentor, she learned piecing, paper piecing, appliqué, persistence, and stamina.

Nancy have won several quilting awards which includes a group award of excellence and individual award from CQA.

**May 5, 2022 – Robin Bogaert – Trunk Show**

Robin is a long arm quilter, owner, and creator of *Quilting in the Loft*. As a past owner of a quilt shop in Windsor, Ontario, she has years of valuable experience. Robin's roots in quilting are traditional, however she appreciates modern quilt design. Robin considers the focus of work to be professional quilting, teaching classes, designing, free motion quilting, ruler work and thread painting. [www.quiltingintheloft.com](http://www.quiltingintheloft.com)

*Paula Lee-Len, Program Convenor*

**Workshops**

Workshops for 2021-2022

All workshops will be virtual until April and will cost \$50. April and May workshops will hopefully be in person, and will cost \$70.

Julia McLeod: “Starting with Silk” Free for members on first come first serve basis [www.juliamcleodquilts.com](http://www.juliamcleodquilts.com)  
November 6th, 10-3

Phyllis Cullen: “All About the Face” - [www.phylliscullenartstudio.com](http://www.phylliscullenartstudio.com)  
January 8th, 10-3

Jackie White: “3-D Flower”, [www.jackiewhitequilts.com](http://www.jackiewhitequilts.com)  
February 5th, 10-3

Melissa Marginet: “Planning your Walking Foot Quilting”, [www.melissamarginet.ca](http://www.melissamarginet.ca)  
March 12th 10-3

Nancy McCracken: “Collage Quilts” An in-person class and Tomken Arena  
April 9th, 10-3

Robin Bogaert: “Ruler Quilting”, [www.quiltingintheloft.com](http://www.quiltingintheloft.com). An in-person class  
May 7th 10-3

*Ruthie Snell and Elizabeth McDowell, Workshop Convenors*

**WE NOW HAVE ROOM**

Wendy Yule and I spent an afternoon in August cleaning our storage room at Tomken – Quilt Show cupboard and shelving unit. Now we have some cupboard space and spare shelf space. While cleaning I discovered that we are missing some MQG property ex. the projector that we purchased when I was president. If you have been storing some things at home because there didn't seem to be space for them, we would now welcome them back and find room for them. As we still need to make an appointment to go into Tomken and access our storage area please call me or email me and I will arrange a time for you to drop things off. Thanks for storing things for us but we can now welcome them back.

*Diane McCullough*

## Library

We are still in the process of verifying our materials for circulation. Once that has been completed the library section of our website can be updated.

*Diane McCullough*  
*Jane Crockford*

## 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 [helen.lemke@gmail.com](mailto:helen.lemke@gmail.com) (please include MQG in the subject so it doesn't get lost in my inbox)

**Deadline for December Newsletter: November 18, 2021**

**Deadline for future Newsletters:**

January – no newsletter.

February – January 20, 2022

March – February 17, 2022

April – March 24, 2022

May – April 21, 2022

June – May 19, 2022

September – August 18, 2022

## Membership

Corrections are being distributed for the membership list to all members. Our membership stands at 97 people.

*Melanie Blake, Membership.*

## Comfy Cases



We've received new fabric donations, and I have kits ready to go! Let me know if you'd like to sew up some pillowcases, and I'll be happy to do the drop-off and pick-up.

With much thanks to everyone who has joined the "Comfy Cases" team!

*Marlene Weaver, Past President*

## CQA

Check out the website for upcoming lectures. You can find the list of lectures here:

<http://canadianquilter.com/2021-webinars> This month the speakers are Melissa Marginet and Mary Pal. Tickets are available on the website.

Also check out the challenges for Quilt Canada 2022. The kits for Trendtex Refresh Challenge are available for purchase now for CQA members and on November 1<sup>st</sup> for non-members. There's a Rewire challenge for members and a Real Fun Youth Challenge for youth up to 19 years of age. Entries for this challenge need a CQA member to sponsor it. Finally, there is a Reaffirm challenge for member guild. This requires fabric colours to represent our province blue some red. The guild votes which challenge is their favorite and submits it. Details for all the challenges can be found here: <https://canadianquilter.com/cqa-acc-quilt-challenges-2022/>

## Other Possibilities

- There are two zoom sewing sessions for you to join each week. Wednesday evening starting at 6:30 and Thursday afternoon starting at 1:30. You can stitch away while visiting with other members. I've used several Thursday afternoon sessions to help keep me entertained while working on tedious jobs like tracing over 500 shapes for a quilt. Now the applique can begin. Members are working on various projects. You don't necessarily need to sew. You can sit and visit or work on something else. Look for the email reminder with the link on Mondays.

*Helen Anne Lemke, Newsletter Convenor*

### Social

I've been enjoying apple crisp this fall. This is similar to the recipe I use: <https://www.thechunkychef.com/old-fashioned-easy-apple-crisp/> I have a small dish and make one serving at a time. Do you have a recipe suggestion? Please email me a link.

Helen Anne Lemke

### Retreat 2022

The Retreat at Elmhurst Inn & Spa is happening from February 24, 2022, to February 27 2022 barring any more COVID-19 interruptions.

The enrolment form and instructions are on the website.

After 1 November registration will be open to non-members so sign up fast.

Contact Pam Sawyer for more details at [psawyer007@hotmail.com](mailto:psawyer007@hotmail.com)

Pam Sawyer

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 Virtual classes on Wed mornings AND available later on YouTube  
**FACEBOOK LIVE!**  
 Nov 4 & 18—6.30 pm  
 New fabric, sale fabric, draw prizes and giggles!  
 COBWEBS & CAVIAR, 147 Main St. W., Shelburne, ON

### Upcoming Events

Westmount Congregation, Orillia and Westmount Quilting Events (our quilting group) are hosting an On Line sale called Our Handmade Christmas as a Facebook event located at <https://www.facebook.com/events/994625191083653> from November 12 at 8 a.m. to November 15 at 6 p.m. Just use this link to go to the sale, then click on Discussion to see the articles for sale. You are most welcome to view the articles any time but selling begins on November 12. Still LOTS more items to add. For more information contact [petejordan10@sympatico.ca](mailto:petejordan10@sympatico.ca)

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