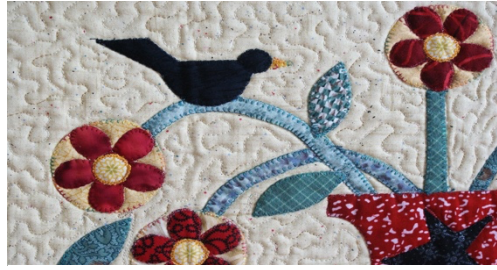


# Oxford Quilters Guild

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### March/April, 2023



#### President's Message

Hello Quilters,

During the sometimes dreary days of winter, I would like to encourage you to come out and enjoy our sew days. Monday from 9:30 – 2:30 and Thursday from 3:30 – 9:00. We are trying a unique approach to Thursdays. The first Thursday of the month is our meeting, the second Thursday is to learn how to make a small project, the third Thursday we will be sewing for Victoria Quilt and the last Thursday is to sew for yourself. Of course, on any of the Thursdays come on out and work on your own quilting.

I have heard that the Vice-President Day was a great success. Thank you for purchasing the pattern to support the guild,

We have always been known for our excellent quilt show and this year will be no exception. Be sure to register your quilts, sometimes registering them motivates us to finish! Keep on quilting and keep working on your quilts and boutique items for our show in May!

Have fun quilting,

Linda

REMEMBER: March meeting will be on ZOOM at 7:00 p.m. only.

#### SHOW and SHARE (while meetings are by zoom)

We really want to see what you have been working on! Leslie Poole puts together fabulous slide shows for our virtual Show and Share" section of the meeting. Please send a picture and brief description of your project to [ldvpoole@execulink.com](mailto:ldvpoole@execulink.com).

#### PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

Remember this challenge by creating a new project for each season. Also, please email Linda Smith at [sewfineca@gmail.com](mailto:sewfineca@gmail.com) your updated statistics so that you will have your name put in a draw in June.

## Program

### March Meeting

**Date: March 2, 2023 at 7pm (Via our Zoom acct)**

### Kim Caskey – Temperature Quilts



I have always admired artists and creative souls who have shared their fresh starts; their daily practices; their yearlong commitments. Whether that be a personal transformation with lifestyle and exercise changes or more creative rituals such as art journals, stitch meditations or a temperature quilt. Blogs and social media posts, Pinterest and internet searches are full of creative ways that motivate and inspire this renewal.

Temperature Quilts have been trending in online quilting communities the last few years. These fun and unique quilts are a great way to celebrate a special or ordinary year. The idea of a Temperature Quilt is to document the temperature of each day in a quilt block. A temperature gauge is created with corresponding fabric colours. Document the high and low temperature of each day in a block and at the end of the year, you have a quilt depicting temperature variations through the year.

Many, many variations of this unique quilt can be done –abnormal weather, special dates, how about noting your emotion of the day? This lecture will introduce you to the wonderful world of Temperature Quilts and you'll want to start yours immediately!

### April Meeting

**Date: April 6, 2023 at 2 and 7pm (in person at ICAC)**

### Gwen Tracey and Jo-Ann Claessen - Trunk Show

We are back – live and in person at ICAC with our well known friends Gwen Tracey and Jo-Ann Claessen presenting a top notch Trunk Show of their work! Joanne and Gwen first met in the late 70's when their husbands played on the same baseball team. Through the years their lives have intertwined and they share a love for quilting. They will be telling the stories of their quilting journey,



Looking forward to May 2023

## Goderich Quilters Guild - Past and Present

Every Guild in our great country has a different flavour (so to speak). This meeting is the return visit from our visit to them (happening in April). Let us see what Goderich is all about!

Goderich quilters guild will present a potpourri of creations that highlight some of our guild's quilting techniques and genres. Our program committee of Lisa Niglas, Betty Thomasson and Edna Keown will show you the quilts and quilted items that we curated from our members, that we think show a wide spectrum of talents and interests within our guild. A Question-and-Answer Session will also entice.

Date: **May 4 2023** at 2 and 7pm (In Person at ICAC)



## Workshops

### March Workshop (March 25) with Melissa Marginet

#### Introductory Walking Foot Workshop (3 hours– Zoom)

You will be guided through quilting a small quilt with your Walking Foot. You will learn the basic skills of Walking Foot Quilting and plenty of tips and tricks to help you along the way to quilting all your own quilts on your home sewing machine. Directions to make the small quilt are included with the class supply list.

To register contact Gail McHardy-Lietch at [cozyq@icloud.com](mailto:cozyq@icloud.com) or 519-631-2197 ...  
... "In the notes write your **"name and the word "Quilting"**. The password **should be "Ingersoll"**. **Be sure that you do both.**



### Saturday, March 25

9:30 to 12:30 on Zoom

**Fee:** \$42.00 for OQG members

\$50 for non-members

**(all fees must be paid upon Registration)**

## Classes

### IMPROV HOUSES QUILTING CLASS with Gail McHardy-Leach

**Improv Houses**

Saturday, April 15, 2023  
9:30 to 3:30

Learn to make scrappy improv houses to create your own unique neighbourhood quilt. I have permission from Jacquie Gering, who taught this class to me, to share her techniques for making these fun and interesting buildings.

Teacher- Gail McHardy-Leitch

**COST:**  
\$52.00 for ICAC members  
\$70.00 for non-members

## DYING IN A JAR CLASS with Jo-Ann Claessen

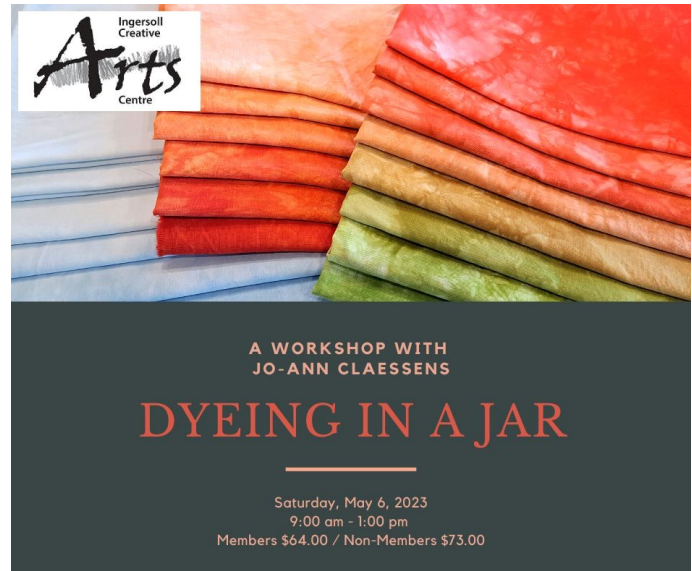
**Saturday, May 6, 2023**

**9:30 to 1:30 in person at ICAC**

This class will be a great first step in learning to dye your own fabric. Joanne has been experimenting with dying since taking a course at the Haliburton School of the Arts. You will learn the process for dying fabric in a six step gradation as well as a two colour cross over.

Watch the Friendly Friday for more details. Samples will be available at the April in person meeting.

To Register, Contact Stephanie at ICAC.



## Seasonal Block of the Month 2022-2023 Update

We are over halfway thru the BOM program and it will be even busier soon as we will distribute the patterns for up to August on an accelerated basis when we are back in person in April. If you need to catch up, please see the guild website and look under the 'Members only' and then 'OQG Challenges' heading. You will find the pdf copies of the instruction sheets there for the past months blocks.

For the paper piecing instructions, be sure your pattern test square measures 1" otherwise reprint from the website below directly as distortion may have occurred during photocopying.

If you have any questions or concerns during the year, please contact Carol Cleator or Theresa Woolley and we will do our best to help out.

List of 12" finished Blocks (to date): (see guild website or [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com) for instructions)

September- Fall Fancy

October- All Hallows Variation

November – Four Winds

December – Christmas Runner 2003 OR Christmas Star

January – Snowblossoms

February – Lover's Lane

March – Eyes of March

Please show your blocks at show and share in March or in person in April! Carol and I, especially would love to see how members are doing!

Submitted by Theresa Woolley

## Your 2022/2023 Executive

President	Linda Smith
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Retreat:	Judy Millard & Linda White
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## Quilt Show 2023

Our Show will be held May 11 – 13, 2023 at the Zorra/Embroidery Community Centre! Exciting time ahead as we plan for our event at this new venue!

Registration forms are available on our website and in paper form at the ICAC. Registrations have started coming in and we are looking forward to seeing lots of quilts of every member! The earlier you register the more time our volunteers have for getting all of the paperwork ready for the show – AND sometimes submitting the registration form is the push we need to get our project finished. Registration forms must be submitted by the end of day on April 15, 2023.

Please remember that ALL quilts will need a hanging sleeve and bar for the show. If you have questions about how to put a sleeve on your quilt or prepare a hanging bar please reach out to any committee member and we will be happy to assist you. Below is a picture of a “eye” that are very helpful on your bar for hanging purposes.



Quilts will need to be dropped off at the Embroidery Community Centre on Monday, May 8, 2023 between noon and 5:00 p.m.

## ***Boutique***

A message from the show boutique team:

Hello fellow quilters. Donna and I are beginning to organize the boutique for this year's quilt show. If you have anything to help out it would be much appreciated.

Here are some suggestions

- 5" eye spy squares
- 5" batik squares
- 2.5 " strips
- Books and magazines
- Patterns
- Smaller items – we have a large amount of very small items that we have in a 10/\$1.00 area
- Wall hangings, table toppers and table runners were very popular last year.
- Any items such as pin cushions, travel bags, ear ring cases etc that you have made
- Bags for items to be put in once items have been purchased (trying to avoid plastic)
- Placemats
- Quilt tops
- Any larger pieces of fabric that you no longer have a need for

These items may be brought to the center for pricing as we approach the show. Please label them well so we don't get things mixed up.

If you could please bring your books and magazines when you drop off your quilts that would be appreciated.

Any other items you may want to donate are appreciated. As well, we would prefer items only related to quilting.

Thanks

Pat and Donna

519-764-2368 or 519-630-7434

## ***Member Challenges***

#1 Star Challenge.

The quilt can be no smaller than 54" X 72".

When looking at the quilt you can easily see 1 or more stars.





## #2 “What is in your Garden”

Must be a quilt with a hanging sleeve (top, batting and backing, quilted however you like)

Outside dimension can be no larger the 72 inches.

You can add embellishments, it can be bedazzled, coloured, whatever you like.

Finally, please remember, that if you are able, we would appreciate quilting items for door prize donations. Our thought was that possibly our members had some new items that they haven't used, a pattern that they purchased and no longer wish to complete, a jelly roll or layer cake that they didn't use, fat quarters, maybe a

book that Amazon shipped two of by mistake. We will have a donation box for these items in our room for the April meeting.

Gwen Tracey

[gwentracey@execulink.com](mailto:gwentracey@execulink.com) or text 519-495-6192

## Library News

Our library shelves have arrived and been installed. Many thanks to Linda, Judy and Marion for transferring all the books from the carts to the shelves. While I have moved a few things around I still have some more organizing to do. I am also looking into ways to label the shelves. So, please be patient with me and you may find that things will move around for the next little bit while I find a set up that I think will work the best.

Here are a couple pictures that Marion sent me when they were done moving the books!





Now that the books are even more visible, my challenge to each of you is the next time you look for a book find one that hasn't been signed out since a previous inventory. Each card will have a date highlighted from the latest inventory. Try to find one that hasn't been taken out since before the pandemic. When you sign this book out I will make note of your name from the card and you will be entered into a draw. Let's see just how many books we can get recirculating from our impressive collection. I will draw the winners at our June banquet!

As always if you have taken out a book that you think should be shared with the membership, let me know what the book is and why you recommend it. I would like to add these to my library report as well as possibly display these with your recommendations for others to see!!

Keep reading and stitching your way to happiness!!

Leslie

## By the Pound Sale

We have been the lucky recipients of A LOT of fabric donations from Oxford Quilters Guild supporters. In between the daytime and evening sessions of our April meeting (April 6, 2023) members will have the opportunity to purchase this fabric "by the pound". More details of the sale will be shared at the March meeting, circulated in the 'Friendly Friday' and posted to our website.



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The logo for Sewfine Quilts features a stylized 'S' shape composed of four overlapping squares in blue with white polka dots, yellow, red, and orange with a floral pattern.

**Linda Smith**

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