

Around the Quilt Patch

Pieces & Patches Quilt Guild Jackson, Michigan

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From the President

It's April already where the time changes, flowers are peeking out of the ground, trees are budding, baby animals are being born, birds are returning, the turkeys are active, more deer are hit on the road and skunks, opossums, and raccoons are everywhere.



SPRING!! I live in a rural area and see all of God's creation every day! I love living in Michigan for its seasonal splendor. (sorry snowbirds. Lol)

You already know there is a fabulous Guild Challenge and it is coming to a close. At the April 25th meeting we will see all the artists in their wearable art. Janet Rochefort's enthusiasm is infectious, creating several interesting entries. I can't wait to see what everyone has made and the awesome fashion show that night.

Thank you for creating donations for all the charities, the items are really appreciated. Our approved charities are not money makers for the Guild, however the more complete you make your item the easier it is to get them to those in need. We do have a few long-armers that will quilt for us but they do not do the binding. No worries if you are not able to make items, you can also donate batting, backing, binding a quilt, or monetarily.

Please make an effort to attend the monthly meetings to make friends, have fun, and enjoy the wonderful events and programs. Make your Guild the best place to be on a Monday night. Ask where and how you can get involved. Many hands make for light work.

Please also note: the May membership meeting will be one week early on Monday May 23rd at 7p.m because of Memorial Day.

God's blessing to you all,

Bev Smith President

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April 25, 2022

Guild Meeting: "PPQG Challenge for 2021-22 - Wearable Art"

May 23, 2022

Guild Meeting: "Trunk Show by Doris Larson" Workshop (Tuesday, May 24, 2022):

"Pounding Flowers"
Doris Larson (See Page 3-4) **Demo:** Bookmarks by Aggie Straub

June 27, 2022

Guild Meeting: "An Original Interpretation of Landscape Quilts"

Workshop (Tuesday, June 28, 2022):

"Sunset Beach Landscapes"
Janet Rochefort (See Page 4)

Demo: TBD

July 25, 2022

Guild Meeting: "Batting: What's Inside Matters" Lyn Heilman of BattingSuperSale.com and Stephanie Hackney from Hobbs

Workshop: None **Demo:** TBD



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A Sharing of Quilts XVI May 13-15, 2022

Bay County Community Center 800 John F. Kennedy Drive, Bay City, MI (see article on Page 9 for more info) http://www.bchsmuseum.org/id62.html

Northern Michigan Quilt Show Fri, May 20, 9 AM – Sat, May 21, 3 PM

Alpena Events Complex 701 Woodward Ave, Alpena, MI https://www.northernmichiganquiltshow.com/

OH-MI Shop Hop 2022 June 2-June 11

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GAAQG Biennial Quilt Show 2022 Saturday, July 30th

9:00am-5:00pm Washtenaw Community College www.Gaaqg.com

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

We've got quite an interesting array of talented presenters coming up. If there is a topic or presenter you think would be a good fit for a future presentation or workshop, please let me know.

In April, our own Janet Rochefort will be hosting the PPQG Challenge for 2021-22. Wearable Art – individually designed pieces of homemade clothing as an expression of art. Time is getting short, so start working on your challenge piece or pieces now!!

In May, Doris Larson will be doing a trunk show and workshop for us. Doris has always had an interest in developing her artistic abilities but life as a wife, mother and elementary school teacher made this



pursuit difficult. In retirement, she has been able to pursue her art with passion. Through her initial artistic expression was through watercolor, Doris' interest in textures soon lead to a body of work in mixed media. She also developed a passion for collage and enjoys making her own papers and experimenting with new techniques and materials. In the last few years, she has begun to combine painting, collage and sewing skills. Much of her current work is "fabric art." Using color, texture and design to create unique and vibrant pieces is Doris' forte. Her fabric art is all original; though it occasionally incorporates a variation on a traditional pattern. She enjoys developing a composition, creating a design and employing fabric or paper to produce a dynamic result.

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Doris will be doing a workshop entitled "Pounding Flowers", and we will be doing just that – pounding flowers to create artwork. Sounds fun!! Doris will explain and demonstrate the process at the evening meeting and will have several examples. She often embellishes the pieces if colors are weak and will demonstrate that as well. Students will be asked to bring plant materials (blossoms, grasses, leaves - strong colors work best) for this workshop, so start collecting now.





In June, Janet Rochefort will be presenting "An Original Interpretation of Landscape Quilts" and a workshop on "Sunset Beach Landscapes." A kit is required for the workshop. The cost of



the kit will be \$25. This mandatory kit will contain all of the fabric you need. It will also contain steam-a-seam, batting, backing, embellishments and the plastic photo frame. There will also be extra material if you would like another color. This project should be able to be completed during class. The homework for this workshop is to be looking at the sunsets!



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to choose batting for your project. The why and when for the different fibers and bonding methods. What you can expect from them in your finished quilt. This lecture provides the in depth info that isn't covered as much in project lectures. There will be samples of the different battings to look at and feel.

As a quilt maker for over 40 years Linda Thielfoldt of The Quilted Goose in Troy, Michigan has a wealth of experience to share.



She has been teaching all aspects of quilt making for over 25 years and her hands-on workshops and classes are taught in a fun, lively and no rules way that will inspire both beginners and experienced quilters alike. Linda will be with us in August presenting "Confessions of a Crappy Quilter." This funny and inspiring lecture takes you on a fun journey of fabric and quilts and covers Linda's 40+ years of quilt making. We will also have a workshop with Linda entitled "Taking the Fear out of Quilt as Desired." This workshop will jump start your machine quilting. Linda has been teaching machine quilting for over 28 years and has yet to flunk a student! If you have never tried machine quilting or are frustrated, then this is the workshop for you. For beginners and experienced quilt makers alike. Students will make a sampler in class and be machine quilting with ease in no time.

Rita Parsons Vice President

2022 Quilt Show Entry Form

Here's a sneak peek at the guidelines for the Quilt Show Entries. The Quilt Show Committee is finalizing the entry form, but these guidelines will get you started on your entries. The finalized form will be available in the near future!

Guidelines for Quilt Show Entries:

- 1. Each entry requires a separate Entry Form. Copy or print as many as you need.
- 2. Quilts may only be submitted by an active member of the Pieces & Patches Quilt Guild.
- 3. Quilts must be made by a Guild member in order to be eligible for the "People's Choice" Award.
- 4. As there are a limited number of racks to accommodate large quilts, large quilts will be placed based on entry date (first come basis).
- 5. Members may enter more than one quilt in the show. If there is not sufficient room to accommodate all entries that have been submitted, you may be contacted to prioritize entries.
- 6. Quilts (other than miniatures) must have a 4 1/2" hanging sleeve to enable hanging on the racks.

- (Miniatures will be pinned to curtains hanging from the racks.)
- 7. Each quilt must be submitted in its own cloth bag (one cloth bag per entry, regardless of the quilt size) and must have a label sewn or pinned to the back of the quilt with the person's name and the name of the quilt.

More updates on the Quilt Show Entry Form will be presented at the Quilt Guild monthly meetings and in the newsletter. Hard copies of the entry form will be made available once the form is finalized. The entry form will also be available in an electronic format.

Renee Nelson

Member at Large

Wearing many hats this year, I might not be able to get to each one of you at the Guild meeting. Please, if you have any questions or concerns contact me at my email shongquilting@yahoo.com., (this is a Guild only email) or feel free to give me a call 517-536-7329.

Cynthia Shong, Member at Large □

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The following are the four Special Displays of Wall Art for the Quilt Show

- 1. Wearable Art this will be primarily made up of those that participated in the Challenge (Don't forget to come and get a preview at our April meeting) and any that want to add to it! There will be a run-way show on Saturday and Sunday at 1:00pm
- 2. Innovative Art also known as Contemporary and Abstract
- 3. Collages A piece of art made by taking different fabrics putting them together with additional art pieces. An example would be a Laura Heine art quilt
- 4. Landscapes These can be made from a photo, pattern or even abstract

ALL WILL ELGIBLE FOR BEST OF SHOW

These displays will show another look as to what a quilter is. We hopefully can bring this awareness to get a larger crowd plus more members for the Guild. We will be using this in our advertising. We need all of your help to promote this idea.

We will also have two new opportunities to make more income. We will be painting 24" by 24" wooden barn quilts, and we will be selling wool pieces. We will be selling these near the admission table. I will be having the painting at my house in July and putting together the wool at the workshops. My goal is to bring in another \$1,000. We will with YOUR help.

Janet Rochefort





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Open Sew Days Reminder

Open Sew Days have been a huge success and are so much fun!! On the Second Tuesday of every month, we have an Open Sew Day from 9:00am until 4:00pm. It's at the Toy House Community Room located in Christoff's Floor Covering, 400 N. Mechanic Street in Jackson. This is a great room for sewing. It has lots of windows with great lighting and an outside entry door with a loading zone for easy unloading and loading. Wi-Fi and a television are available too, which we've utilized for watching YouTube videos on how to use sewing machine accessories. Everyone that has attended an open sew there has loved the room.

We try and have charity projects available to work on or you can bring your own project(s). Please try and join us. You don't have to come for the whole day, drop in for as long as your schedule allows. It really is fun and a great way to get to know your fellow Guild members.

About a week in advance, I send out event invitations via Facebook, but in the meantime please mark your calendar for the Open Sew Days:

May 10, 2022 June 14, 2022 July 12, 2022 August 9, 2022 September 13, 2022 October 11, 2022 November 8, 2022 December 13, 2022

Please contact me with any questions.

Rita Parsons
Vice President □



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Thank you for all you do to help this program.

Dianne Stevens Charity Chair □

Children Advocacy Council

We have given this charity 87 quilts so far this fiscal year, and we have around 25 that need bindings. These bindings can be put on by machine or hand. Please let me know if you can help with this task. This could either be done at a workshop, I would be glad to host a group at my house, or you could come and get some to work on. They are going through them fast, so they are in continuous need of more quilts.

This project is in need of member participation to be successful. Think about the gifts you have and give them back.

Janet Rochefort Charity Chair □

A Sharing of Quilts XVI

Bay Heritage Quilters Guild presents "A Sharing of Quilts XVI" on May 13-15, 2022 at the Bay County Community Center, 800 John F. Kennedy Dr., Bay City, MI. Hours: Fri & Sat from 10a-5p and Sun. Noon − 5p. Approximately 150 quilts will be on display, "Rhapsody in Bloom" raffle quilt, vendor mall, special exhibits, boutique, and more! \$5 admission, fully accessible facility. Saturday, Carole Carroll, the founder of Michigan-based Miracle Quilts, will share information about her grass roots organization that supports wounded veterans. Show info: 989-316-1036 or pokeyclowns@aol.com
Sharon Pagryzinski □

Quilt Show General Store Donations

We are having a Quilt Show in October and it's getting closer!! As part of the Quilt Show, we have a General Store where we sell donated quilting items. In order for the General Store to be successful, we need your help. We need donated quilting items to sell. Please look through your stash for donations of fabric, notions, kits, etc., to sell at the Quilt Show's General Store. I am accepting donations now. You can either bring your donations to a Guild meeting or to an Open Sew Day at the Toy House Community Room. If it's a large donation, please contact me to arrange a pick up.

General Store Donation Guidelines

While looking through your stash for donations to the Quilt Show General Store, please keep the following in mind:

- 100% quilting cotton fabric is preferred
- Fabric must be clean and free from odors, stains, etc.

- Fabric can be prewashed
- If edges are frayed, please trim the frayed edges
- Please press and fold the fabric
- If you can, labeling with yardage and putting in a baggie would be great (if not, I will do this)
- We will accept scraps over 3" in size
- No magazines or books at this time (I don't have room for them)
- If you send your donations in a container that you would like returned to you, please put your name on the container (and on the lid if there is one)

I'm sure there are other things to keep in mind, but thought I would start with these basic guidelines. Any questions, please contact me.

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Cynthia Shong Quilt Show Chair







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