

Next Zoom Meeting
February 11th at 9:30 a.m.

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February 2021 Newsletter Kanata Quilt Guild

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Join us on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at our regular time of 9:30 a.m. as we welcome Canadian quilter, **Elaine Theriault** to our meeting.

Elaine is a self-described teacher, writer and pattern designer who is completely obsessed with quilting.

When she is not quilting or writing her blog: crazyquilteronabike.blogspot.com, she is busy cycling around the country.

Elaine also has a website, called quiltsocial.com where you can find her **free** e-book called, “*Elaine’s Tech Tips*”.





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P resident's Challenge

A new challenge has been added - make a wall hanging with something architectural - Arches, squares, angles, shapes.

Create your own or use any of the ideas our speakers have given us this year.

Presentation of entries will be in May and we will do a Viewer's Choice.



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Exciting Lineup of Upcoming Presenters

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March 11, 2021: **BRIGITTE HEITLAND, Werther, Germany**

Brigitte is known throughout the world for her beautiful fabric collections under the ZEN CHIC name. She will be presenting her newest fabric collection called, 'Dance in Paris', and demonstrating how to use it to bring sparkle to your own quilts. If you visit the ZEN CHIC site at brigitteheitland.de you will find a free pattern download.

April 8, 2021: **MADONNA OLIVER, Carp, Ontario**

Madonna, owns a jewel of a quilt shop on Carp Road, which features, everything William Morris, from fabric, to puzzles, gifts and books. She also carries an extensive line of French General and Civil War fabrics. Madonna will speak to us on the design philosophy of William Morris and demonstrate to us the art of broderie perse appliqué.

May 13, 2021: **DAWN PIASTA, Dauphin, Manitoba**

Dawn is a fibre artist who will be presenting a 'trunk show' of her work. She works from personal photographs to create her pieces which reflect her unique vision of the world in which she lives. She describes herself as, 'passionate, enigmatic and spirited'. Her personal style is eclectic and constantly changing.

June 10, 2021: **DAISY ASCHEHOUG, Nesodden, Norway**

Daisy makes quilts with patterns and colours in which tradition meets contemporary. Her quilt designs have been published in several magazines and books. She is most passionate about the art of modern traditionalism and incorporating curved piecing into utility quilts. Daisy teaches and lectures on modern quilting around the world. Please take time to check out her website called, WarmFolk. Her presentation is 'How I Started Designing Quilts'. Visit the website at <https://warmfolk.com/>



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Virtual Sew Days - Join us Via Zoom every 3rd Wednesday of the Month from 1:00 - 3:30 pm

Come spend an afternoon working on hand sewing projects, cutting or sewing with us!

We only ask that you mute your sound if you are working at your sewing machine as the hum of the machine will interrupt anyone speaking.

The next Virtual Sew Day Zoom meeting is scheduled for **Feb 17th 01:00 p.m.**

Join the February Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86598935307?pwd=NkNwS2F3V0FuQ2lUVWhqVkZ6NTdsQT09>

Meeting ID: 865 9893 5307

Passcode: 371711

Mark your calendars for the following dates:

March 17 May 19

April 21 June 16

more dates to be announced



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How to clean on oversized cutting mat – or maybe what NOT to do!

After about 15 or so years I decided one cold, windy Sunday afternoon it was time to tackle the ole' mat that was not serving me as well as I thought it should be, regardless of its age. After all, I cleaned it after each cutting session using this "thing-a-ma-jig" piece of man-made cellulose, plastic or whatever. Then that eventful Sunday afternoon I noticed that the cutting lines were not "self-healing" themselves. So I visited my trusty friend and know-it-all, Mrs. Google. Oh was she forthcoming with advice. She was oozing with it. I read a bit, mulled over what I had absorbed and began the task of helping my self-healing mat in its journey to restoring itself to its former glory. If you have never "washed" an oversized mat (as in 36" x 24") here are a few tips.

First of all, my friend tells me the mat should lie flat in the bottom of a bathtub. Well, our ensuite bathroom has a mini swimming pool, aka a soaker tub. High sides, but not wide enough to accommodate this mat. BTW in the 3 ½ years we have resided in this house, we have NEVER used the mini swimming pool – would empty the hot water heater and some! Not sure if any owners before us tried it out. Still had the manufacturer's sticker on it (house is 20 years old). I digress. The main floor bathroom with a regular bathtub was out of the question as the bathtub is full of paper towels, boxes of tissues and toilet paper. We are in the midst of a pandemic pandemonium, right?! So I take off for the lower level bathroom. Yes, another full bathtub. What was the builder thinking of – these are adult lifestyle residences meant for a couple enjoying their retirement. Are the kids moving back in? Are we to run a B&B or what?

Back to the mat. Mrs. Google says it is okay to lie the mat down and it can curve up, just don't bend. So I get the cool water gushing in with the appropriate amount of white vinegar and add a dash of Dawn (or Ivory) dish soap. I splash about, use a soft brush and imagine my surprise when it is full of bits of fluff. So I do the 15-20 minute soak, move the mat back and forth so it does not crack or injure itself. I cajoled my hubby to get an old bedsheet out of the garage (used to cover motorcycles, etc. but that is another story). I am ready to haul the mat out and place it flat on the bedsheet to dry. Getting it out without sloshing any water on me or the

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surrounding floor turned out to be a tad complicated. I am wearing backless slippers, half bent over the tub, and the ties on my craft apron magically came undone. As I am slowly standing up, my foot catches on a tie, the other one slides out of the slipper and the bathmat starts sliding backwards. Did I mention I have a bad back, old injury that can be aggravated by just thinking about it. So I end up doing some acrobatic version of the splits, and to avoid hurting my back I am able to kneel down and end up bent forward with my head in the water. Silly me – why did I not pull the plunger first. Cool water laced with white vinegar and Dawn dish soap does NOT make a refreshing beverage, regardless of the occasion. As my hair is much longer, thanks to that pandemic pandemonium and hair salons being knocked off the ESSENTIAL list of businesses, I now have these wet strands of smelly waves on my face, in my eyes and mouth. The joys of quilting. Ohm but it does not end there. Might as well give the bathroom a cleaning while I am at it. The cleaning lady comes in a few days, can't have a dirty bathroom!!

Cheers, Iwona Mooney

Karen Mahoney at
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Quilting from start to finish

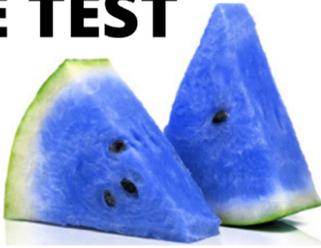


Online Raffle Quilt Tickets Sale

Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild

Due to COVID-19 regional public health measures and restrictions, the Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild has been unable to sell any Raffle Quilt Tickets on their gorgeous, hand quilted raffle quilt. Hence, the idea of selling tickets on-line. Please see the Raffle Sales Flyer below.

EYE TEST



If you see this watermelon

Red - You're Normal

Green - You're a Bit Odd

Blue - You Need To Buy More Fabric



140 days in lockdown. I'M FINE. Thanks for asking.

BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS FOR OUR HAND QUILTED KING SIZE QUILT ONLINE NOW!



\$2 each or three tickets for \$5, or any multiple of \$5

The draw will be held on Sunday July 11, 2021 at 3pm.

Unfortunately, we can only ship to Canadian mailing addresses.

Send your etransfer payment to pecguild@gmail.com

Please include your email address, your phone number, the name of the person to put on the ticket, and the number of tickets you would like in the COMMENTS section of your etransfer. If there aren't enough characters available in the COMMENTS section to put all of this information, please send a separate email to the above email address, after you have made your payment, with all the required information. The Guild will send you a photo of your raffle tickets so you can print it off for your records or for gifting. If you have any questions, contact us at the above email address.

Proceeds from this raffle quilt draw support our guild's programming and our donations to local charities. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we received permission from our Municipality to extend the draw date by a year to the above date.

THANK YOU and GOOD LUCK!!

Swap/Buy/Sell/Help newsletter@kanataquiltguild.com

If you have items, notions or fabric you wish to pass along to fellow quilters, sell, you are in search of, or would like help with a project, please send us a brief description along with your email address to newsletter@kanataquiltguild.com.

Your note and email address will be added under this section in the upcoming Newsletter. Interested parties will be contacting you directly. Ads will not be reposted in the next Newsletter unless a subsequent request is submitted.

Help to sew a pair of slippers

I'm looking for someone to sew a pair of cat-themed fabric slippers for my ten year old granddaughter Lilith, who loves Cleo, her dark tabby cat friend. They can be sewn following a commercial sewing pattern or from the sewing enthusiast's own creative mind. I have photos and a sewing pattern to help show what I want.

Mary Jo Winkler-Callighen (I am muted and quadriplegic from ALS, so I don't have a phone. I use an eye tracking programme to type.). Please contact me at maryjo.ndp@gmail.com.

Free books for the taking

I have the following books to give away as a lot, not individually.

50 Block Designs

Simply Amazing Spiral Quilts by RaNae Merrill

Quilting with Jodie in Cotton Country by Jodie Davis

Colorful Quilts by Cynthia LeBlanc Regone

Bargello Quilts by Marge Edie

Bargello Quilts in Motion by Ruth Ann Berry

Lots of Scraps by Jeanne Stauffer

Quilting by Hand by Jinny Breyer

French Braid Obsession by Jane Hardy Miller

Fresh Quilting by Malka Dubrawsky

Modern Log Cabin by Susan Beal

Please contact me at woskirena@yahoo.ca.





Carol Dworschak
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What a great time we had January 19th at the Zoom Charity Sew Day. I have received enough tulip blocks to make 3 quilts. You are all so very generous. One of our members has already offered to square up the blocks and piece them together. Amazing!!!

Our next block challenge will be very appropriate for the month of February. Thanks to 'Cluck Cluck Sew', we have another fun free pattern to try. It's the "Heart Block".

We will be making another quilt for the Rudy Shenkman Hospice Centre - they require 55-60" x 70" quilts for their beds. So by making these 8" square blocks, we should need 63 total to make one quilt (7 blocks x 9 blocks).

The background fabric will be white, low volume, tone on tone...and the print will be two colors of your choice. You can either use the same color, or two different ones... I think everyone's personalities will shine in these fabrics for sure.

I'm hoping to have these 'Heart blocks' back by February 28th. Since we are still in lockdown, you can reach me by email (which you will find on our contact list under 'charity'), and I can come out to your place and pick them up.

Another option is you can mail them to me, or even leave them on my door step if you are in the Kanata area. Kathryn Marshall has also offered to drop off charity blocks at her place for those who live in the Maitland area. We make sure pick ups and drop offs are contactless. Here's the pattern for February's Block Challenge:

Heart Block Pattern



We are making 8" square blocks.

1. Cut the fabric pieces from the table below for the size of block you are making. You should have 2 print strips, 2 large background squares, and 4 small background squares to make one heart block.

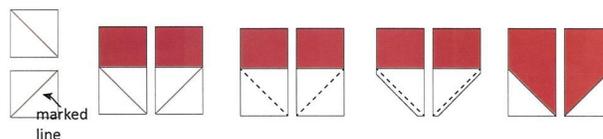
white low volume/tone on tone

color of your choice

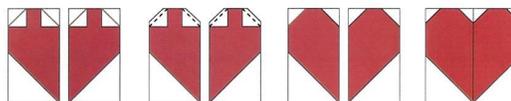
Finished size of blocks	Print fabrics (Cut 2)	Background Square (Cut 2)	Background Square (Cut 4)
4" square	2 1/2" x 4 1/2"	2 1/2"	1"
5" square	3" x 5 1/2"	3"	1 1/4"
6" square	3 1/2" x 6 1/2"	3 1/2"	1 1/4"
7" square	4" x 7 1/2"	4"	1 3/8"
→ 8" square	4 1/2" x 8 1/2"	4 1/2"	1 1/2"
9" square	5" x 9 1/2"	5"	1 3/4"
10" square	5 1/2" x 10 1/2"	5 1/2"	2"

white low volume

2. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of both large background squares from corner to corner. Place the large squares on the bottom of the print strips right sides together, with the marked lines as shown. Sew on the lines. Trim the corners leaving 1/4", and press the seams open.



3. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of each background small square. Place the squares on the top of the print strips right sides together, with the marked lines as shown below. Sew on the lines, trim the corners leaving 1/4", and press seams open.



4. Sew the two halves of the heart block right sides together. Press seam open. Keep in mind that your unfinished heart block in step 4, will be 1/2" larger than the finished block size in the table above. The finished size is the size after a quilt block is sewn into the quilt.

NOT FOR RESALE

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Victoria's 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. Please contact Joanne at 613-795-3304 or email her at joannebatchelor@royalpage.ca to arrange pickup and/ or drop off.

The ACE (Acute Care for the Elderly) unit at QCH still needs donations of keys, beads, plastic pots and plastic flowers. If Guild members have any of these items, please pass them to Georgia Beale at gbeale@sympatico.ca. 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.



Elaine Bradley, Liz Raizenne
quilties@kanataquiltguild.com

There are more kits that can be picked up if anyone has time to make additional ones. There are also a few that the tops are made but they need to be completed. Give Elaine a call at 613 558 8789.

If anyone has completed quilties to drop off please drop off at Elaine's at 32 Robson Court Kanata or at Liz's at 66 Kingsford Court Kanata.

Thank you so much. The new moms are thrilled to receive these.



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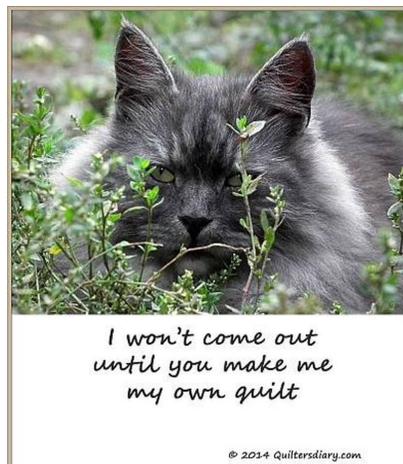
The Kanata Quilt Guild retreats are currently deferred until after the lockdown and subsequent provincial guidelines are released including information about the distribution of the vaccine and safety protocols necessary after vaccination.

The Ottawa Valley Quilters' Guild has run 3 workshops this season, using Zoom to connect the teachers & students. So far, the events have been very successful so we have decided to offer more classes during the winter. Guests are always welcome to join us and anyone who belongs to a guild pays the same prices as the OVQG members. Guests are also able to view the OVQG monthly meetings for an \$8 fee per meeting.

On February 8, the guest speaker will be Edith Choiniere from St Bruno, PQ. Later this month on Saturday February 27 she'll be leading a free motion workshop on Zoom, using her Dragonfly pattern. This class does require some preparation. You will receive the pattern and two videos about 2 weeks before the class. You must fuse the dragonfly prior to the workshop and one of the videos walks you through that process if you need help. The other video will guide you through some practice free motion work. Cost for the 6 hour workshop including the pattern is only \$35 plus \$1.50 if you pay by Paypal. Full details and the link to sign up are available here: <https://ottawavalleyquiltersguild.org/event-4090743> Edith offers some free patterns each month on her website: <https://www.collectioninedith.com/home> & she posts instructional videos on YouTube. Have a look and I hope to see some of you on Feb 27.

Melissa Marginet was the speaker at the Kanata Guild in November and at OVQG in December. Her January ZOOM workshop called "Never the Same Quilt Twice" got rave reviews from participants, with the strong recommendation that we run it again. "Best class I have ever taken" was one comment from an experienced quilter. So, we'll explore offering this class again, perhaps in the fall. Please email me at workshops@ottawavalleyquilterguild.org if you would like to be notified if we offer this class again. It will help gauge the interest level.

Jeanie Vanderzon



Online Quilting Resources/Classes/ YouTube/Blogs

<https://www.justgetitdonequilts.com/blog>

Karen Brown lives in Toronto and she has a great blog and you-tube videos - I had watched her a few years ago and forgot about her but a fellow quilter reminded me about her blogs. She is quite a character and some of our members might enjoy her.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL25faJKDyeK_3WxuP_JX9uCh7oojMsop9

Lisa Walton - I believe she is from Australia and she has started a series on you-tube called Quilt Stories - I'm not familiar with all of the quilters she has interviewed but I sure have enjoyed the ones I have listened to.

<https://thimblesandthings.com/pages/virtual-classes>

Thimbles & Things is a quilting store located near Orillia and is owned by Sue Polera. She is currently offering a Virtual Class Pass for \$25.00 plus tax which entitles one to take part in 31 different quilt classes via zoom (some of which have more than one session) from January to April. I couldn't resist and took my first of many classes on Monday morning - there were 75 of us enrolled in a refresher on Paper Piecing - it was fabulous! Our February guest speaker - Elaine Theriault - is actually offering two different sessions and I am looking forward to her class on Saturday on Piecing and Pressing.

All three references submitted by Nancy Wright.



"We have been very busy at CQA/ACC planning some great events and fun quilting projects. There is a great opportunity to enjoy a wonderful speaker " Luana Rubin" on February 13, 2021. See website for more information.

You will also find some great ideas on workshops from other readers that have shared their experiences with us, so enjoy.

We hope all of you have taken some time to look at our new website as well, where you will find a row of the month event happening which is open to non-members as well as members. Just click on the box and off you go on another great project.

With the new way of enjoying workshops and speakers, we at CQA/ACC are planning a wonderful alternative to our annual Quilt Canada that you will not want to miss. Details will be posted on our website with the dates being the same as our planned Quilt Canada June 16 to 19, 2021."

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