

# Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild

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#### Meeting Dates 2022-2023

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 3825 Hillsdale Street Regina SK

First Tuesday of the month at 7 pm:

September 6,2022

October 4, 2022

November 1, 2022

December 6, 2022

\*January 3, 2023

\*February 7, 2023

\*March 7, 2023

April 4, 2023

May 2, 2023

June 6, 2023

\* ZOOM MEETINGS

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# President's Message



As we start 2023 we have some fun and exciting challenges ahead of us, which mostly involve quilt shows. After inquiring with Government House, we are being granted the ability to display some of our works, but not until 2024. The display will last for three months, and at this point we have our choice of which quarter of the year to choose.

I've asked Bonnie Racz to head up a small committee for the Government House display. Bonnie served many years as a volunteer at our beautiful national Historic Site and Provincial Heritage Property we call Government House. She knows the staff and the facility better than anyone. But we will need just a few more people to help. I'm asking anyone who would be interested to talk to Bonnie or myself. I don't think it needs to be a big committee, but at this point, we really don't know what will be involved in this, how many quilts we can display. That makes it difficult to assess the level of commitment needed. But if you are interested, please let us know! Being able to have a display of our work in this location is a wonderful way to showcase our guild and the beautiful quilts our members create. Because every year thousands of visitors explore the history, heritage and grounds of Government House. We would like to set up the initial meeting with the staff there in January or early February.

The other challenge is our own quilt show in 2024. We need someone to volunteer to chair the show. It is a job for a person who is organized, is able to delegate duties, and can pivot if a "situation" arises. It will be rewarding and fun at times. But there may be times you will need to display patience and diplomacy. And while you will be the leader, you will also have a small army of people to rely on to get the job done. I can think of many people within the guild who possess all of these attributes and leadership skills. We really need someone to step up and take this on. I feel like I say this every year about board positions, but I'll say it again now. If we don't have a chairperson, we can't have a quilt show. Please give it some consideration and talk to Tannis, Marlene or myself if you have any questions.

There will be more about elections and board positions in the months to come, but I'll end this by wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

Sharon G

# **Agenda**

Jan 03, 2023 agenda

Welcome Sharon Program intro Linda

Program Jennifer Houlden (presentation will take 45 - 60 mins)

break 10 mins

President's report Sharon Upcoming Workshop Aline

Quilting 101 Colleen M.

Upcoming Program
Mystery quilt
Tannis
Zoom Sew Days
Lynn
Membership report
Cheryl
Door prize draw
Show and Share
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Linda
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Next meeting is Feb 07, 2023 on Zoom

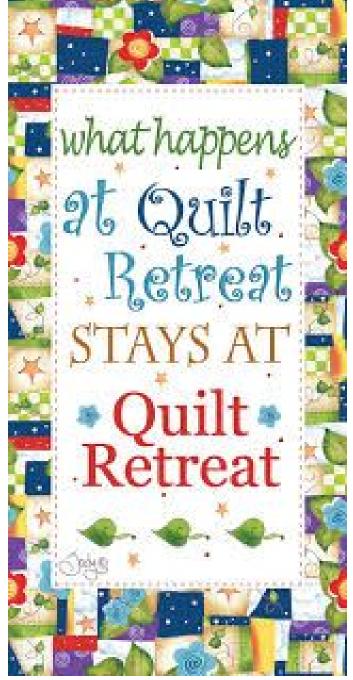
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### **Retreat Information**



#### Quilters' Retreat Mar 2 – 5, 2023

We are going to do retreat registration as fair as possible with the intent to give every guild member who wants to attend an opportunity to register for the retreat. We are setting the amount of people for the Winter Retreat to 20 participants so that each quilter has a single room and sewing station with required spacing. However, the number of participants may increase depending on the provincial health situation (re:Covid) in the new year.

At 20 people this event will pay for itself so the fees may be slightly higher than prepandemic. We do need a minimum of 20 participants for the event to proceed. Estimated cost per person based on 20 participants is \$300.00 per person. This is only an estimate.

We are now open to friends/family/outside guild quilters.

Send your name/phone number in an email to saskgirl1971@gmail.com

In order to provide as safe an environment as possible Saskatchewan Health guidelines willbe followed at the retreat venue whatever they may be at that time.



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# **Program Information**



portraits.

Jennifer Houlden

#### **Every Quilt has a Story to Tell**

Follow along on my quilting journey – from the beginning patchwork pieces that developed my love for fabric and encouraged me to experiment and play with colour, design and techniques over the years creating art quiltsand more – to where I am now.

Not every piece turns out as planned but that's okay as art isn't always perfect nor does it follow the direction first visualized while other pieces just fall easily into place hence every quilt has a story to tell. This trunk show focuses on the stories of my quilts, the development of my designs, the ups and downs along the way and how my environment and the world around me has inspired my passion for quilts and textile art.

Join Jen as our January Zoom presenter to see where her journey started and where it is going.

John MacPhail - Art East Quilting Co. will be our February 7, Zoom presenter.

John grew up in South-Western Ontario and has been a crafter and maker for as long as he can remember. The maker influence was strong in his family and he would be encouraged to create at every opportunity. While so many mediums inspired his creativity, it was his love of theatre and costume that eventually led to his peaked interest in sewing and textiles. John received his BA with Honours from Dalhousie University. It was here that he discovered his love for historical costuming, modern pattern drafting and unconventional sewing techniques. John discovered his passion for everything quilts almost by accident, while searching for a sewing project to occupy his down time. This quickly became his career focus, and started Art East Quilting Co. under which he publishes modern quilt patterns and offers custom quilts, fabric goods and art pieces. He loves using quilting in various art forms, and has become known for his textile animal portraits. John

enjoys spreading his love of quilting worldwide through his various virtual

workshops which range from traditional quilting techniques, modern unconventional thread application and quirky raw-edge appliqué pet



# **Workshop Information**

#### Aurifil Thread Play Workshop January 21, 2023 9:00 - 1:00 pm

Instructor: Gail Heller

Zoom Link to be sent by email one week prior to workshop date

Workshop Fee: \$ 60.00 members/ \$70.00 non-members

Registration deadline: Tuesday, January 4th

#### Bio

Gail Heller is the owner of Erie Quilt Art Inc., Canadian distributor for Aurifil threads and other quality quilting products, selling to quilt shops and quilt businesses across Canada. Gail is a certified Aurifilosopher.

Gail has been fascinated by quilts since she was a little girl, watching her Babci (Polish grandma) making quilts. Gail began quilting herself in 1991 from time to time, being mostly an observer at quilt guild meetings. Once she had more time, Gail began to devote more time to quilting, beginning in about 2005. Gail enjoys a combination of traditional, modern and art quilting techniques. Gail resides in Calgary, Alberta which is where her business is located.

#### Part I - Aurifilosophy Lecture/trunk show – 1 hour

Gail will give a live power point lecture and will provide you with great insights into Aurifil's history, the production process for Aurifil threads and will help you to understand what makes Aurifil what is arguably the best thread for your quilting and embroidery projects. Did you know that the major

European fashion houses use Aurifil thread when sewing their couture gowns and bags? Gail will share this bit of information and much more during the lecture. Gail will also discuss the various thread weights and how you should use them for various projects: piecing, machine and hand embroidery, hand stitching/big stitching and needlepoint will all be discussed. Throughout the lecture, Gail will share many photos of projects and will also share a fun video from a couture fashion house.

Part II - Aurifilosophy Workshop – 3 hours

In this workshop, Gail will lead you in creating a simple 10" x 14" wall hanging or placemat using a simple curved piecing method on a neutral background. You will learn all about using threads to accent and meet the needs of your quilts, by using all weights of Aurifil thread to piece and embellish your item(80 wt, 50 wt, 40 wt, 28 wt, 12 wt). Gail will also show you how you can use Aurifil's Lana wool/nylon blend and six strand cotton Aurifloss.

Thread kits with five small spools of each weight of thread will be available for the class – to be purchased through the Peachtree Quilt Shop. (Kits will be in coordinating colours and available ONE WEEK prior to the workshop).

# **Workshop Information Con't**

#### Supply List

3 or 4 light neutral fabrics for the wall hanging;

Batting for a 10" x 14 " project;

Backing for a 10" x 14" project;

Small spools of Aurifil thread – 80 wt, 50 wt, 40 wt, 28 wt, 12 wt. Kits will be available for purchase from Peachtree Quilt Shop ONE WEEK prior to the workshop. Approximate cost: \$36.00.

Aurifloss in cotton and 12 wt lana wool will be demonstrated; can be purchased if you choose

by special request, but are optional.

Sewing machine and basic sewing supplies.

**Workshop Payment** To register, pay the workshop fee by the workshop deadline date and pay by cash or send an etransfer to <a href="mailto:ppmgtreasurer@gmail.com">ppmgtreasurer@gmail.com</a> or pay by cheque payable to The Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild and mail to Box 33043, Cathedral P.O. Regina, SK S4T 7X2 Notification of attendance will be confirmed via email two weeks prior to the workshop.

#### Cancellation

If unable to attend, please notify a member of the Workshop Committee. You are responsible to find a replacement that can pay the Workshop fee and take your place. The Guild does not refund the registration fee when you are unable to attend nor provide a credit for a future workshop. If there is a waiting list for the workshop, the Workshop Committee will share the names on the waiting list for you to contact. If the Guild cancels, the Workshop registration will be reimbursed. The Guild abides by provincial health regulations as well as the regulations set by the facility we are renting. As such we may need to cancel face to face workshops. Masks are recommended, please do consider wearing a mask to protect yourself and others. You will find Workshop Lead contact information on the page 2 of this newsletter.

# **Workshop Information Con't**

# Building a Better Relationship with your Sewing Machine Workshop

February 25, 2023 9:00 – 4:00 pm

Instructor: Bernie Tobisch

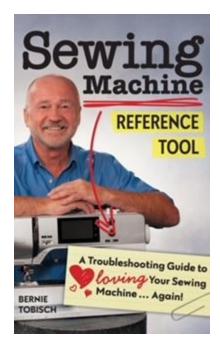
Location: SaskAbilities - 825 McDonald Street

Workshop Fee: \$100.00 members/\$110.00 non-members

Registration deadline: Friday, February 10th



Bernie has been a sewing machine technician for 46 years. In that time, he has serviced 50,000 plus machines of all brands, including industrial machines. Having learned early on that sewists have a close relationship with their machines, he often sees himself as a relationship counsellor, rather than a tech. He feels that understanding what your machine is trying to communicate, when it balks at a task and then addressing the real issue, is the pathway to achieving a much more rewarding partnership.



#### Workshop Description:

Are you having relationship problems with your sewing machine? Is there tension in the air? Is the honeymoon over? Maybe you and your machine only need to learn how to communicate more clearly.

Let Bernie be your counsellor and help you discover how to understand what your sewing machine is trying to tell you. Learn how to get it to do what you would like it to do. End the tension filled battles, once and for all! Reconnect and grow to love your machine all over again. Together we will address tension, feeding of fabric, needle, and thread choices and do some fancy footwork!

This class is based on Bernie's book, You and Your Sewing Machine and a copy in class would make a great resource.

Let's get this relationship back on track!!

Supply List

Sewing machine in good working order

Power cord and foot control

Accessory kit

Oil

Scissors

Thread - Aurifil (50wt) beige (2311) and Aurifil black or dark brown

Monopoly thread

1 sheet of #400 wet and dry sandpaper

Sense of humour



# **Canadian Quilter's Association**

December 26, 2022

Hello Quilters,

This is our last newsletter of 2022 and with every ending of a year we look forward to a new one. Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2023!

Coming up in the new year...

It's almost time for our 2023 Quilt Along! Here's a sneak peek.

2023 Webinars have been posted and we're very excited about our winter line-up beginning with Sandy Sandvik "Zero Waste: The Art of Upcycled Quilting."

CQA/ACC is looking for photos of your quilts/quilted objects made from repurposed materials. Deadline for photo submission is March 18th (Global Recycling Day). All quilts will be displayed in our online gallery. Learn more about the Sustainability Challenge.

Members have been enjoying solving the Mystery Quilt 2023. There is still time to take part.

News about Quilt Canada 2023...

Make sure to read about how you can enter your work in the National Juried Show. Book your hotel soon. Limited rooms are available at a special price.

Teachers and Lecturers have been announced! Featured below is Carolyn Friedlander.

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With the lowest prices around, don't hesitate to give us a call to book your spot! You can call Colleen at 306-631-5303.

Please don't hesitate to call us for any of your longarm needs.



# **Quilt Guild Challenge**

Our challenge this year will be making a monochromatic lap size quilt. For the challenge keep the size: width between 36"-40" and then the length between 40"-50".



#### Rules:

The quilt is to be a monochromatic colour scheme which means the colour is in one family of colour. Monochromatic is all about one colour and using tints, shades and tones of that colour to make it stand out. Using different values is a key to making an effective monochromatic quilt.

You can use any pattern of your choosing or create your own.

What are tints, shades and tones? Tints are colours with white added, shades are colours with grey added, and tones are colours with black added. By using a variety of light, medium and dark values of the same colour will provide contrast and add to the piece you create.

These quilts can be donated to Connecting Threads or made for yourself.

There will also be prizes! Quilts will be shown at the April meeting.



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RDMQG is completing our December program challenge of slicing a 36-inch block and Remixing and assembling the slices with negative space filler. This has challenged the extreme for comfort zone but has produced some really creative pieces. Looking forward to January Show and Share.

The next Modern Sew Day/Meeting is Sunday, January 8 from 9:00am – 5:00pm at Sask Abilities.

RDMQG has spirit and inspiration to share.

Contact us at rdmqg1@gmail.com

Let your quilting happen! Ruth B





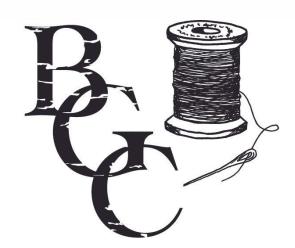


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This year our Guild donated 667 guilts to the RGH and Wascana Rehab Centre's Inpatient and Outpatient Pediatric Units, NICU, CaridoScience Unit for adults with advanced cancer. Allen Blair Cancer Clinic . 4 **Directions Health Centre** and Kids First. We also donated 438 placemats to SHA Meals on Wheels Program and 4 Directions Health Centre and 195 pillowcases to 4 women's shelters in Regina

As the number of clients have drastically decreased on the Meals on Wheels program, we will no longer be donating placemats to SHA. We have donated these for 16 consecutive years so thank-you to everyone that has added joy to clients at Christmas.



# Scrappy Mystery Quit 2022 -2023

January 2023 Mystery Quilt Block by Tannis Fahlman

Size: 52 x 56 without borders and up to 66 x 70 with borders



Jan Make 1 -  $18 \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \frac{1}{2}$ 

#### **Fabric**

Background	2 ½ Sq- 4	3 ½ x 6 ½ - 2
Black	2 ½ Sq - 11	3 ½ Sq - 4
Scrappy	2 ½ Sq - 12	3 ½ Sq - 4

#### Directions:

Sew row 1 and 5 using 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  squares and a 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  by 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  background Sew row 2 to 5 with 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares following the layout above Sew the rows together making a 18  $\frac{1}{2}$  by 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch block. Make 1

## **Guild Officers and Directors**

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