

# Quiltations

The Newsletter of Quilters' Connection  
Waltham, Massachusetts

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## Next Meeting

Monday, November 14, 2016  
Meeting at 7:00 PM

Gann Academy  
333 Forest St  
Waltham, MA 02452  
Doors open at 5:30pm

Getting to Gann Academy  
{[http://www.gannacademy.org/  
page/Campus-Life/Transportation](http://www.gannacademy.org/page/Campus-Life/Transportation)}

## Future Meeting Dates

Bentley University  
LaCava Exec Dining Room  
Monday, January 9, 2017  
Monday, February 13, 2017  
Monday, March 13, 2017  
Monday, April 3, 2017  
Monday, May 8, 2017

## Workshops

January 7 & 8, 2017  
February 11 & 12, 2017  
March 11 & 12, 2017  
April 1 & 2, 2017

## **Volunteerism. That's what it's all about.**

I encourage each of you to step up and volunteer. Quilters' Connection is a dynamic quilting group celebrating its fortieth year as a quilt guild. So much has changed and so much is still the same. We are dependent upon one another volunteering to keep the organization alive and energetic, worthwhile, fun, cool, interesting, exciting, invigorating, and a happening place to want to participate and encourage others to join in. Get involved with the Executive Board. Assist with Programs. Many hands make light work.

**Participate!** Step up to assist with the upcoming Quilt Show! Sign up to make a Red Ruby for the fund raiser at the show! Share your ideas and be willing to help make them happen! It's like that story about the village.... We need each of us to work together to make this the greatest guild ever! Think about getting more involved. Clean up your sewing space and find some treasures to donate for the raffle baskets. Remember the fabulous baskets at our auction in May? Karen Hohler has volunteered to assemble more baskets to sell at the quilt show. Bring your orphan fat quarters and fabric scraps to the November meeting.

**Support the Arts!** Join the New England Quilt Museum. Attend art exhibits and support local quilt shows. Shop at the local fabric stores. Take workshops and support the artists who teach new techniques. Make art! Create your own blog! Learn a new technique. Share your knowledge. Make comfort quilts and quilts of valor.

**Valarie Poitier** – Come to the November meeting for a wonderful treat! Valarie Poitier will be providing an inspirational lecture and trunk show you will not want to miss. Bring a friend – guest fee is only \$10.

## Executive Board

President: Ann Bonsett

Vice President: G Wong

Secretary: Karen Hohler

Treasurer: Pat Morris Beeler

Programs: Norma Biggins

Membership:

Mary Gillis

Ellen Ackerman

Quilt Show:

Tricia Deck

Mary Walter

Member at Large:

Rosemary Koch

Newsletter:

Stephanie Laurin

Sue Stemporzewski

## Board of Directors

2016-2019 Michelle David

2016-2018 Donna Jean Downer

2016-2017 Nancy Crasco

Past President: Deborah Rocha

Current President: Ann Bonsett

**Submit articles for Jan  
Quiltations in MS Word  
by Dec 28**

## Programs

*A Quilters Journey...*

*Beyond the Needle and Thread.*

From traditional quilter, technique novice to master of the craft our next speaker Valarie Poitier has documented her journey in a powerful PowerPoint presentation and trunk show that will answer many questions about quilt techniques, fiber arts, art quilts, a body of cohesive work and exhibiting. You will be entertained and "empowered to create".

## Membership News

NEW: QC Membership Booklets have been printed, listing all the members and our calendar. If you didn't attend the October members' meeting, you will still be able to get them at our next meeting, November 14th. You can't miss them - they are bright red to celebrate our RUBY Anniversary.

We will have **TWO raffle prizes** in November! That means there will be **TWO WINNERS**. All it takes is a \$1.00 ticket. Or, you can purchase 8 tickets for \$5.00. Donations go towards future programs for our members. The prizes are great and worth way more than \$5.00! (Estimated value is between \$45 to \$75 for each basket).

If you have any fabric or items you wish to donate for the November or January raffle, please notify Ellen Ackerman.

It's not too late to join QC, so encourage your friends and other guild members to join. Guest fees are \$10.00.

We have a lot to offer our members, including an incredible **Quilt Show** in June!

See you in November!  
Ellen Ackerman & Mary Gillis  
Membership Co-Chairs

## **Future Programs:**

Monday January 9, 2017 – Timna Tarr  
Monday February 13, 2017– Mary Leahy (Robert Kauffman fabrics)  
Monday March 13, 2017 – Thomas Knauer  
Monday April 3, 2017 – Frances Holliday Alford  
Monday May 8, 2017 – Annual Business Meeting (speaker TBA)

## **Workshop Schedule:**

*Timna Tarr* – Improvisational Piecing  
Workshops: Saturday January 7 and Sunday January 8 2017

*Norma Biggins* - Cathedral Gems (a New Take on the Cathedral Window)  
Workshops: Saturday February 11 and Sunday February 12 2017

*Thomas Knauer* – Secret Code Quilt (designed for QC “Ruby”)  
Workshops: Saturday March 11 and Sunday March 12 2017

*Frances Holliday Alford* - Special Design for QC (to be announced)  
Workshops: Saturday April 1 and Sunday April 2 2016

We know it will be a wonderful year, with great opportunities for us all to grow on our quilting journeys!

## **QC Quilt Show Update**

We have a name for our show!

## **Quilters’ Connection Celebrates Forty Years of Fabulous Quilting**

Ruby Red Block Progress-

An amazing 74 members have signed up for our Ruby Red Exhibit!

That means we only have 26 spots open to meet our goal of 100 participants creating a block.

Detailed information for the Ruby Red Block’s appears in this newsletter with a link to a photo how-to on the QC webpage.

Mary & Tricia will have a sign-up sheet and fabric samples to reserve a canvas during November’s meeting or contact Mary Walter.

In celebration of our Ruby Anniversary we will be creating a tote for sale featuring nine of our Ruby Red Blocks. The blocks appearing on the tote will be chosen by popular vote from our fabulous Ruby Red Block submissions.

In addition to the tote bag a 2018 keepsake CD calendar featuring all 100 Ruby Red blocks will be available for sale at our quilt show.

There are still opportunities for more members to help before during and after our show. Contact Tricia Deck to sign up.

**QUILTERS CONNECTION SPONSORED WEEKEND GETAWAY**  
**JANUARY 12-16, 2017 (Martin Luther King Weekend)**

Come join us for a fun filled weekend with other quilters at Bayside Resort Hotel, West Yarmouth, MA –on Cape Cod. You have several options – you can come for the entire weekend – 5 days and 4 nights or come for only part of the weekend -- for 3 days and 2 nights. The bayside property is about 30 miles from the Cape Cod National Seashore and about 90 miles from Boston. Bayside has an indoor pool, Bar/lounge, 24 hour front desk, arcade/game room, smoke-free property pet free property , fitness facilities and breakfast is the only meal included with your package. You can feel free to bring your own food – microwaves are available.

Sewing space is well lit and on the lower level – on level with the ocean and breakfast is also on the lower level. All rooms are up one flight from the sewing room. There is free Wi-Fi and a refrigerator in all rooms. One drawback, there is no elevator. You can drive up to within 40 feet of the sewing room and unload your car and then park it around the building closer to the sleeping rooms. Bayside provides irons & ironing boards along with all tables for our use including cutting mats. There is a good deal of sewing space per person.

Bayside provides a continental breakfast which includes several variety of cereals, fresh fruit ( apples, bananas, oranges), a variety of breads, muffins, danishes, bagels, hard boiled eggs, waffles, juices and coffee, tea, etc. There are several restaurants within close proximity should you wish to go out for lunch and dinner. There are a few food restaurants close by who deliver providing you have a minimum of 6 orders

Tumbleweed is about 20 minutes from Bayside, and there is a Joann’s about 7 minutes away, should you forget something you need desperately. There is a lot of shopping, should you need a break.

This getaway is limited to 24 people – You can get a single room or share a double room. The prices below are per person. You do not have to be a Quilters Connection member – friends are welcome. You have several options – you can come for the entire weekend – 5 days and 4 nights or less – see the 4 options below. Check-in on Thursday is at noon and checkout on Monday is 11AM, but we can sew until 3pm.

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| <b>Thursday, January 12 thru Monday, January 16th</b><br><b>5 days and 4 nights</b> | <b>\$250.00</b>    | <b>\$475.00</b>    |
| <b>Thursday, Jan. 12 thru Sunday, January 15th</b><br><b>4 days and 3 nights</b>    | <b>\$200.00</b>    | <b>\$375.00</b>    |
| <b>Friday, January 13 thru Monday, January 16th</b><br><b>4 days and 3 nights</b>   | <b>\$200.00</b>    | <b>\$375.00</b>    |
| <b>Friday, January 13 thru Sunday, January 15th</b><br><b>3 days and 2 nights</b>   | <b>\$150.00</b>    | <b>\$275.00</b>    |

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If you are interested in joining your fellow quilters, please email RoseMary Koch of your interest. She will hold a room for you until your check is received. Since the timing is so close to January, the entire monies are due now to hold these rooms. The cancellation policy is 60 days prior, which means, we cannot cancel after November 11th, 2016 without penalty. We pulled this getaway together quickly based on interest and requests by several members to have a getaway in the winter. Please note that all checks must be made out to Quilters’ Connection and mailed to RoseMary Koch @ 100 Brand Street, Arlington, MA 02474. You cannot book directly with Bayside, nor can you book thru Travelocity or any other Internet means. If you have any questions, please feel free to call RoseMary Koch at 781-646-1293.

# QUILTERS CONNECTION GETAWAY – JANUARY 2017

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Print Your **FIRST NAME** as it Should Appear on Your Name Tag:

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: Name & Phone of contact person:

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ROOMMATE(S) NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATES YOU WILL ATTEND: \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Quilters Connection Ruby Red Fundraiser is Underway

September's guild meeting was a flurry of excitement with old and new friends meeting. If you missed the meeting or the sign-up sheet to participate in the Ruby Red project, you can view the samples and reserve a canvas with Mary Walter at our October Meeting. Our goal is to have 100 participants for our 40th anniversary exhibition.

**You can choose any style and *color of red* to make for your Ruby Red block. Just make sure your creation will fit on a 10 x 10 canvas top with a plain border for attaching onto the canvas. Any technique is acceptable; threadwork, embroidery, crewel, beading, buttons, piecing, applique, printed or solid fabrics etc. as long as it is red and white.**

For additional construction information visit the QC Web page for Mary's photo How To.

Have your Ruby Red artwork ready for our March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Free Workshops where our show volunteer team will mount your artwork on your reserved canvas for display.

Our Ruby Red canvasses will be featured during our Quilt Show and auctioned off for just \$40 each to celebrate our 40th Ruby Anniversary.

Mary Walter

## It's time once again to celebrate Friends & Family at Christmas Tree Shops and That!

### **Where**

All Christmas Tree Shops and That!, or, and That! locations; Online at [christmastreeshops.com](http://christmastreeshops.com)

### **When**

**Tuesday, November 8, 2016** through **Tuesday, November 15, 2016**.

### **How to participate in the Event?**

- Coupons are on line in PDF form and can be printed from their website
- Print as many copies of the sheet as needed to distribute to your friends, family, neighbors, etc.
- **In-Store**

Visit any Christmas Tree Shops and That! or and That! location. Coupon users may checkout at ANY REGISTER during the Friends & Family event! Transactions will be processed as a regular sale.

### **Online**

Enter promo code **FNF20OFF** upon checkout at [christmastreeshops.com](http://christmastreeshops.com). Standard shipping fees apply.

### **Are there any exclusions during the Event?**

Please note the following exclusions apply:

The 20% off coupon is not valid with any other offer and is not valid for prior purchases, gift cards, shipping or sales tax. The coupon must be surrendered at the time of purchase.

## **Upcoming Comfort Quilt Workshop**

Saturday, Dec. 3 at Brookhaven, 1010 Waltham St, Lexington. 9-4

[Lunch will be provided at workshop. We will have lots of hand work for people without sewing machines. Bindings to attach, teddy bears to stuff, quilts to tie and to pin baste, and more. We will also have lots of quilt kits and sewing for those who bring a machine. Come for an hour, or two, or join us all day for a really fun and very worthwhile project. jhnorberg@gmail.com](#)

## **Upcoming Quilt Shows and Quilt Related Events**

### **Connections Quilt Festival**

November 10-12, 2016 Nashua NH

Holiday Inn Exit 4

### **Vermont Quilt Festival Retreat**

Thursday, March 16 through Sunday, March 19, 2017

Lake Morey Resort, 1 Clubhouse Road, Fairlee, VT

[http://vqf.org/files/2016/VQF%20Retreat%20Information\\_n.pdf](http://vqf.org/files/2016/VQF%20Retreat%20Information_n.pdf)

### **Quilters' Connection**

Winter Free Workshop – Watch for Details

Saturday, March 25, 2017

### **Northern Star Quilters' Guild Presents May 6-7, 2017**

A World of Quilts XXXVIII- 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show

O'Neill Center – Western CT State University

West Side Campus, 43 Lake Ave. Extension

Danbury, CT 06811 Featured Guest Lecturer: Mary Fons

[Quiltshow@northernstarquilters.com](mailto:Quiltshow@northernstarquilters.com)

### **Quilters' Connection Quilt Show – Celebrating 40 Years**

Quilt Show Set-Up – Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

Keynote Lecture – Friday Evening, June 9<sup>th</sup>

Quilt Show Runs Saturday -Sunday June 10-11, 2017

Bentley University, Waltham, MA

Watch for details: [www.quiltersconnection.org](http://www.quiltersconnection.org)

### **Material Girls Quilt Guild**

Leominster, MA

20 Bountiful Years Quilt Show

Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24

### **Vermont Quilt Festival**

June 23-25, 2017

Essex Junction, VT



# COMPASS POINTS E-NEWSLETTER

## New England Quilt Museum

nequiltmuseum.org

18 Shattuck St

Lowell, Massachusetts 01852

978 452 4207

**NOVEMBER 2016**

**On View through December 31**



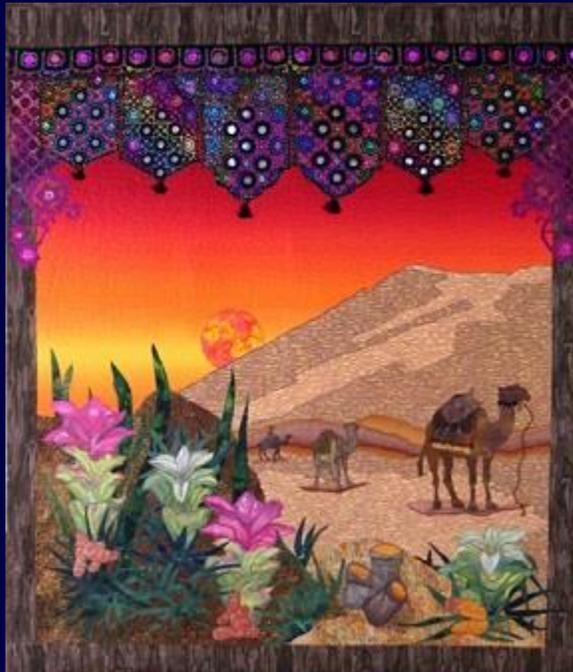
**America's Applique Quilts**

**from the Private Collection of Pat and Arlan Christ**

**Now through December 31, 2016**

[\*\*MORE INFO\*\*](#)

**Coming Soon**



*Tumeric Caravan - Ann Reardon, Sanibel, FL*

**ALONG THE SPICE ROUTE**

**A Journey in 41 Wall Quilts**

**November 23, 2016 - February 11, 2017**

**Museum Store Sale**

**Museum Store Holiday Sale**

**Sat, Dec 3 - 10 am - 4 pm**

**NEQM members and their guests receive 20% all purchases**



**Bring your holiday list and discover unique toys for babies and children, an elegant selection of jewelry and accessories, and handcrafted items made here in New England. Consider a gift certificate or membership. Best of all, your purchases support the Museum's nonprofit mission!**

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## NEQM Fall Events

### **Brown Bag Lecture**

Thurs, Nov 3 · 12:30 pm

Quiltmaker and appraiser Bonnie Dwyer presents "Star Quilts" from her personal collection  
(FREE to members and included with admission for non-members)

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### **Annual Meeting of Guild Representatives and Presidents of NEQM Supporting Guilds**

Mon, Nov 7 · 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

Please RSVP to [director@nequiltmuseum.org](mailto:director@nequiltmuseum.org)

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### **Enjoy a day of free demonstrations**

Wed, Nov 16 · 10 am - 3 pm

Members of the Hannah Dustin Quilt Guild host a day of demonstrations and quilt raffle at NEQM  
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### **Curator's Reception & Gallery Talk**

Sat, Dec 3 · 11 am

Collectors Pat and Arlan Christ discuss *America's Applique Quilts*, on view through Dec 31st  
(FREE to members and included with admission for non-members)

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### **Now through April**

Wednesday - Saturday  
10 am - 4 pm

### **May through October**

Tuesday - Saturday  
10 am - 4 pm  
Sunday, Noon - 4 pm

Admission \$8

Free to members and children under 12

## **Reminder: November's Meeting is being held at Gann Academy**

**All email addresses and phone numbers were omitted from articles for security purposes**