

Quiltations

The Newsletter of Quilters' Connection

October 2014

2014/2015 Meeting Calendar

- Monday Oct. 20 Modern Quilts: Panel Discussion
- Tuesday** November 25 Natalya Aikens
- Monday January 12 Kathleen Loomis
- Monday February 16 Ann Shaw
- Monday March 16 Judy Coates Perez
- Tuesday** April 28 Nancy Crasco
- Monday May 11

All events are held at
The Arsenal Center for the Arts
321 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA
Doors open at 6pm
Meetings start at 7:30pm
Non-member guest fee: \$10

Winter Free Workshop

Saturday, January 24, 2015 9am-4pm
St. Brigid's Parish, Lexington, MA

Annual Quilt Show

May 29, 30, 31 2015



President's Letter

Dear Friends,

I'm really looking forward to the discussion about Modern Quilts at our next meeting. I like the aesthetic of this genre of quilts and find the energy of the young artists who create them to be refreshing and exciting. I hope you all will join us for this **panel discussion and show of Modern Quilts at our next meeting Oct 20th.**

When the weather starts to cool down, my thoughts go skipping ahead to the **Winter Free Workshop**. We would like to serve a hot meal this January as in most years past. Our wonderful WFW meal committee has decided to pass the baton to the next generation, so we need at least three volunteers who will cook chili, soup, and salad. These can be prepared at home and brought in to St. Brigid's.

We earmarked some of the funds we raised at the Silent Auction in May for the Comfort Quilt project, headed by Jane Norberg. This means we can purchase more batting, fabric, etc., and up our output. Jane has a scrapbook of thank you pictures and cards that make you want to sew and stuff more and more. The next **CQ workshop at Brookhaven** (1010 Waltham Street, Lexington) will be 12/6 from 9-4. At the CQ workshops you get to have fun and feel virtuous at the same time. A delicious lunch is provided by Brookhaven.

Hope I'll see you Oct 20th.

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Comfort Quilts:

We are off to a fantastic start! We had our first comfort workshop at St. Margaret's. We had 38 participants and made great progress. We finished 45 teddy bears, tied 11 quilts and put bindings on all 11 of them, and pin basted 6 quilts. We got many other quilts ready with borders for the December workshop. Many new quilts were started, and many taken home for the binding to be sewn. A great, productive day!!!

Our next workshop is on Saturday December 6 at Brookhaven at Lexington. we will be there from 9-4, so come join us if you can. We are scheduling more workshops for the winter/spring time slots. I will announce dates and locations as soon as I firm them up. Thanks everyone for all the dedication and hard work.

*Questions? contact Jane Norberg,
781-376-5598*

Cambridge Art Association Presents:
MOTION ENVISIONED
November 3-29, 2014

A Multidimensional, Visual Exploration of Motion, Its
Myriad Meanings, and Manifestations Through
Unconventional Media;
Fabric, Fiber, Video, Wood, Wind, Installation
BY

Bea Grayson, Bob Hesse, Ruth Lieberherr
Kathryn Schultz Gallery
25R Lowell Street, Cambridge, MA
Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11am - 5pm
The Public is Invited to an opening reception
Saturday, November 15, 3-5pm
and Panel Discussion
Wednesday, November 19, 6-8pm

www.cambridgeart.org

PROGRAM NOTES

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I would like to thank Ann Bonsett, Louise Cohen, Anna Oberlander and Margaret Rolph for staffing the workshop sign-up tables prior to the September 15th meeting. In addition I want to call out a huge THANK YOU to Susan Monjan who was not only at the workshop sign-up, but is now continuing to work on the final class lists for the upcoming workshops. Susan will be posting initial workshop lists to the QC site on October 15th so make sure you check the site!

At this point we have one opening for Natalya Aikens' workshop on Saturday November 22. If you are interested please fill out the registration form and send to Susan Monjan with your check. The registration form is on the sidebar of the Workshop page on the QC site and you will find Susan's address in the FAQ in the same location.

**Please join us Monday October 20, at 7:30 for a panel discussion:
"Quilting Communities in the Modern Age: The Making of a New Community"**

Is modern quilting really all that different from traditional or art quilting? Aren't they kind of...sloppy in their techniques? How has the internet changed the world of quilting? A panel of modern quilters will address these and other questions, in talking about their own experiences and evolution as quilters and sewers. Alexis Deise, Rachel May, and Rebecca Loren are members of the Boston Modern Quilt Guild, and Virginia Johnson owns Gather Here, a space for making with fiber. Each quilter has her own aesthetic and take on quilting -- modern, traditional, art or otherwise -- and what it means to make in the modern age. Rachel May will talk about what she learned by interviewing more than 75 quilters for her book, *Quilting with a Modern Slant*, and each panelist will speak to her own process and bring samples of work to show, followed by, we hope, a lively conversation with guild members.

Hope to see many of you at our October 20th meeting!

Deborah Gonet

The Winter Free Workshops on January 24th NEEDS MORE TEACHERS. We have five teachers lined up presenting topics including beading, machine embroidery techniques and fusible mini quilts. Please, step forward for the fun of sharing your skills and knowledge with fellow members and become a teacher for a 3-hour or all day workshop. A variety of fun workshops is the centerpiece of this day! We need you!

*Our survey after last year's event asked us to bring back the food. Members from the past food committee are no longer able to participate. This is your opportunity to take charge of food for the workshop day and do it in **any way you see fit**: potluck, pizzas, soups, whatever. You will have a budget. Perhaps a day beez group could take this on? Our esteemed president has said she will head this up if necessary, but she already does so much for us! **Please, step forward to fill this important slot.***

We will work with the teachers to have sign ups and class lists for the November and January meetings.

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Winter Free Workshop committee

Pat Delaney has four quilts, all of which have been displayed at QC shows, included in the new book "500 Traditional Quilts" chosen by Karey Bresenhan. There will also be an article about Pat in the November issue of The Quilter magazine. It has photos of some of the same quilts published in the book and is the story of how Pat discovered quilting for herself.

Diane Franklin is pleased to announce the publication of her new book, "Dyeing Alchemy", a two-part e-book focused exclusively on Procion MX dyeing. It consists of an interactive workbook and a primer.

Elin Noble is one of the artists included in the exhibition "Unraveled Contemporary New England Fiber Art" at Museums of Old York, September 20 - December 6, 3 Lindsay Rd, York ME. www.oldyork.org

Elin Noble also has an exhibit "Vox Stellarum" at the the La Conner Quilt and Textile Museum, October 9 - December 28, 703 South Second St, La Conner WA. www.LaConnerQuilts.org . This is the tenth time this dramatic and transparent installation has been presented. Each venue has been distinctly different, installed according to space and light. The installation was initially created in response to an 18th century engraving from "Physica sacra," by Johann Jakob Scheuchzer, a natural scientist who believed science and sacred scriptures were not mutually exclusive. For each installation, Noble utilizes the itajime shibori clamp-resist process - folding and clamping silk organza, selectively removing the sericin (silk gum), and adding and subtracting color (variations on black). The result is an exquisite interplay between transparency and opaqueness, and a subtle shifting of overlapping shapes and moiré patterns. The artist's goal is to create a meditative space, a space visually engaging and poetic.

Billie Berents, Jeanne Funk-Geddes, Janice Gould, Penny Sander, Missy Shay and Gail Pettiford Willett, along with Carol Brown and Kendra J. Dowd is part of the exhibit BINDING THREADS II: 8 CONTEMPORARY QUILTERS, at the Old Schwamb Mill, 17 Mill Lane, Arlington MA. September 27 - November 15, 2014, Tuesdays and Saturdays, 11AM - 3PM

Laurie LaConte is the featured quilter for October at Tumbleweed Quilts in Barnstable. If on the Cape stop by the gallery to see a display of 6 of Laurie's quilts.

Please send your News & Notes to: Nancy Wasserman, wnwasserman@aol.com

THE BEEZ ARE BUZZING!

Last year 50 QC members handed in applications to join a QC Bee. Of these applicants several groups were formed, generally based on location. Currently there are three active groups, each with between 5-10 members. Attrition happens!

If you are interested in becoming a member of a group, please email the following information to Linda Hicks, our Queen Bee, at LmCHicks@aol.com:

YOUR NAME:

YOUR CITY:

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS:

YOUR PHONE NUMBER:

YOUR AVAILABILITY (am, pm, evening, weekends):

HOW FAR WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO TRAVEL:

COULD YOU HOST MEETINGS AT YOUR HOME OR FIND A LIBRARY ROOM TO USE:

DO YOU HAVE A MAJOR PASSION IN QUILTING:

Rising Star Quilters 27th Annual Quilt Show & Sale

New show days:

Friday, October 24, 2014 from 10am - 5pm

Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 10am - 4pm

New location:

St Brigid's Church

1995 Massachusetts Avenue

Lexington, MA

\$6 admission; 12 years and under are free

Guild boutique, raffle quilts, vendors, café, demonstrations, scavenger hunt

Portion of proceeds donated to REACH Beyond Domestic Violence

more info: <http://www.risingstarquilters.org/>

*Concord Piecemakers Biennial
FABRIC YARD SALE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2014
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
HELD INDOORS AT:
ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
435 CENTRAL ST. ACTON, MA (Exit 41 off Rt. 2)*

*A variety of fabric yardage, along with fabric in smaller cuts, will be for sale at substantial savings. In addition, books, magazines, patterns, kits, UFO's, notions, knitting and crochet supplies will be available.
Please note: CASH ONLY*

Tewksbury Piecemakers 2014 Quilt Show
"Our Timeless Treasures"
October 18th and 19th, 2014
10 am - 4 pm
Tewksbury Senior Center
175 Chandler St. , Tewksbury , MA

- * Over 100 quilts on display *
- * Raffle Quilt * Raffle Baskets *
- * Vendors *
- * Member's Boutique: hand made items & crafts for sale *
- * Sewing Yard Sale *
- * Lunch Served All Day *
- * Plenty of Free parking *
- * Wheelchair Accessible *
- * Admission \$6.00

For more information contact: Denise Sawyer 978-761-7415 dgsawyer1@yahoo.com



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