

KANATA QUILT GUILD

SEPTEMBER 2019

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MEETING

Thursday, September 12, 2019 at the Glen Cairn United Church (140 Abbeyhill Drive, Kanata) from 9:30 am to Noon.

Church policy is **NO** drinks or food in the sanctuary. We encourage you to have your coffee/tea prior to the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Our Membership year goes from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, and we accept Membership Forms and Fees for 2019-2020 at our meetings.

Our Membership Fee is \$35.00. Please bring a cheque along with your completed [Membership Form](#) to our meeting. A cheque is preferable to cash; we do not accept e-transfers of fees. If you prefer, you may mail your Membership Form and cheque to the mailing address which is found at the bottom of the Membership Form.

Our Membership Directory is published annually after the October meeting. If you would like to be included in the Directory, your renewal must be completed and paid by October 10, 2019.

Visitors always welcome; \$5 per meeting.

PROGRAM

The Program for September is ArtWear Ottawa, a small group of about 25 wearable art enthusiasts from the Ottawa area. The ladies will be showcasing garments that they have designed and sewn themselves using a variety of media on all types of fabric.

The Shop of the Month is Ruth Liscumb, of Flair with Fabrics, in Chesterville. While Ruth is closing her shop, she graciously agreed to be our shop of the month one last time.

SURVEY SAYS...

Thanks to everyone who completed the survey last spring. We had over 70 people who provided feedback, which is a very good number.

The item that struck me the most, and tickled my weird sense of humour, are that for every item that many people liked (i.e. Trunk shows) there were a few who really disliked them. Maybe this is where that saying "You can't please everyone" comes from! I also think this is what makes us great as a guild, we strive to offer a variety of content and cater to all the different tastes. I may not like doing something myself, but it's always interesting to see how others interpret that method and make it their own.

The one thing that surprised me as I read the feedback, is the relatively high number of folks who identify as beginner quilters. To this end, I would encourage all the beginners to have a conversation with our workshop ladies and let them know what types of things you would like to learn. If you attend our Sew Days, don't be shy to ask for help, we all started somewhere and practice makes you better.

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Here is a breakdown of those acronyms that were used and a few more off the top of my head:

- UFO / Phd - UnFinished Object / Project Half Done
- Round Robin - is a group project that starts with the person who will own the quilt, then gets passed on to the other team mates, and ends up with a finished top back to the first person. I've never participated in one of these, so I may be off a bit in the definition.
- Mystery Quilt - just as the name suggests, the pattern is provided in stages (usually a bit each month) and the final quilt is a mystery. These can be fun if you trust that what you are doing at each step will lead to a good outcome. Can also be a bit scary if you don't like surprises.
- BOM - Block of the Month. This is something where you know what the final project looks like, but you work on a block each month towards a final project 6-10 months in the future.
- Block Exchange - This involves making one block a number of times and sharing that block with the other participants. Everyone is making the same thing in different colour ways. When the blocks are traded, you have variety and blocks to make a really cute quilt. It's something that seems to be popular with Modern Quilt makers. I've participated in these and they can be a lot of fun.
- HST - not the tax! Half Square Triangle is what it stands for in Quilting circles. :)

Thanks again to all those who responded,

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WORKSHOPS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming workshops. More information will be available at the meetings and on the website. We will have registration for September, October and November workshops at the September meeting. Workshops are held at the Kanata Legion.

- September 25, 2019 - One Block Wonder
- October 9, 2019 - Stained Glass
- November 20, 2019 - Table Runner/ Bed Scarf
- January 22, 2020 - Landscape Thread Painting
- February 6 & 19 2020 (2 day) - Dancing Diamonds Bag
- March 5, 2020 - Machine Quilting (Free motion and walking foot)
- April 8, 2020 - Disappearing Nine Patch
- May 7, 2020 - TBD

SEW DAYS

All Sew Days are at the Kanata Legion from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

Sew days are \$5.00 for everyone – coffee and tea provided free of charge. Sew days are a great opportunity to meet your fellow guild members - come join us!

What should you bring to a sew day?

- ✓ Your sewing machine and extension cord
- ✓ Your usual sewing supplies
- ✓ Your lunch and your coffee/tea mug. (Tim Hortons & Starbucks are close by)
- ✓ A small cutting mat for your own table (3 large cutting mats and 3 irons/boards are supplied for general use)
- ✓ Your nametag

If you have any questions, please contact Johanne Vajda or Beth van Wyngaarden at sewdays@kanataquiltguild.com.

If you wish to plan ahead, please refer to the list of sew day dates below or on the website.

- September 18, 2019
- October 16, 2019
- November 13, 2019
- November 28, 2019 (Charity)
- December 5, 2019
- January 15, 2020
- February 12, 2020 (Quiltie)
- March 18, 2020
- April 2, 2020
- May 20, 2020
- June 17, 2020
- July 22, 2020
- August 19, 2020

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QUILTIES

Liz & Elaine are both pleased to be the quilties representatives for the guild. We are going to continue with the draws for quilt makers each month. This year we will have kits available for quilters to make blocks of baby fabrics in patterns they want.

We are in need of donations of solid coloured or tone on tone cotton fabric.

RAFFLES

Drum roll please for the question of the day – what is the objective of a raffle? There are only so many widgets, thing-a-ma-jigs, not to mention fabrics, patterns and related stuff, available in the quilting world. The intent of a raffle is to support the guild in its various endeavours and a raffle is one such way to make some necessary funds. One never has enough fabric, widgets, etc. Tools tend to give out, break or simply disappear. And more fabric spawns new projects. That's what raffles are all about!

For the 2019/20 season, your intrepid Raffle Coordinators (RCs) have implemented a few twists. Monthly raffles will be held from September 2019 through to June 2020. The November monthly raffle will be a Christmas theme. In April 2020, the theme will be spring - hopefully it will arrive on time not like 2019. Each month there will be seven (7) items for choosing, as our membership and monthly attendance has increased.

The Special, aka Basket, Raffles will be held in December 2019, March and June 2020. For the December raffle the RCs, with the approval of the KQG Executive, have taken a different tactic – the prize will be three \$50.00 gift certificates for one lucky winner to enjoy at three different quilting shops. No, the RCs were not lazy, we just thought it would be nice for the winner to enjoy all those post-Christmas sales.

If you would be interested in helping the RCs out, as we do travel, feel under the weather sometimes, please stop by the raffle table and leave your contact info. Looking forward to a successful year!



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FREE TABLE

Free Recycling Table is at the entrance to the church. If you have any quilt related materials, books, magazines, tools, UFOs that you no longer want/need, bring them to share with fellow quilters. Joanne Batchelor or Lynda Smyth will be there to help.

CHARITY

Carol Dworschak is excited in taking on her new role with KQG charity quilts. In addition to last year helping women shelters and local disaster victims, this year we will also give quilts to our veterans along with little scrap pillows for the animal shelters in our area.

A table will be set at the entrance of our meetings with more details. Plus be ready for our annual sew day specific to charity quilts on November 28th at the legion.

Victoria Quilts Canada (VQC) is still in need of donations of any quilting fabric, except novelty or children's fabric, to make up their kits so that they can continue to make and deliver quilts to many more people. Joanne Batchelor has offered to collect donations of fabric at monthly meetings. You can find her at the Free table as you enter the church.

The ACE (Acute Care for the Elderly) unit at QCH needs donations of keys, beads, plastic pots and plastic flowers. If Guild members have any of these items, please pass them on to Georgia Beale and she will deliver to the unit. Items can be left at the free table. Georgia will also take wool of any weight, colour, amount. Georgia's Ortho surgeon volunteers in Haiti for a couple of weeks each year; his secretary crochets small things (finger puppets) for the children. All donations very much appreciated.

ADVERTISING

Members can advertise sales, courses, or other quilting activities in our newsletter. Please see the price list below and contact Lynn Price (advertising@kanataquiltguild.com) for more information.

Business Card - \$5/month

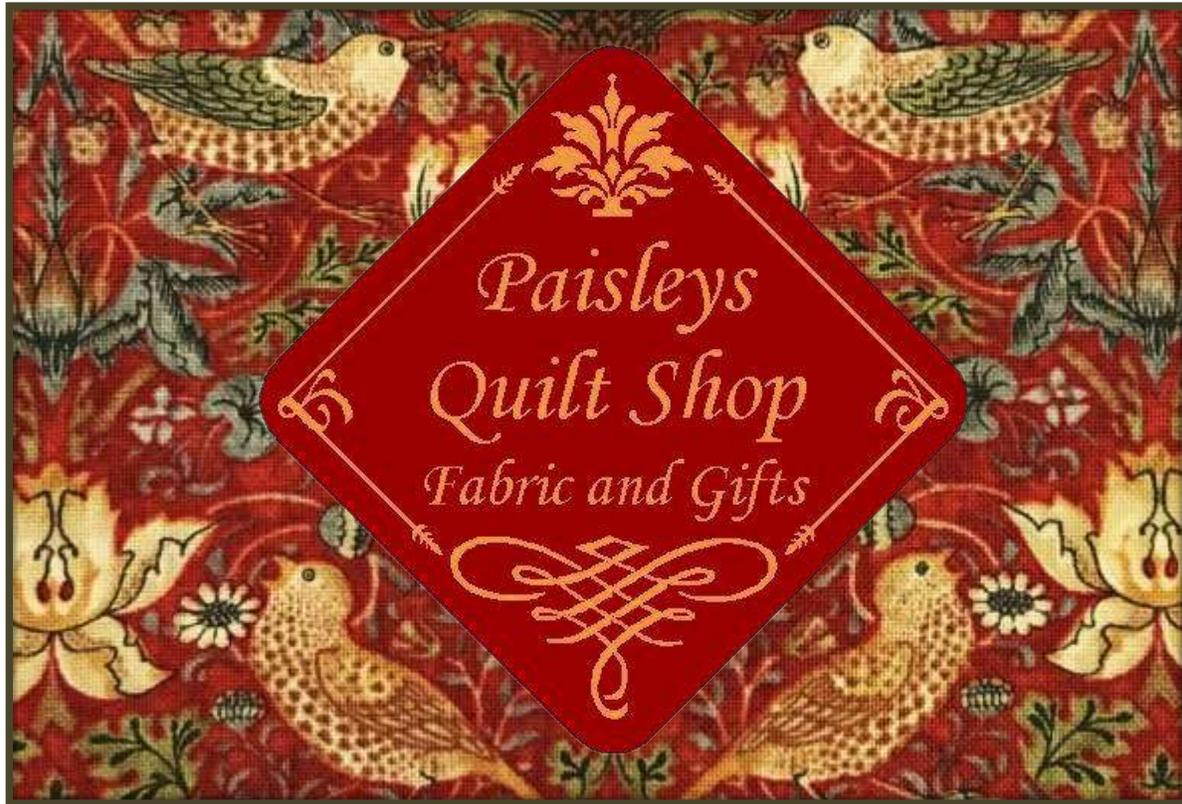
Quarter Page - \$10/ month

Half Page - \$20/ month

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112 John Cavanaugh Dr. and Carp Rd.
Nestled between Carp and Kanata

Tuesday 10-5
Wednesday 10-5
Thursday 10-8
Friday 10-5
Saturday 10-5
Sunday and Monday Closed
Online 24/7

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Starting as a 3 month Pop-up Shop, but would love to make this a permanent location!