

Quiltations

The Newsletter of Quilters' Connection

October 2013

2013/2014 Meeting Calendar

October 21, 2013 – Pat Pauly
November 4, 2013 - Bea Grayson
January 13, 2014 – Jo Diggs
February 10, 2014 – Jane Davila
March 10, 2014 – Valerie Goodwin
April 14 2014 – Linda Schmidt
May 19, 2014 – Annual Business Mtg.

Annual Quilt Show

May 30, 31 and June 1, 2014

All events are held at
The Arsenal Center for the Arts
321 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA

Doors open at 6pm
Meetings start at 7:30pm

THANK YOU

I know the New Members' Reception was a resounding success because nothing was left at the end of the evening. A huge THANK YOU to all who stuffed envelopes, brought a variety of goodies, helped set up at the beginning, and then helped clean up at the end (including Martin).

Nancy Howard

President's Letter

Dear Lovers of Quilts,

Last month's Show'n'Tell was proof positive that QC is made up of a diverse group of creative and exacting quilters. The pictures will be up soon. If you are hungry for pictures, you will find some gorgeous ones of our last quilt show on the website.

Would you like to meet with a small group of QC members who share the same passion for a particular quilting technique or style? There are already a few such groups within the guild, and we are hoping to help organize more special interest groups. Stop by the information table and pick up a flyer.

For the coming QC Quilt Show we will have a silent auction of CHALLENGE quilts. The title of the challenge is THE FOUR SEASONS. Here are the rules:

1. Within a perimeter of 96", create a reflection of nature in one of the four seasons.
2. That's it! You can make as many challenge quilts as you wish, using any technique, traditional or way out there. Freedom, folks, is a lovely thing!

Don't miss the October 21 meeting - Pat Pauly will be showing us her own special brand of freedom.

Until then,
Deborah

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Membership News

Please sign in when you arrive for our meetings. This information will be used to determine adequate space needs for our membership when and if we move from our present location. Also, associate members, please remember that you can attend two meetings before you need to pay as a guest. If you have any questions concerning your membership or need to update your information, contact Sharon Monahan, sgm02081@comcast.net or Debbie Kuhlman-Hussey, dkhussey@hotmail.com.



TREASURER'S REPORT

On August 31, 2013, the Guild had the following account balances at Bank of America:

Checking	\$14,692.60
Savings	\$10,017.74

The annual insurance premium has been paid, and the monthly rent to the ACA is automatically transferred. The rent has been adjusted by +\$20 per month, as per the contract.

Marie and Robert Cotton

PROGRAMS UPDATE

Workshop Registration

Once again we had a great response and positive feedback for our five QC workshop programs. A special thank you to everyone who staffed the tables before our September meeting - Ann Bonsett, Donna Jean Downer, Anna Oberlander and Kathy Warren - and to Susan Monjan who is instrumental in compiling the results!

Susan is working hard to process the workshop registrations and she does her very best to make sure that everyone gets their first and hopefully second choice. For those who registered for Pat Pauly's workshop the final class list will be posted on the QC website no later than Monday October 7, 2013.

Supply lists for all workshops are posted on the QC website.

In October we'll kick off our speaker presentations with Pat Pauly from Rochester New York. Pat's work in textiles began in 1980 when she turned to fiber as her medium of choice. She is known for her improvisational techniques and use of bold color and unusual juxtapositions of printed and painted fabric. Please join us for her presentation on Monday night October 21st!

Join us on November 4th for Bea Grayson's presentation entitled "MY JOURNEY ... up to now". Bea will take us on her journey from her mother's sewing table, through art school, to her current art studio where she creates quilted and collaged pieces as well as teaches process classes involving exercises for the mastery of elements and principles of design. Bea will show her work, the work of others and will also have a small trunk show.

See you at the October 21st meeting!

Deborah Gonet

COMFORT QUILTS:

We had a fantastic turnout at the workshop on October 5 at Brookhaven in Lexington. 68 people came, and we got right to work. We had tables set up to tie quilts, tables for hand sewing (teddy bears, therapy dolls, and quilt bindings), and had many sewing machines set up around the room. The auditorium was a terrific spot with great space to spread out and get many quilts finished. Brookhaven made us a delicious lunch, and we feasted on goodies all day!!

Many quilts and bears will be delivered in the next few weeks thanks to so many very hard (and dedicated) workers.

Our next workshop is going to be held on Saturday December 7 at St. Margarets in Burlington (on Winn Street). The church is donating this space free of charge, but you must check your email, or contact Jane Norberg on Friday Dec. 6 to check that its a "go". If there is a funeral, and if they need the hall, we will be bumped. (Hardly ever happens, I am told!) See you there!



Winter Free Workshop!

We have set the date for our **Winter Free Workshop**, a fun day by the members, for the members of our great guild. Mark your calendars for [Saturday, March 15th \(8:30 to 5pm\)](#) at [St. Brigid's Church, Keilty Hall, 2001 Massachusetts Avenue, Lexington.](#) We are seeking teachers willing to teach a 3-hour workshop...something that can be finished in a 3-hour session or a technique that can be learned in the same amount of time. If interested in teaching, please write one of your committee members in alpha order: Eve Beland ebeland@verizon.net; Monica Mehigan Monicamehigan@yahoo.com; or Julie Weinstein julie.weinstein4@gmail.com. Any one of us are happy to answer questions or take your information, thanks. We will announce further information in upcoming newsletters and meetings, but save the date!



Nancy Crasco will exhibit recent works as part of a Three Person Show at the Towne Art Gallery at Wheelock College, (www.wheelock.edu/art) 180 The Riverway, Boston MA from September 17 through October 17, 2013. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Thursday 1-5PM and Saturday 2-5PM. Closed on Columbus Day, October 12th, but open on Monday, October 14 from 10-2PM. Artists will give a gallery talk on October 2nd, from 3:30-4:30PM.

Donna Morales-Oemig's new quilt, Henri: King of the Jungle, was accepted into A Quilters' Gathering. According to Donna, "I rarely enter quilts in anything but guild shows, but Henri fit in with the Superstitions theme."

The annual exhibition, Quilts=Art=Quilts, at the Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center in Auburn, NY will include the quilt "Eat Your Peas III" by Sandy Gregg, and "Reflections 2" by Diane Franklin. The exhibition will be open from October 27 until January 5.

Sandy was interviewed by Martha Sielman in the August/September 2013 issue of QUILTING ARTS. "Reflections 2" was also exhibited this summer at the Lincoln Center Art Center in Fort Collins, CO Also, Diane's quilt, "Zebra Crossing" was shown at the Whistler Art Museum exhibition this past August through September.

Saturday, October 26, 2013, 9:30am-4:30pm
SHIBORI DYEING WITH INDIGO WORKSHOP
with Carol Anne Grotrian
Experience the magic and learn about the care and feeding of an indigo vat, using synthetic indigo. We'll create samples of some basic shibori patterns on cotton cloth using the indigo vat.

Please send your News & Notes to wnwasserman@aol.com

Concord Piecemakers Biennial Quilt Show, 2013

"Basket of Quilts"

October 25th, Friday from 10AM to 6PM

October 26th, Saturday from 10AM to 4PM

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

435 Central St., Acton MA

Exit #41 off Route 2

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Exhibiting over 100 traditional and contemporary quilts, vintage quilts and related quilt items. Boutique, Vendors, Raffle Quilt, Themed Raffle Baskets, Homemade Cookie Sale, Cafe for snack and lunch, Scavenger hunt and more.

Free Parking, Handicap Accessible, Admission \$7, children under 12 free.

For additional information: [www.concordpiecemakers.org](http://www.concordpiecemakers.org)

**26th Annual Rising Star Quilters Guild Show and Sale**

**Saturday & Sunday, October 26 and 27, 2013**

**Times- Saturday: 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday: 11 am to 4 pm**

**Location: Cary Memorial Hall**

**1605 Massachusetts Avenue in Lexington Center, MA**

- Boutique
- Cafe
- Demonstrations
- Raffle quilt and Mini-quilt Raffle
- Raffle baskets
- Scavenger hunts for kids and adults!
- Vendors
- challenge quilts: this year's challenge is Two by Two!

Saturday: park in the municipal lots in Lexington Center. Sunday: park behind Cary Hall. Handicap parking is available in the driveway in front of Cary Hall. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to REACH Beyond Domestic Violence

Admission \$6.00. Children 12 years and under free!

**Hello Quilters Connection Members:**

I encourage you to participate in the Adopt-A-Fabric Program. We have attached a short summary of how the Program works. This is an opportunity for you to sell some of your quilting/craft items and receive cash \$\$\$ for it. We all have stuff in our stash that we no longer want, or need, or have duplicated, and so on and so on. Anything craft related or sewing related, including yarns & threads, rulers, paints, misc. notions – there is too much to mention. Of course, let us not forget the fabric and remember, it does not have to be yardage – fat quarters, strips, blocks and even quilt tops. A bag of scraps will also sell. Most of us have noticed that our taste and color preference has changed with time. Consider selling these items at the AAFP program and give someone else an opportunity to purchase it at a good price. Remember – “One’s discards are always someone else’s treasure”. If you have any questions about the program, please feel free to call me in the evening: 781-646-1293. Thank you. **RoseMary Koch**

# ADOPT-A-FABRIC

What is Adopt-a-Fabric???

Adopt-A-Fabric will allow you to sell those pieces of fabric that you decided you did not want anymore, or pieces leftover from a quilt, or just some blocks that you cannot use, or books you no longer need, or items you have duplicates of. Anything that is sewing, quilt related, fabric or notion related, or craft related, can be put into the adopt-a-fabric system.

Put the smaller items in a ziploc bag with a 3 X 5" card. Or if it is a book, please use masking tape to tape the card to the back of the book. On this card, write your name, phone number and a brief description of the item and how much you wish to charge for these items.

- Examples:
- 1/2 yard Hoffman Batiks, \$2.00
  - or: 4 fat quarters blue cottons, prewashed - asking \$2.25
  - or: Book: Fantasies and Flowers, By Kumiko Sudo  
originally \$25.00. For Sale: \$5.00
  - or: Batting: Polyester, never used - double size -- Asking \$6.00
  - or: 3" strips (approximately 30 strips, or the  
equivalent to 2 1/2 yards)  
cottons only Asking \$4.00
  - or: 8 spools of Guterman cotton thread: asking \$ 4.00

As you can see, the fabric does not have to be yardage: fat quarters, or strips, or even scraps are okay. Books are a good thing, ribbons, trimmings, and even threads will sell.

Quilter's Connection takes 10% of all monies. You put out your "for sale items" when you arrive at Quilters Connection at the beginning of the evening ~ 6:30 or so -- outside the auditorium, then, just before the meeting starts, (approx. 7:30pm), you must come back to the table to pick up what was not sold. If you forget, we will leave the items on the table for you to pick up at the end of the meeting. Quilters' Connection will not be responsible for any items left on the table. It is your responsibility to check in at the table to see what has not been sold and take it back home.

At the next meeting you will be given an envelope with the total amount of what was sold the month before less 10%. We will include one of the 3X5 cards with your monies so you can see what was sold. At some point, the QC Board will decide what to do with the 10% monies: Suggestions are welcome. In the past, the monies have been donated to the Quilt Museum, and to other charities.

If you did not bring anything tonight, perhaps you could check your stash - all corners where you hide these goodies -- to see what you may want to sell the following month. Adopt-a-Fabric runs every month unless otherwise specified.

If you have any questions, please contact RoseMary Koch - 781-646-1293.

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