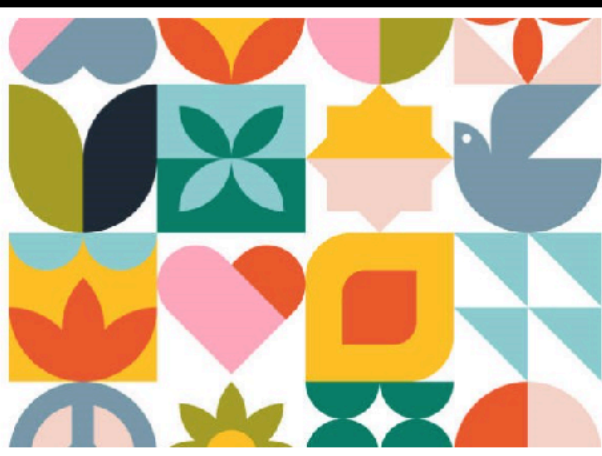


Kanata Quilt Guild



Next Meeting

Thursday Nov. 13 @ 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Glen Cairn United Church

140 Abbeyhill Drive, Kanata, Ontario

KQG November 2025 Newsletter

<https://www.kanataquiltguild.com>

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President's Message

As you heard at our last guild meeting, we are moving our guild meetings next April. We have taken out a lease on the Sanctuary and Hall in Trinity Presbyterian Church, located at 1817 Richardson Side Road, just west of the intersection of Richardson and Huntmar. The Church has lots of parking, easy access from most major roads in the area, close to Tanger Mall and local Kanata sites. It has a sanctuary that allows easy sight of the quilts on an elevated stage, great lighting, and a sound system we can use. There is also space that makes it easier to socialize before the meetings and during any breaks.

Please note:

Submissions for next month's newsletter are due by November 28, 2025 at the latest. Thanks, Marilyn Fairfull

President's message continued

This will happen after we spend the winter months on Zoom, and we will have lots of time to organize the move. I am looking for a couple of volunteers to help with coffee and tea before the meeting, and general room setup.

It is also near the time of year when Bonnie Hunter hosts her quilt-along. In September, Krista Zaleski gave us a terrific overview of Bonnie Hunter quilts and many options for making them your own. Krista has offered to set up a group on Zoom for any guild members who would like to participate. We are still organizing how this will occur, but if you are interested in joining the group. Please send your request to info@kanataquiltguild.com, and we can compile a list of the interested members.

Leslie

Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt 2025

Were you intrigued in September, after seeing a trunk show of Bonnie Hunter's mystery quilts? Well, this year's mystery is about to start! Join Krista weekly on zoom, to tackle this mystery project from the comfort of your own home. We'll get together on Zoom to work on the clue of the week from Bonnie. (Zoom dates to follow.) Working with a group is great, as we share ideas, encourage each other, learn tips & shortcuts, and see how everyone is progressing through the mystery. You can make a large quilt (80x80") or a small one. You can use Bonnie's colour suggestions, or pick your own. Make it scrappy or not. The options are endless, and it's always more fun to work with friends.

Check out the intro to her mystery at <https://quiltville.blogspot.com/p/lupine-laughter-mystery.html> and sign up to join us here: info@kanataquiltguild.com

Program this month



Judy is an appraiser of traditional and non-traditional quilts and fiber art. She is a member of the Professional Association of Appraisers-Quilted textiles (PAAQT) and other quilt-related guilds.

Judy documented the Canada Packers Quilt Collections on the Quilt Index. She served on the Canadian Quilters' Association Board of Directors as Publicity Director from 2000 to 2003 and has led three quilt documentation projects in Hamilton-Wentworth County, Ontario.

Information about her book

It brings to life the vibrant stories and heartfelt efforts of Canadian women during a pivotal time in our nation's history. Each quilt featured in the book is a testament to the artistry and dedication of these women, illustrating their deep connection to their heritage and their unwavering patriotism. Spanning the Centennial year from 1867 to 1967, the book offers a rich tapestry of narratives, insights, and stunning visuals that celebrate the enduring spirit of Canada. This compendium not only showcases the beauty of quilt-making but also serves as a tribute to the resilience and creativity of Canadian women who have contributed so profoundly to our cultural fabric.



Membership

Great attendance at the October meeting: 106, plus 6 guests. We had a number of new memberships to add to our total count of 175. Welcome to our new members. We are glad you have joined us.

Congratulations to the draw prize winners: Anita (prize from Paisley Quilt Shop), Lousie and Dianne (\$30 gift cards to Cobs Bread). Enjoy.

Happy Quilting,

Fiona McMillin

Fifty-Fifty Draw



We will be holding 50/50 Draws at all in-person meetings. Please bring your LOONIES and TOONIES! We hope to continue the draws at the virtual meetings.

Jo-Anne

Workshops 2025

You should have received an email a few days ago requesting that you complete a survey regarding workshops. Rita and I would really appreciate if you could fill it out. It will help us plan future workshops that you will want to attend.

November 18...Placemat Workshop with Lynn Price...Cost \$20...There are still a few places available for this workshop... these would be great Christmas gifts

March 25, 2026...One Block Wonder with Krista Zaleski...Cost \$50...impress your friends with this quilt.

April 22...Don't know what to do with you scrap bucket... come to the Scrap workshop...we will help you sort things out & give you a few ideas of what to do with them...Cost \$10

May 27...We have a few options...Improv workshop...Quilt As You Go...Machine or Hand Appliqué. Please stop by the workshop table at the next meeting & let us know which one you prefer.

All fees are non refundable, but you can send someone in your place if you can't attend.

Workshops are held at the Kanata Legion
70 Hines Rd from 9:30 to 3pm

Please bring a coffee mug & a lunch. We do not have use of the kitchen so bring something that doesn't require refrigeration or reheating.

If you are unable to attend the Guild meetings to sign up for the workshops you may contact Judyemond@hotmail.com

Rita & Judy



Placemat workshop with Lynn Price



One Block Wonder with Krista Zaleski

Lots of fun at our bag workshop last month!



Sew Days

From September to December Sew Days will be held at the Kanata Legion. Sew Day hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The doors will open at 9:00 a.m. to set up the tables and chairs and other equipment. We look forward to seeing you there for sewing and friendship!

Sew Days - at the Kanata Legion

(No sew day in November)
December 2 (Tuesday)

Please wear a name tag, it's always nice to know who everyone is.

Note: Please do not use spray starch at sew days.



Virtual Sew Days

From the comfort of your sewing room, join the Guild sew day via Zoom! You can be sure of finding good conversation and fellowship. Added bonus: nothing to pack, nothing to carry! Just set up your computer in your sewing room. You can drop in and drop out whenever it's convenient, any time after 9 a.m. A notice will be sent out via email every month with the details of how to join in the fun.

November 27, 2025
December 18, 2025
January 22, 2026
February 26, 2026
March 26, 2026
April 23, 2026
May 28th
June 25th



Quilties

We would like to thank the members who have generously donated their time and efforts to produce quilties for us. Fifty quilties were delivered to QCH this week. They were really appreciated by the staff and moms.

For new members who wish to participate in this program, we would be very happy to speak with you at our table at the monthly meetings.

Quilties should be 25”x 25“ including the binding, with a baby theme (use your imagination).

You can use regular batting, but the backing must be flannel.

Also please do not over quilt. The quiltie must be soft and pliable for the baby. At this time we have some fabric and flannel available and can be picked up at our table however donations are always appreciated.

Happy quilting, we look forward to seeing your creative works.

Cheers, Nancy and Joan.



Show and Tell Reminder



Don't forget to bring your Show and Tell items to our in person meeting.

Remember your scraps

Please bring your discarded fabric scraps to the in person sew days to be recycled by Value Village. Please put them in a plastic bag and place them in the pink nylon basket.



Recycle Table

At each monthly meeting, members are invited to take advantage of our free Recycle Table—a vibrant hub for sharing and repurposing gently used items. Whether you're looking to donate or discover fabric, books, magazines, or quilting related items, the table offers a sustainable way to exchange materials that might otherwise go unused. It's a great opportunity to declutter, find inspiration for new projects, and connect with fellow members through the spirit of reuse. Contributions are always welcome, and everything on the table is free for members to browse and take home. We kindly ask that members take home any items they bring to donate that are not picked up by the end of the meeting. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Thanks Joanne

President's Challenge

Check back!



Round Robin



Remember to bring your box to exchange at the Guild meeting on **Thursday, November 13.**

Lynn

'TIS THE SEWING SEASON

HOLIDAY SEW DAYS

- When** Wednesday, November 26 & Thursday November 27 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Where** The Kanata Legion 70 Hines Road Kanata North
- What** A double sew day. BYOL (bring your own lunch) on Wednesday, a morning break, snacks, tea, coffee, tea and water will be provided. Lunch, a morning break and snacks will be available on Thursday.
- How** Set up your machine and supplies on Wednesday. Sew until 5:00 p.m. Leave you sewing area set up when you go home for supper to be ready to start again on Thursday morning.
- Why** Time to sew with friends to complete those holiday projects and surprises.
- Cost** \$40.00 per participant total for both days.

Lynn Price

Community Quilts

It's been a busy and productive month for us. We have been busy sorting through the donated fabric and have come up with several kits that we will be bringing along to the November meeting. In an effort to appeal to as many quilters as possible we have an assortment of pre-cut fabrics with patterns, some kits that are colour/fabric co-ordinated and even a couple of "grab bags" that you can get really creative with!

We can supply backing as needed but should you have any yardages in your stash that are not getting any love we'd be happy to put them to good use. Donations for community quilts are always welcome! We can supply patterns and there are several great websites that we've found that are scrap friendly. We'll include a list below of a few that we've found interesting.

A few beautiful quilts were dropped off at a local woman's shelter this month and they were very well received. These quilts are part of a "moving on" package that the women receive when they are ready and able to move into their own homes. Their preference is for twin size. Quilts are also being dropped off this month to the Rudy Shenkman Hospice. Although they do use larger quilts for the hospice beds they are very happy to receive lap size quilts. The staff make home visits and bring a "comfort kit" for patients. When they receive feedback it is always the quilts that get the most accolades. The community co-ordinator she was extremely impressed by the quilts we have donated, and the wonderful generosity that our members have shown. She wanted to make sure that I passed along their heartfelt thanks to you...so there you have it!

Maycourt Christmas Sale is coming up on November 22 from 10-2 at 114A Cameron Ave. Many thanks to those who have donated items. I've just learned that donations will be accepted for another couple of weeks. Should you have any items that you'd like to donate please bring them along to the November meeting.

www.cloud9fabrics.com (tons of free patterns)

www.fatquartershop.com (something for everyone)

www.haileystitches.com (layer cakes, fat quarters, jelly rolls)

www.inspiredquiltingbylealouise.com (charm squares)

YouTube is also a great source for tutorials....



Hope to see you at the November meeting!

Bev, Marianne and Georgia

W hat's Happening



November Shop-of-the-Month

HAPPY WIFE QUILTING is our shop-of-the-month and the last one in 2025. Jen Swallow is the owner of this lovely home-based quilt shop located at 280 Timberwood Drive, on the outskirts of Carleton Place.

Jen first became interested in quilting about 15 years ago when her husband, who was then in the Canadian Armed Forces, was stationed in Kansas, USA for three years. As Jen could not work in the States, her mother-in-law suggested she try quilting. During his posting Jen took advantage and took many quilt-related courses and attended quilt conferences. She got her first long-arm quilting machine a year after she started quilting and has not looked back!

They were then posted in Alberta for 3 years where Jen worked at Lori's Country Cottage quilt shop in Sherwood Park. In 2010 they relocated back to the Carleton Place area and in 2011 she opened her shop which she has further expanded in her home as her business grew from one long-arm to two.

Jen likes to work with beginner quilters to ensure they get the proper basics from the “get-go”. Her advice – Measure twice, cut once? (Do we listen???) Ask for help, the internet is a good source but human interaction for advice is the best.

Jen will be featuring Christmas fabric, given that it really is just around the corner. She will also be offering 3-yard cuts of widebacks (108 in) at 25% off. And, she has kindly donated a door prize to be won through the membership ticket draw for which KQG thanks her for the contribution.

Do visit her website at www.happywifequilting.ca. If you are curious, ask Jen how her quilt shop got its name – Happy Wife Quilting!



COA Update

Quilt Canada will be held in Winnipeg, June 17 to 20, 2026. Keep up to date on events by signing up for their newsletter and visiting their website at canadianquilter.com . I am hoping that a number of you enter your quilts in the National Juried Show at Quilt Canada - all the details for entry is on the website. Registration for the NJS runs from January 5 to February 16.

COA Guild Challenge

The Canadian Quilters Association (CQA) once again has their guild challenge for the 2026 Quilt Canada. Each guild can submit one quilt. To participate, you do not have to be a member, the guild is the member in this case. See the guidelines in the link below and get your quilt ready for the April 2026 meeting.

We will vote on our favourite and the winning quilt will be our entry. If you wish to participate and belong to more than one guild, your entry can only win once, but you can enter it with each of your guilds who are participating.

Brigid Whitnall will liaise with CQA to confirm our intent to participate. Please forward any questions you may have to Brigid at treasurer@kanataquiltguild.com

<https://canadianquilter.com/member-guild-challenge-what-canada-means-to-me-a-quilt-canada-2026-exhibit/>

Good luck everyone,



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Assorted kits - all at low prices

Quilt books \$4

Compact craft iron with spray

Various rulers

Seamstress II iron

Quilt Sew Easy - for movement of quilt sandwich while free motion quilting

All fabric quilt shop quality.

Low prices on everything (Note: one Norwegian and one Finnish Marrimeko fabric @12/yd).

Contact Evelyn in No. Kanata at 613-435-7394 or yoga_lady01@yahoo.com



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