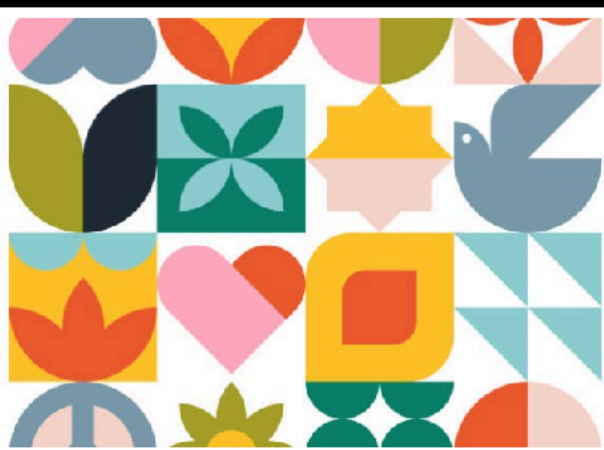


Kanata Quilt Guild



Next Meeting

Thursday Jan. 8 @ 9:30 am - 11:30 am

On Zoom - in the comfort of your home.

Emails containing the invitation link will be sent out prior to the day of the meeting.

KQG January 2026 Newsletter

<https://www.kanataquiltguild.com>

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President's Message

Happy New Year and lots of quilting time for the coming year.

I really missed our December Social Meeting due to the weather. It was a hard call. As you know, we used the Ottawa Student Transportation website to determine whether to hold an in-person meeting. Our rule of thumb was "if the buses are not running, then we are not meeting." Imagine my surprise when, at 5:30 am, the system showed a red and green divided signal light. It was not clear what advice to follow. My roads and driveway were buried under snow and I could not drive anywhere. I contacted a few members who live in the region and are early risers to seek their advice. We decided to cancel the meeting for December and reschedule some of the events into the spring. I appreciated all the comments and support for this decision from the members. I look forward to having another social meeting in June - at our new location.

Please note:

Submissions for next month's newsletter are due by January 28, 2026 at the latest. Thanks, Marilyn Fairfull

President's message continued

We have a lot of activity underway in our guild, and when you add all the invitations we get from stores, other guilds, and fellow quilters, it is amazing the amount of quilting we get done - or at least started! This is the time of the year when we try to finish some of our UFO's and get ready to start new ones. We still have the free tables at our Sew Days as we wait for the April in-person meeting.

I wish you a productive winter session and hope you can attend some of the events we have planned. Take care of your health and your safety.

See you soon, Leslie



Program this month



This month we are lucky to have Pat Archibald joining us from Edinburgh, Scotland.

Pat's lifelong passion for textiles began with her grandmother's 1920s fabrics and her mother's dressmaking, leading Pat to complete the first City and Guilds Patchwork and Quilting course in Scotland in 1990.

Following a career as an occupational therapist, Pat co-founded Scotland's first dedicated quilting shop, Purely Patchwork, which she ran for ten successful years. The shop soon established itself as a leader in terms of the variety of fabrics available and the standard and quality of the classes taught. It attracted custom from all over the UK and further afield, and tutors visited from around the globe to impart their knowledge and skills to enthusiastic students.

In 2004, Pat transitioned to focusing on her own studio practice and specialized teaching. Since moving her studio to Edinburgh in 2009, Pat has established the 'Creative Journey' courses, which culminate in annual exhibitions at the Edinburgh International Festival Fringe.

Her current work, which includes public and private commissions, is inspired by her travels and is exhibited internationally across the UK, Europe and the USA.

This month's talk is 'A Worldwide Travelogue of Quilt Inspirations'.



Below is Pat's contact information

info@patarchibald.com
www.patarchibald.com

Membership

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy 2026.

December's draw prizes will be done on January 8 meeting, along with a couple of extras.

A revised membership list will be sent at the end of January. Please notify me of any changes BEFORE January 23.

Fiona McMillin

Fifty-Fifty Draw



Congratulations to all our 50/50 winners so far.

We are happy to announce we will continue the 50/50 during the winter months. If you wish to participate, please send an e-transfer to the guild at payments@kanataquiltguild.com The amount should be in increments of 1.00. You will have until 8:00 pm, the night before guild to get your e-transfer in. Please indicate in the notes which month you are buying tickets for, as you may wish to transfer for more than one month.

Brigid and Jo-Anne

Workshops 2025

Happy New Year!

March 25, 2026...One Block Wonder with Krista Zalenski...cost \$50

April 29, 2026...Wednesday. Quilt as You Go with Marie-Claire Charette. Cost is \$70.
Workshop runs from 10 to 4:30.

May 27, 2026...New date for Scrap Workshop...cost \$10

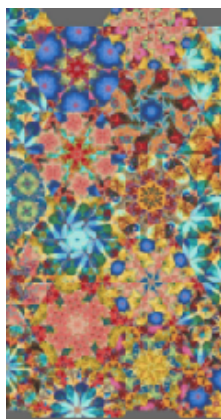
All fees are non refundable, but you can send someone in your place if you can't attend.

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.

Please contact rita.healy19@gmail.com to sign up for the workshops.

Thank you
Rita & Judy



Upcoming One Block Wonder with Krista Zaleski
March 25, 2026

Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt

It's never too late to jump on board the mystery! Bonnie released her first clue on Nov 21, and we'll see one weekly from here on out. If you have been debating whether to join, it's never too late! You can check out the details on Bonnie's blog at <https://quiltville.blogspot.com/p/lupine-laughter-mystery.html>.

It's never too late to get started (until February, when Bonnie takes the clues down) and you're never behind (because there's no deadline for finishing).

If you'd like to join the sew days, please email kristaquilts@outlook.com to get added to the list and receive the link for the zoom meeting. We are sewing on Jan 7, Jan 14 and Jan 21.

Krista

Show and Tell Reminder

For guild meetings on Zoom, please take a minute to snap a photo of the finished quilt you'd like to share, and send it to zoom@kanataquiltguild.com Include a brief note to go along with the photo.

Blake Proudfoot will put all the photos together into a slideshow to share with us at the meeting. The deadline for photos is the Tuesday before the meeting (January 6) so that Blake has time prepare for the meeting.

We look forward to seeing a lovely parade of quilts on screen!



Sew Days



Kanata Quilt Guild Sew Days 2026

A summary of our upcoming Sew Days (In-Person and Virtual) is available for your reference. You will receive an email reminder a few days prior to each event.

In-Person Sew Days (Usually on the 3rd Wednesday of each month)	Virtual Sew Days (Usually on the 4th Thursday of each month)	Bonnie Hunter Virtual Sew Days (Weekly from December 4th to January 20th - days vary)
Wednesday, January 21st	Thursday, January 22nd	Wednesday, January 7th
Wednesday, February 18th	Thursday, February 26th	Wednesday, January 14th
Wednesday, March 18th	Thursday, March 26th	Tuesday, January 20th
Wednesday, April 15th	Thursday, April 23rd	
Wednesday, May 20th	Thursday, May 28th	
Wednesday, June 17th	Thursday, June 25th	
Wednesday, July 15th		

Sew Days are held at the Kanata Legion from 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!

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.



Quilties

Happy New Year from Nancy and Joan!

We had such great support in the last year from Guild members.

Our efforts were so appreciated by the staff of the Ottawa Hospitals that we provide Quilties. Furthermore, the staff has recounted the feelings of joy experienced by the new Moms when they receive their quilt. We should probably ask for photos to share their beaming smiles to Guild members.

On January 21st the Guild will be having a Sew Day at the Kanata Legion focusing on making Quilties. Some fabric and some flannel will be available for those who attend. I will be unavailable from January 20th to 27th but Joan will be there.

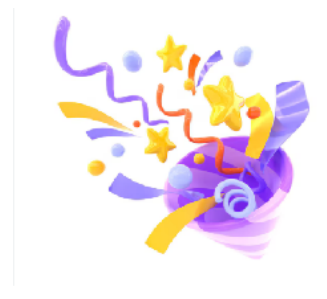
Please call if you need more information.

Nancy Maloney
613-858-9501.

Joan Armstrong
613-836-7243



President's Challenge



Let's Celebrate!

This is the 15th anniversary of the Kanata Quilt Guild! The subject of the Presidents challenge is Let's Celebrate. I invite all members to make a wall hanging to illustrate this subject. The wall hanging should be no larger than 25" on any side, maximum perimeter of 100 inches. The design, technique and colour are your choice. The quilts will be displayed at our June meeting and an award or 2 will be determined by a Viewer's Choice ballot. I hope you have fun with the challenge. Any questions, just let me know.

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

Round Robin



Unfortunately, our meeting was cancelled in December which means that our third exchange becomes problematic.

I encourage you to try to get in touch with your contact and make plans to pass your box on.

If you are unable to do so in December, I suggest that the December exchange occur at the Legion sew day in January - the 21st. The January exchange would be on the 18th of February at the Legion with a short turn around time to pass the box on at the in-town retreat on the 25th or 26th, for the fifth communication.

Please touch base with your contact and make arrangements that suit the two of you. If I can be of assistance, please get in touch.

Lynn

Community Quilts



We would like to extend good wishes to all for a happy and healthy 2026!

In December we were able to donate four beautiful quilts to the Children's Aid Society and two to the Kiwanis Club for a raffle. All were much appreciated and well received.

We have been given a very generous collection of "kiddy prints" and are currently working on sorting and cutting up squares and kits for some I Spy and child friendly quilts. The Children's Aid is happy to accept any size....crib, lap, or twin. They do have teenagers under their care and would welcome quilts that a teen may enjoy.

We currently have seven quilts ready to be long arm quilted. We were hoping a few would get picked up at the December meeting but unfortunately that didn't happen. If you are a long arm quilter and would be willing to quilt one for us please give Bev a call and she'd be happy to deliver it to you!

Happy New Year and Happy Quilting!

Bev, Marianne, Georgia

Kanata Quilt Guild – Refund Policy

Recently the guild has been faced with a number of refund requests for various reasons. We would like to confirm the approaches currently in place:

- Workshops are currently and will continue to be non-refundable. If you need to cancel, please contact the workshop coordinators to let them know you are withdrawing. If there is no wait list for the respective workshop and you find someone to replace you, please advise the workshop coordinators and arrange payment directly. If the guild has to cancel a workshop due to unforeseen circumstances, a refund or credit towards another workshop will be offered.
- Membership dues are non-refundable. There have been a number of instances where a member has paid twice. Please check your accounts to ensure you have paid your annual membership only once. In case of overpayment, please contact the Treasurer to discuss options.
- Refunds for out-of-town retreats remain at the discretion of the coordinators. Usually there is a pending wait list allowing the coordinators to replace a participant who has withdrawn.
- NEW: Spruceholme Inn now has established a 30-day notification deadline to provide participant numbers and dietary restrictions. Any refunds after this 30-day deadline will be handled on a case-by-case basis by the coordinators. All attempts will be made to replace a participant after the 30-day deadline from the waiting list, if there is one.

If you are unsure whether you have submitted payment for anything, please check your account information before submitting. It simply cuts down the time and effort required to do the processing, and electronic refunds take more time as all transactions require double verification. At this time, the guild will not be charging an administrative fee for any refunds.

Given the increased need for changes in financial accountability and transparency, a refund policy will be integrated into the upcoming review and update to the constitution.

Your attentiveness to this is much appreciated.

Iwona Mooney
V-President



What's Happening

February Fun Days

Kanata Quilt Guild Intown Retreat

When Wednesday, February 25 9:00 to 7:30, Thursday, February 26 9:00 to 3:30

Where The Kanata Legion 70 Hines Road Kanata North

What An Intown Retreat with snacks, lunch and supper on Wednesday, snacks and lunch on Thursday. All day coffee, tea and water.

How Set up your machine and supplies on Wednesday. Sew until supper and then continue into the evening. Leave you sewing area set up when you go home to your own bed, ready to start again on Thursday morning.

Why Time to sew with friends. Show and tell of your projects. Prizes and fun!

Cost \$90.00 per participant total for both days.

Registration Forms will be distributed in early January. These must be completed and submitted using the internet application. DO NOT PAY until asked to do so by the retreat co-ordinator – Lynn Price.



What's Happening continued

A friendly reminder that as we missed the December meeting, please bring any food donations for the Kanata Food Cupboard to the January Sew Day. If you wish to donate cash and want a tax receipt, you can donate directly to <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/give-the-gift-of-the-holidays>

Brigid



The Featherweight Club



Join the Featherweight Club this Sew Day to make vintage aprons, or new, using our wonderful machines and those amazing attachments. We suggest 2 - one meter cuts of coordinating fabric and thread.

~Linda

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CQA 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.

CQA 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!

As part of our CQA Guild membership we receive the Canadian Quilter magazine. It will be on the free table in December. Please read, enjoy and bring it back to the free table so someone else can enjoy it the following month.

Brigid

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