



# Pieceful Pastimes

Mississauga Quilters Guild

April 2022

**Next Meeting: Thursday April 7 in Person!**  
**Following Meeting: Thursday May 5 in Person**  
**Room opens at 7:00 pm**  
**Meeting begins at 7:30 pm**

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## Message from the President

Hello all!

The clocks have sprung forward, and spring is in the air! I'm personally looking forward to emerald greens and colourful flowers as they start popping up in gardens soon. I'm also looking forward to seeing you all in person again!

As we move forward with our return to in-person meetings, some members have expressed concerns about the revised provincial mask mandates. Your Executive Committee shares those concerns and we have discussed your safety at great length. The Ministry of Health has said organizations are welcome to keep mandatory masking policies in place if they so choose, so we are choosing to make masks mandatory for our in-person meetings. We are consulting with the arena to arrange the meeting room seating to allow for distance between chairs, for your safety. We also ask that no refreshments be brought into the meeting room for the time being. While vaccinations are no longer mandatory, we do recommend you consider it.

To repeat: MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND OUR IN-PERSON MEETINGS UNTIL OTHERWISE POSTED.

We are very pleased to bring you Nancy McCracken and her trunk show for our back-to-in-person meeting. Her workshop on creating collage quilts will follow on April 9.

Don't forget the Block of the Month Mystery Quilt Clue is posted the day after our general meeting. CORE continues to appreciate your contributions of quilt tops, quilting and bindings for quilts and placemats. The Comfy Cases project is always in need of your pillowcases, the Quilts for Survivors project continues to seek contributions for the survivors of residential schools.

One last thing... We are still seeking nominees for your Executive Committee. Please check the "Nominating" section of the newsletter for the positions that are URGENTLY needed to be filled. The word URGENT can't be stressed enough, we need your participation, desperately. Please come forward to join, we'd love to have you!

Many thanks, and happy stitching!

*Darlene Jenah, President*

## Community Outreach (Core)

You have all been busy making items for our charity partners in Mississauga. Grateful recipients have been:

Peel Family Shelter - 39 quilts and 16 pillowcases

Hospice of Peel - 10 quilts, 20 pillowcases and 20 izzy dolls

Breakfast with Santa Layette program - 5 quilts, 6 knitted blankets and 4 baby hats

Feedback on the pillowcases has been very positive.

We are looking forward to seeing you and your quilts in-person at the arena. In case your fabric supplies are running low we will have a sale table at the Guild meeting.

The next CORE workshop is on Wednesday, April 13 from 10:00 to 12:30 a.m.

Thanks so much for your continued generous support of CORE.

*Wendy Yule, Kathy Chapman, Sandra Dunlop and Mary Beth Filegan CORE Coordinators*

## Nominating

As we slowly return to normal, we are all looking forward to getting our guild back to full tilt again and getting all our committees up and running. Many of our committee members have graciously stayed on in their positions longer than normal, to ensure continuity throughout the past two years. But now we will have some vacant spots ready to be filled with new, fresh faces. We are currently looking for people to step in for the following positions:

**Secretary**  
**Program**  
**Workshop**  
**Newsletter**  
**Block of the Month**  
**Website/Social Media**  
**Library**

Remember, you will be stepping into a role that is already well-established! You don't need to start from scratch. And, you will have the support of many previous committee members right behind you.

If you are wanting more info on any of these positions, please contact

*Marlene Weaver*

## Block of the Month

We have come to the end of our mystery. This month you will get the final clue. The following week we will be sending Patrick the instructions on how to put the quilt together along with pictures of the quilts we made. Mary has made hers bigger. We hope you have enjoyed this mystery and can't wait to see what everyone has done

*Linda Ward and Mary Dodd, BOM Convenors*

## Program

Learn more about our speakers by pressing Ctrl+Click on their links below.

So far, we had the pleasure of listening to:

September 2021: Paul Leger's - *My Journey in Quilting*. <http://www.paullegerquilts.com>

October 7, 2021 – Dawn Hunt – *Valuing Your Quilts*. <http://www.fibrework.com/>

November 4, 2021 – Julia McLeod – *Silk and Salvage, a Story of Collaboration* [www.juliamcleodquilts.com](http://www.juliamcleodquilts.com)

December 2, 2021 – We enjoyed

- a short presentation by Paul Leger of his collection of art quilts
- Virtual trivia and bingo, hosted by Marlene Weaver – Thanks Marlene.
- Trivia - Heather Black, Zildie DeMichele, Darlene Jenah and Teresa Henriques
- Bingo - Paula Lee-Len and Ruthie Snell
- Door Prizes - Liz Kwadran and Florence Sherbonowski

The prizes for this event were donated by Ruthie Snell, Virginia Rothwell and Diane McCullough. Thanks to Ruthie, Virginia and Diane.

Thank you for participating in MQG games night - December 2, 2021. I had fun and I hope you did as well.

January 6, 2022: Kim Caskey – *Tour of Japan* [www.kimcaskey.ca](http://www.kimcaskey.ca)

February 3, 2022 - Jackie White – Trunk Show [www.jackiewhitequilts.com](http://www.jackiewhitequilts.com)

March 3, 2022 – Melissa Marginet – Myth: Quilting is an Expensive Hobby <http://melissamarginet.ca/>

Stay tuned for:

#### April 7, 2022 – Nancy McCracken – Trunk Show

Nancy started her quilting career at age 40. With Jill Petit as her mentor, she learned piecing, paper piecing, appliqué, persistence, and stamina.

Nancy have won several quilting awards which includes a group award of excellence and individual award from CQA.

#### May 5, 2022 – Robin Bogaert – Trunk Show

Robin is a long arm quilter, owner, and creator of *Quilting in the Loft*. As a past owner of a quilt shop in Windsor, Ontario, she has years of valuable experience. Robin's roots in quilting are traditional, however she appreciates modern quilt design. Robin considers the focus of work to be professional quilting, teaching classes, designing, free motion quilting, ruler work and thread painting. [www.quiltingintheLoft.com](http://www.quiltingintheLoft.com)

*Paula Lee-Len, Program Convenor*

## Workshops

Workshops for 2021-2022

April and May workshops will be in person and will cost \$50. There is still room available in both workshops. Please contact Ruthie to register.

Nancy McCracken: “Collage Quilts” An in-person class and Tomken Arena  
April 9th, 10-3

Robin Bogaert: “Ruler Quilting”, [www.quiltingintheLoft.com](http://www.quiltingintheLoft.com). An in-person class  
May 7th 10-3

*Ruthie Snell and Elizabeth McDowell, Workshop Convenors*

## Newsletter

Have something for the newsletter? Please email articles, tips, ideas or suggestions to the guild email address [MississaugaQuiltersGuild@gmail.com](mailto:MississaugaQuiltersGuild@gmail.com)

**Deadline for May Newsletter: April 21, 2022**

**Deadline for future Newsletters:**

June – May 19, 2022

September – August 18, 2022

## Membership

It is finally spring, and April means it is time for membership renewal for the 2022-2023 MQG year. Attached here you will find the Membership Renewal Letter along with the membership renewal form. Please read the instructions carefully! As we move to in-person meetings there are three different ways to renew your membership, depending on whether you attend in person and whether I am at the meeting! These will also be posted on the website, where the form can be filled out electronically and your name typed in on the signature line.

*Melanie Blake*

## Comfy Cases



Mark your calendar and come out to join a fun day event with Comfy Cases! Volunteers from all over Southern Ontario will be coming together for a day of sewing pillowcases, with raffles and prizes to add to the fun. It will be held at our very own **Tomken Arena** here in Mississauga, on **Sunday, May 15, 10 am to 3pm.**

We provide the fabric, you bring your sewing machine, and together let's whip up lots of happy pillowcases for Comfy Cases to distribute!

RSVP to Marlene Weaver  
*Marlene Weaver, Past President*

## Library

NO LIBRARY FOR THE REST OF THIS QUILT YEAR. Although we will start meeting again, in person, in April the library will remain closed.

There are several reasons for this decision. First, and most important, the inventory is not complete. For the first time in years, it has been possible to conduct a proper inventory which has uncovered some problems. If the books were to be put out in the usual manner it would be impossible to complete the inventory and rectify the problems. We have no volunteers at the present time and there is no guarantee we could get any for only three months. Our student volunteers would need to feel safe, as well as our members. Also, I could be on my own for the three months as Jane had eye surgery in March and will have it again in April.

We have thought of different ways to make it safe to choose and return books, but no solution comes without its problems. If we need room to keep our members safely distanced, then we may not even have room for library tables. Presently, only a small core of members makes use of the library. Therefore, for all the stated reasons the library will not be open this year. The hope is that the new librarians can open a library in excellent shape in September!

*Diane McCullough Jane Crockford*

## CQA

Check out the website for upcoming lectures. You can find the list of lectures here: <https://canadianquilter.com/webinars/> This month the speakers are Colette Dumont and Jackie White & Young Sewing Entrepreneur – Brooklyn. Tickets are available on the website.

This years conference is a go. The workshop and lecture descriptions are on the website: <https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-canada-2022/>

Also check out the challenges for Quilt Canada 2022. The kits for Trendtex Refresh Challenge are available for purchase now. There's a Rewire challenge for members and a Real Fun Youth Challenge for youth up to 19 years of age. Entries for this challenge need a CQA member to sponsor it. Finally, there is a Reaffirm challenge for member guild. This requires fabric colours to represent our province blue some red. The guild votes which challenge is their favorite and submits it. Details for all the challenges can be found here: <https://canadianquilter.com/cqa-acc-quilt-challenges-2022/>

There is also a new(old) Quilt along for 2022. They are re-releasing the millennium Quilt each month over the course of this year. This was a quilt originally published in 1999. You can find all the details here: <https://canadianquilter.com/quilt-alongs/> and the link to join the related facebook group.

If you have sponsored a youth challenge entry, please let us know so we can publish a list of these quilts. We have received information about one such entry and look forward to sharing the information with you once the links go live.

## Other Possibilities

- There are two zoom sewing sessions for you to join each week. Wednesday evening starting at 6:30 and Thursday afternoon starting at 1:30. You can stitch away while visiting with other members
- If you have a link to a tip, please send it to me for future issues.

*Helen Anne Lemke, Newsletter Convenor*

## Social

Since we are asking that no refreshments be brought to the meeting, no recipe this month.

## Retreat 2022

Unfortunately, the retreat has been cancelled for this year. Stay tuned for news of next years retreat which we hope will be able to go forward.

Contact me by email or leave a message on my home phone if you have any questions

*Pam Sawyer*



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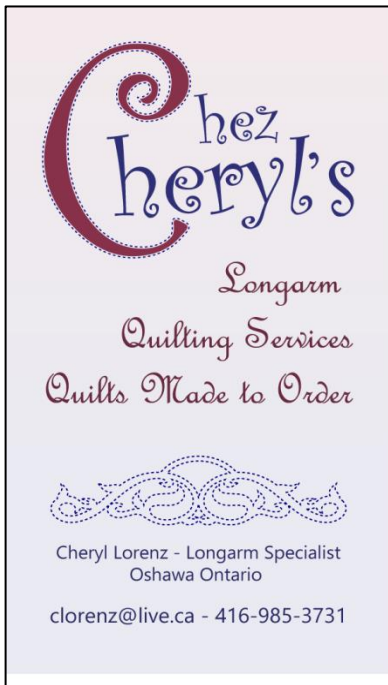


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## Upcoming Events

Dates	Location	Event
June 2 – 3, 2022	Ancaster Fair Grounds	Hamilton Quilters Guild Show. <a href="http://hamiltonquiltguild.ca/show-quilts-in-bloom.html">http://hamiltonquiltguild.ca/show-quilts-in-bloom.html</a>
June 16 – 18, 2022	Vancouver Convention Centre East	Quilt Canada2022
April 5, 2022		Trendtex Challenge Received by Deadline for Judging
April 15, 2022		Online Deadline to register Youth Challenge Quilts for CQA
April 30, 2022		Online Deadline to register Rewire Challenge Quilt for CQA
May 27, 2022		Trendtext Challenge Received by deadline for donation of quilt.
September 30 – October 1, 2022	Best Western Brantford Conference Centre, 19 Holiday Drive, Brantford, Ontario	Once Upon a Quilt 2022 Brant Heritage Quilters Guild Show
July 30 – 31, 2022	Morris Lawrence Building, Washtenaw Community College Ann Arbor, Michigan	Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild <a href="https://www.qaaqg.com/our-events/quilt-show/">https://www.qaaqg.com/our-events/quilt-show/</a>
June 8 – 10, 2023	Halifax, Nova Scotia	Quilt Canada 2023



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