

*The Newsletter of Quilters' Connection
Arlington, Massachusetts*

Quiltations

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Dear QC:

Wasn't Show & Tell great? Kudos to all of you new members for getting up there and showing off your great work. As always, I just love the fact that a gorgeous rendering of a much-loved pattern is followed by a terrifically innovative piece by a fabulous wearable by more of it all.

I don't know about you but this has been the busiest fall I can remember in quite a long time. As my friend reminded me on a stressful day, "All good stuff." True enough. One of the elements of this busy fall is certainly QC and that regain certainly works here. All good stuff. The executive board is working on some changes that will benefit the guild and all of its members. The aim is to get more of you involved in more aspects of the guild. The net effect will be to make us closer as a group, stronger as a guild. Be on the lookout for more details as we refine the plan.

This month we realize how blessed we are as a guild as our own member **Ruth McDowell** will share with us her new work. This is very exciting and I know that I have not a few friends who have asked me to bring them as guests.

Looking forward, the Holiday Boutique and Party was a smash hit last year. I hope you'll come this year and if you have items for sale, think about renting a table (more info inside). I know I cleaned up last year selling my hand-dyes. This year I think it's only right that I just schmooze.

We also have the workshop registration form in this issue. We have three great workshops planned, first from in February our own **Amy Ropple**, then in March from Maine's Diane Hire and in May from California's Freddy Moran. Remember that there are two reasons to respond by December 15. First, you get a break on the price of the workshops. Second, after that, we open the workshops up to non-QC members if there is space.

Last, I'd like to acknowledge two new volunteers. **Carolyn Rabson** is our new Secretary and brought a lot of great ideas to her first Executive Board meeting. Second is **Dona Jean Downer** who is going to coordinate workshop registration. You'll be sending her your form and your check. Thanks to you both for stepping up.

I'm getting all those reds, oranges, golds, yellows and browns out of my stash to let our glorious landscape inspire my quilting. I hope you too are letting your inspiration take you. All good stuff.

Cheers –

Heidi

President, 2003-2004

Next Board Meeting:

November 3, 2003

The meeting will be held in the parlor at FPUUC at 7:00 p.m. Please call Heidi Bercovici if you plan to attend or have agenda items.

Quiltations Deadline:

November Issue – Nov. 1, 2003

My email address is:

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Hard copy or files may be sent to my home address. Disk files or email attachments should be preformatted. Please use Microsoft Word or RTF (rich text format) if possible.

Thank you –

Ken Gullotti

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NEWS AND NOTES by Donna Morales-Oemig

It seems everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather we've finally had lately so News and Notes is pretty empty. I would like to update everyone on where the members exhibited over the summer since I was not able to see any shows during the summer. If you exhibited anywhere, please let me know and we'll put in a blurb about it next month. Also, if you have a piece in the Gathering, or perhaps in Houston, pass along the news!

Amy Robertson has a quilt "Gandhara" at Houston International Quilt Festival this year. It was in the QC 2002 show.

Dilla G. Tingley will be showing her quilts at the Bacon Free Library, 58 Eliot Street, South Natick MA. The show runs from November 4, 2003 through Jan 4, 2004 with a reception on Saturday, November 15, 4-5 pm. Library hours are MWF 2-5:30, Tues 9:30-11:30 and 2-8:30, Thurs 9:30-11:30 and 2-5:30, and Saturday 10-2.

Springhouse Gallery in Jamaica Plain has again given members of our guild the opportunity to exhibit, from Jan 3rd to mid-February. Small to medium-size wall quilts are requested. If they are for sale the gallery will take a 20% commission. Please contact **Mary Gillis** at 617-266-2383 by December 1.

Gladys Perkins' quilt, Different Viewpoints, has been selected to be part of the 2003 Tactile Architecture exhibit.

Each year the MAQS (Museum of the American Quilter's Society) in Paducah, Kentucky requests that guilds make a donation to the museum's annual benefit auction which is held during the AQS Quilt Show in April. Last year we donated a copy of Visions and Voices to the auction. This year, the QC Board voted to purchase a quilt made by one of our members and donate it to the MAQS auction; the budget for the donation is \$150 (which would be paid to the member whose quilt is selected for the donation.) Members are entitled to submit up to three entries. Submissions may either be by e-mail with a digital photo (in jpg format) or by sending a slide. If submitting a digital photo by e-mail, include the member's name, the title and size of the piece, and e-mail to:

President@quiltersconnection.org

If submitting slides, mark each slide with the member's name, title and size of piece, indicate top on the front of the slide, and mail to Heidi Bercovici, 44 Hastings Road, Ashburnham, MA 01430. Deadline is January 31st.

Send your News and Notes information to me at qcfan2000@yahoo.com for inclusion in future Quiltations. Go Sox, Go Cubs!

Membership News

The membership address book will be distributed at the October meeting. If you would like the membership book sent to you please send me a LSASE (large 5 x 8 envelope with a 60 cent stamp).

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Shrewsbury MA 01545

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Program Notes

The December meeting will again be a holiday party/boutique. If you would like to showcase your wares for display and sale, half tables are \$5 and full tables are \$10. Please send your check **to Heidi Bercovici**, 44 Hastings Road, Ashburnham, MA 01430 (or call 978-827-4895).
Fee free to encourage guests to come and shop (the guest fee does not apply. Guests welcome to come free.)

QC Treasurer Heads West

Carlton College will again be the lucky recipient of **Tammy Feldman's** talents as she spends the winter and spring on the Minnesota campus as a visiting professor. This means that QC is in need of a treasurer beginning in December/January. The treasurer's job is a big but not unwieldy job and Tammy is a great trainer/support person. Please call **Heidi Bercovici** at 978-827-4895 if you are interested.

January Free Workshops Saturday, January 10, 2004 Come one, Come all!

Yes, we will be back again. Although we have not yet begun our busy holiday season we all know that it is coming. We also surely can depend on our lovely winter weather seasons' return. As all this begins to wind down you can rest assured that there will be a day just for you. As the line-up of teachers is nearing completion, and will be published in the next Newsletter, please hold the date open so that you will not miss out on a great time spent with fellow members doing what we love best. Playing with fabric, designing and creating together! Oh yes, let us not forget the LUNCH!

Library News October 2003

Lost books

Please check your shelves for "Two Color Quilts" by Nancy Martin, "The Calico House" by Joanna Brazier and "Quilt Creation: Develop a new world of quilted texture" by Yoshiko Jinzouji. Someone borrowed them last year without signing them out.

New Books donated by That Patchwork Place

Triangle Tricks gives good instructions for rotary cutting and machine piecing a unit called "Mary's Triangle" by Sally Schneider in Scrap Mania about 10 years ago and lots of projects using this technique.

Celebrations! Quilts for cherished family moments by Mary M. Covey is a good beginner book with 8 quilts for babies, children and other family gifts.

New Books purchased over the summer

Free-style quilts: a "no rules" approach by Susan Carlson shows how to create an applique collage of fabrics with tacky glue, raw edges and machine stitchery to create portraits and the fish she teaches in her workshops.

Quilt National 2003 received 1452 entries from 676 artists in 47 states and 20 countries. Boston-area quilters Linda Levin and Jeanne Williamson were among the 84 judged "the best of contemporary quilts." The catalog includes large color photos and brief statements from each artist.

New Magazines over the summer

Quilting Arts Magazine #11 as always focuses on embellishment techniques. This issue includes silk ribbon embroidery, fusing, use of a heat gun, free-motion quilting, surface printing, fabric books, and dolls. QC member Maxine Farkas writes about surface design in art quilts.

Book Order Suggestions

Quilters'Connection Library
Book Purchase Suggestions

Title _____
Author _____
Source _____

Suggested by _____
Date _____

give to Martha Supnik at meeting or mail to me at
601 Heald Rd., Carlisle, MA 01741

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Please note that my new e-mail address is
Martha@Supnik.org and save it in your address book. Thanks.

2003-2004 WORKSHOPS

Take advantage of these excellent teachers from our backyard (**Amy Ropple** from the neighborhood, Diane Hire from Maine) and the other side of the country (Freddy Moran from California). This year's workshops are held on Saturdays at First Parish Unitarian Church at the corner of Mass. Ave. and Route 60 in Arlington, from 9am until 4 pm.

Each workshop is limited to 20 persons, so sign up early to reserve a spot.

February 28 **Amy Ropple** THE POWER OF SMALL

Working on a small scale allows for more immediate results, and provides an artist with a powerful design tool for developing compositional style. This workshop will focus on the process of playful experimentation in designing small mixed media collage quilts. Participants are encouraged to use materials they like to create a one-of-a-kind improvisational collage quilt, considering ways of cutting, combining, and quilting fabrics. Ways of embellishing the surface with beads and small objects will also be shown. Come have fun, and see where your creative intuition takes you!

March 27 Diane Hire COME PLAY WITH ME

Need to lighten up? Not having any quilting fun? Then, this workshop's for you. Improvisational and intuitive, we'll play liberating games at your sewing machine, allow creative juices to flow. We'll slice and dice fabrics, trade slivers of blocks, hunt for bright colors just begging for a place to land in a quilt. Return home with a few oxymoron blocks, in random order.

May 22 Freddy Moran FREDDY'S HOUSE

Come learn to make four of the house blocks featured in her book, Freddy's House and explore color from this artist who insists that red is a neutral!

All one-day workshops are \$50.00

Register by December 15 and receive a \$5.00 discount per workshop

- Workshops will be opened to non-members of QC after December 15.
 - Refunds will be given if you withdraw no later than four weeks before the workshop date. Later cancellations will result in refund only if the workshop is filled.
 - You must send a self-addressed stamped envelope for each workshop so that a supply list can be sent to you
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REGISTRATION

Send checks payable to Quilters' Connection to:

Donna Jean Downer

10 Standish Drive

Canton, MA 02021

Telephone: (781) 821-4692

Email: djdquilt@comcast.net

REMEMBER YOUR SASE!!!

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETING APPLICATIONS FOR QC SCHOLARSHIPS

Applicant must be a regular Quilters' Connection member and have paid his/her dues for the current year. The only obligation to the Quilters' connection is to share the experience by writing and publishing an article in *Quiltations*. Any member who receives a scholarship may not reapply for five years. If the member is deriving income from a school or conference, s/he is not eligible for a scholarship.

TIMETABLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

OCTOBER – Guidelines and application published in *Quiltations*

FEBRUARY 1st – Applications must be received.

APRIL MEETING – Scholarships awarded.

TO APPLY FOR A CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

1. Carefully complete the form as published in this newsletter. You may photocopy the form. A member of the scholarship committee will be available before and after the October and December meetings to answer any questions.
2. The following schools and organizations are recommended by the scholarship committee .

Boston University School of the Arts	Brookfield Craft Center
DeCordova Museum School	Haystack Mountain School of Crafts
Horizons of New England	Internations Quilt Study Center
Massachusetts College of Art	Montserrat College of Art
North County Studio Conference	Penland School of Crafts
Peters Valley Crafts Center	Quilt Surface Design Symposium
Rhode Island School of Design	School of the Museum of Fine Arts
Shelburne Museum	Sturbridge Village
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Worcester Center for Crafts

TO APPLY FOR A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship will be awarded to the first applicant in any given year. Applications are accepted by the Massachusetts Cultural Council on the 15th of every month. If no members apply for the Professional Development Scholarship by the March meeting, a second Educational Scholarship will be awarded.

1. Obtain an application for the Professional Development Program of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, 120 Boylston Street, Boston MA 02116 -4600
Telephone (617) 727-3668
2. Complete the application form according to the MCC guidelines.
3. Submit the completed application to the scholarship committee for appropriate signatures. It will be returned ASAP.
4. The following conferences or organizations are recommended by the scholarship committee.

American Quilt Study Group Conference
Contemporary Quilt Art Conference
Friends of Fiber Art Conferences
Quilt National
Studio Art Quilt Associations Conference
Surface Design Association Conference
Textile Society of America Conference

**QUILTERS' CONNECTION CONTINUING EDUCATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Please type or print clearly. Please attach to this form a *brief* statement of purpose for the course in which you have enrolled. What do you hope to achieve by taking the course and how do you plan to use the newly acquired skill or information? (The statement should not exceed one page using 12 point type)

Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Institution to which you have applied:

Address:

Title of course or workshop:

Instructor:

Description of course or workshop:(You may attach brochure or catalog description.)

Date(s) of Attendance:

Total cost of course or workshop:

Tuition:

Travel:

Supplies:

Signature:

Date:

Return to: QC Scholarship Committee, c/o Nancy Crasco, 78 Fairbanks Street, Brighton, MA 02135

⌘ Calendar ⌘

October 28, 2003 (Tuesday)

COMMON THREADS QUILT GUILD will hold it's next meeting at the 4H Building at Topsfield Fair Grounds (Topsfield, MA) 7:00 -9:00 PM. The guest speaker will be **ROSEMARY BAWN**, a quilt maker who is known for her RED SOX pictorials. All are welcome, guest fee \$5.00. For more information call Millie 978-777-2613 or chairlady@verizon.net

October 28, 2003 (Tuesday)

The NIMBLE THIMBLERS QUILT GUILD invites everyone to join them at their annual guild auction. The auction will take place at the Reading Municipal Light Dept. cafeteria, located at 230 Ash St., in Reading, Mass. (Ash St. is directly behind the Main St.(Rt. 28)Burger King restaurant.) Preview begins at 7pm, then the fun begins. Come join us and find some bargains. We auction all sorts of UFOs - blocks, quilt tops - along with lots of fabric. Also included are patterns, books, magazines and other quilt and sewing related items. For more information contact Susan Nelson at suemaci@comcast.net

BALTIMORE ALBUM QUILT SHOW - "Baltimore Album Quilts: Applied Artistry," will be on display at The Baltimore Museum of Art from November 5, 2003 - May 9, 2004. This rare exhibition will feature over 20 exceptional album quilts and individual squares created in Baltimore between 1845 and 1865. The Museum Holiday Shop will also feature a variety of unique items that have been specially made with quilters in mind, including a new Quilt Card assortment and thank you card derived from the spectacular Samuel Williams reproduction quilt made by the Baltimore Applique Society.

March 25 - 28, 2004 - - 4 Days / 3 Nights

Welcome Springtime in Victorian Elegance
QUILTING AT WENTWORTH BY THE SEA Victorian Hotel and Spa, New Castle, NH. Come join us at this 1874 seaside resort for 4 days of quilting, lectures, gatherings and fun. Come early or stay an extra day and book a spa treatment. Make an 1800's reproduction quilt, a photo transfer quilt or Pinwheel and Posey applique quilt. Enjoy technique classes, evening Quilt-ins with trunk shows and lectures.

Package: Includes an elegant room with water views, arrival Wine and Cheese greeting, Breakfast and Lunch each day, one 2 day class and one 1 day techniques class, evening gatherings/lectures and Saturday afternoon Tea. Come join us at the Elegant Victorian Hotel. Visit <http://www.sprayandfix.com/wentworth.html> for more details.

"The Art of Being Tactile - Works in Fiber" is an online juried Art Exhibition that opens October 1, 2003 Richmond, Virginia (USA) and is on view from October 1 until November 3, 2003. Dorisanna Conner, Curator of Collections at the Museum of the American Quilter's Society, Paducah, KY was the juror. Exhibition Previews:

<http://www.CLVquilts.com/BrodskyGallery.htm>

<http://www.CLVquilts.com/Rathbun.htm>

UPCOMING SHOWS:

October 18 & 19, 2003 - - - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM each day - -
- Cost: \$5.00 - NINIGRET QUILTERS QUILT SHOW
Westerly Armory, Corner of Dixon & Railroad, Westerly, RI
For information contact: Barbara Barber at 401-322-7906

October 18 & 19, 2003 (Saturday 9 AM-4PM) (Sunday 10 AM-4PM) THIMBLES AND FRIENDS - Quilt Show "The Story is in the Stitches" -S. Shore Reg. Voc Tech High School, 476 Webster St., Hanover, MA (on Rte 123)

Quilt show, mini-quilt auction, vendors, challenge displays, quilt and sewing machine raffle

For more info: thimblesandfriends@attbi.com

Show features nearly 200 quilts, challenge displays, comprehensive vendors mall, Viking Lily 545 sewing machine raffle, "Americana Stars" quilt raffle, small quilt auction, demos, boutique & quilter's yard sale. Admission is \$5, ample parking, handicap accessible. No food available at quilt show but Hanover Mall and local eateries are close by.

October 25 - 26 (Saturday/Sunday - 10 AM to 4 PM) -

Admission \$5.00 - COCHECO QUILT GUILD presents "United We Quilt" 22nd Annual Quilt Show Rochester Community Center, Off Wakefield Street (Route 125), Rochester, NH - 150+ quilts, vendors, raffle, demonstrations, penny sale, "moving exhibit" of wearable art. Special exhibit to benefit NH National Guard families

Contact: CQG Attn: Sharon LaClair PO Box 1153, Dover, NH 03821-1153 (207) 384-2374 shaguy@zwi.net

Handicapped accessible.

Oct. 25-26 (Saturday 10 - 5PM) (Sunday 12:00 - 5PM)
BURLINGTON QUILTERS' GUILD QUILT SHOW AND BOUTIQUE - National Heritage Museum, 33 Marrett Road, Lexington, MA. 20th Annual Quilt Show - Quilts made by members of the BQG on display. Boutique of handmade quilt-related items. FREE Admission and Parking. Handicapped accessible. Contact for the Burlington Quilters' Guild: Dee McCurry - dmccurry@comcast.net

2003-2004 QUILTERS' CONNECTION PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

September 24, 2003	Show & Tell
October 22, 2003	Lecture: Ruth McDowell , "New Work"
December 3, 2003	HOLIDAY PARTY/BOUTIQUE
January 10, 2004	January Free Workshop
January 28, 2004	Patricia "Pokey" Bolton, Publisher of Quilting Arts Lecture
February 25, 2004	Lecture: Amy Ropple , "Personal Archaeology: Creating Contemporary Artifacts"
March 24, 2004	Lecture: Diane Hire, "Oxymorons: Absurdly Logical Quilts"
March 27, 2004	Workshop: Diane Hire, "Come PLAY with me"
April 28, 2004	Lecture: Susan Shie, "Susan Shie and James Acord: Outsider Art Quilts"
May 6-8, 2004	QUILT SHOW
May 22, 2004	Workshop: Freddy Moran, "Freddy's House"
May 26, 2004	Lecture: Freddy Moran, "Freddy's Trunk Show"

All meetings are held at the church in Arlington. If schools in Arlington are canceled due to weather, our meeting will be canceled. Meetings begin at 7:30pm and workshops run from 9am to 4pm.

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