

Quilters' Connection - Watertown Super Stars

Thank you everyone who made it a busy fall and early winter for Quilters' Connection in Watertown. Over 30 members pulled together to bring to fruition the programs created by our grant from the Watertown Community Foundation. The foundation's goal in making these yearly grants is to encourage disparate community groups in Watertown to work together - and we certainly did!

For the month of November the Watertown Free Library opened their second floor display space and the first floor display cases for QC's use. Twelve members showed their work for the month and many pieces sold (a hoped for and welcome side benefit!). The exhibit looked fabulous and received many positive comments from the community.

We worried whether people would gather in the middle of a pandemic for our evening lecture in November at the library. We stopped worrying as the hall filled with people masked and socially distanced to be inspired by RoseMary Koch, Susan Polansky and Julie Fei-Fan Balzer and their display of dozens of their gorgeous quilts.

Classes at HATCH (the library's makerspace) are on going. We held four before Christmas - all well attended. The first class was held on October 4th. This group, making LOVE blocks, were so enthusiastic that we had an additional impromptu class the next week so they could finish their pieces. They then were happy to be included in the quilt exhibit. You can see some of their work in the bottom right corner of the display case picture. The Town of Watertown has cancelled gatherings at HATCH for January. QC's last two classes are now rescheduled for February 21 and 28. Cross your fingers.

And sending good wishes to Athila Jarrah who managed to fall and break her wrist at the beginning of one of the HATCH classes and proceeded to continue assisting the teacher for the rest of the class. Super woman! She will sport a cast for a few weeks more.

Again, thank you everyone who helped plan, coordinate, hang, stitch, lecture, teach, and assist the teachers. You did a fabulous job!



