

BHOG**BRANT QUILTERS VOICE**

February 8, 2024

<http://www.BrantHeritageQuiltersGuild.com/>**Next General meeting February 8, 2024
on ZOOM**

- ⇒ Zoom meeting starts at 7 PM. Zoom room opens at 6:45 PM
There will be 15 minutes when you can chat with each other.
ZOOM link will be emailed to all members, a few days before.
- ⇒ SEWcial will be organised by Colleen and Sharon,
NO organised dinner at the Pub.
- Remember** to get home in time to Zoom with us at 7 PM.
- ⇒ BOM returns at the March meeting, when we will meet in person at the church hall., and dinner at the Pub resumes.

Happy Valentines Day!

Our guild meeting on February 8 will be held on zoom. Please join us to welcome Patricia Belyea of Okan Arts in Seattle, Washington. Patricia is a self-taught quilt artist who readily admits that she 'eats, sleeps, and breathes quilting'. Her work is unique and clearly reflects her love of using Japanese cotton fabrics with her *Complex Curves techniques*.

Patricia will be of great interest to our modern and 'improv' quilters or those who enjoy using hand-dyed and beautiful Japanese fabrics. On one of her many trips to Japan, Patricia discovered vintage yukata cottons. These hand-dyed fabrics with graphic patterns and rich colours are ideal for making her striking quilts.

Patricia's presentation, *Spirit Quilts, When a Quilt is More than a Quilt* will touch your heart

and open your eyes to a new way of making memory quilts. Her memory quilts are works of art which combine pieces of clothing that hold meaning to the recipient with yukata cotton and Japanese fabrics.

Patricia co-owns Okan Arts with her daughter Victoria. Okan Arts is a cottage business that **imports vintage Japanese textiles**.

You may find the shop at <https://okanarts.com> Patricia is the author of *East Meets West Quilts*. Her book explains how to combine the yukata cottons with commercial solids to make a series of improv quilts. This book would be of great interest to our modern quilters.

Joan, on behalf of the Program Committee

**Calendar**

- ◆ SEWcial in February headed by Colleen. Check this newsletter for info regarding SEWcial and Workshops.
- ◆ Demo returns in March. Remember to complete your December BOM kit and return it in March.
- ◆ Keep collecting those pop and beer tabs.

Happy FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Deb Bolognone
Alice Farrenden
Sharon Oldfield
Ann Verth

Cathy Eagles
Betty Kerman
Betty Ramsey

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR THE
NEXT ISSUE IS FEBRUARY 20.****DEMO and BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

with Cathy Eagles & Sue Baldauf

December Block of the Month will be due in March (since we are not meeting in-person in January and February – we will be on Zoom).

**The "Easy" Hunter's Star Block was December's BOM.****12 MONTH SAMPLER - BHQG BOM 2024-2025**

Your BHQG BOM (Block of the Month) committee is pleased to offer this monthly block project scheduled for March to June 2024 and continued through September 2024 to June 2025.

As one of the 32 members who signed up and paid in December 2023, you will receive your first monthly kit in March. At the BOM table, where you will see the March block displayed, you will pick up your kit with instructions and batik fabric to cut and assemble this first block.

In April, there will be the opportunity to show off your finished March block before taking it back home with a new monthly kit for April.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact either of your BOM organizers:

Sue Baldauf at suebaldauf@hotmail.com or
Cathy Eagles at eaglescathy@hotmail.com

Your BHQG BOM committee
Cathy Eagles and Sue Baldauf

Program Schedule

- February - Zoom** – Trunk show - Patricia Belyea
Spirit Quilts: When a Quilt Is More Than a Quilt
- March 14 - Round Robin** – Skill building
- April 11 - Trunk Show** – Rhonda Bennitt –
My Quilting Journey
- May 9 - Trunk Show** – Spotighting
three of our Members
- June 13 - End of year celebration -**
- TGIF
- Member Recognition
- New Executive

OUTREACH

With Stephanie

To begin 2024, Outreach donated 3 quilts and 6 pillowcases to Sheridan Lodge Retirement Home, 6 lap quilts to Brierwood Gardens, 7 receiving blankets and 13 burp towels to Hope Pregnancy and Resource Centre.

Thanks to the long arm quilting of Joanne, Sandra and Steven, we have several quilt tops ready for committee members to bind.

We currently have 16 completed quilts in our inventory as well as 13 burp towels.

If you have an extra metre or 2 of flannel, Hope Pregnancy and Family Support Centre would appreciate receiving blankets measuring approximately 40"x40". If you don't wish to make the blanket, just pass the fabric on to Outreach and we will get them made. Your smaller pieces of flannel can be made into burp towels which are also gladly accepted.

If you hear of anyone in need of a quilt or quilts, please contact me.

Many thanks to all of you who participate in the Outreach program. Thank-you!

Your Outreach Committee
Stephanie



OUR MARCH GUILD MEETING

March 14 - **Round Robin** – Skill building

Fingers crossed and weather permitting, we will be meeting in the church for our March meeting.

There will be new things to learn and lots of laughter and fun at our *round robin*. It will be the perfect opportunity to catch up with your quilting friends.

MAY PROGRAM TEASER

Come and be inspired by the FAN (Fibre Art Network) display of quilts which will be at our meeting! Come see 'Up Close'!



WINNERS!

\$20 Gift Certificates from
The Quilted Boutique.

January winners are: Tonie Wilt and Germaine Glaves.

Their gift certificates have been mailed to them.

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June 19-22, 2024
EDMONTON, ALBERTA

SAVE THE DATE



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Sorry to have a serious newsletter entry this month - I had some botched surgery in 2006 that has challenged me in the ensuing years. Unexpectedly, I was rushed into surgery two Saturdays ago. At this point, I don't have any news about recovery. I hope to see you all at the February Zoom meeting.

Stay healthy and be happy!

Sincerely,

Joanne
President

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SEWcials	Verna Radford / Sharon Culp
Special Project	Sue Baldauf / Roseline Dufour
Greeter	Joan Tressel
Program committee	Joan Tressel, Roseline Dufour, Janice Ferguson, Cathy Eagles, Judy Taylor, Verna Radford, Steven Clark, Aline Chan, Mary Connan
Quilt Expo 2026	Rhonda Bennitt

Ofelia Escareno's Show & Share on Zoom. She has already gifted this beautiful present.



'THINKING OF YOU' cards



If you know of a Guild member who is in need of a card for illness, sympathy or 'thinking of you', please let Stephanie know. steph.nemeth@outlook.com

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SEWCIAL

Join us for an in-person SEWcial on meeting day, February 8 from **10 AM** at St. George United Church.



SEWcial is a time to work on your own projects, get to know your fellow members and enjoy each other's company.

Everyone is welcome!

If you have any questions about SEWcial in February, feel free to contact:

Colleen rubyq231@gmail.com

Sharon s.culp@sympatico.ca

NOTE: meetings are on ZOOM in February but in-person SEWcial will still be taking place.

WORKSHOPS WITH COLLEEN

February 17th workshop is at the arena in St George. This workshop is full but we have started a waiting list. Let Colleen know if you wish to be added to the waiting list.

Instructor: Sue Clark, Cost \$35

'This Ain't Your Granddad's Bow Tie' Art Quilt. This is a beginner level project. Use your stash to examine the traditional Bow Tie quilt block in a modern version. We will be discussing colour options, positive VS negative images and how to turn a traditional block into an art quilt by adding new elements.

Saturday February 17th

9:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Gaukel Memorial Community Centre,
7 Gaukel Drive, St George.



Quilt Workshop

Finesse your Quilt Workshop

Date: Saturday March 16, 2024

Time: 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Cost: ??

Gaukel Memorial Community Centre
7 Gaukel Dr. St George

"If you keep on doing what you've always done, you will keep getting what you've always gotten."

Step outside the box. Apply something new to your skills. Let's explore the possibilities for binding your quilt and its alternatives.

Bias versus straight, plain versus "How did she do that? "

Design principles for choosing your borders - Do the Math!

This full day hands on workshop will explore lots of these possibilities

Reserve your spot now as limited space is available. Email me to register so I can send the supply list and prep work instructions. E-transfer bhqq.etransfer@gmail.com

Thanks! **Colleen**
rubyq231@gmail.com

Check this space next month for more information about the Dresden Neighbourhood workshop on May 4th.

**SPRING RETREAT 2024, Chapter 32**

When:

Friday, April 5th - Sunday, April 7th, 2024

Where:

Hidden Acres, 1921 Line 37, New Hamburg

We are full - however if you would like to go on the waiting list, please email Rhonda and she will add your name to the waiting list.

rhondabennitt@hotmail.com

No registration form or payment is required until you are given a place for the retreat.

An email will go out in mid-March to all participants with details for the retreat.



Regards,
Rhonda Bennitt
Retreat Coordinator

FIDGET/TOUCH QUILTS

BHQG makes fidget/touch quilts for young children, special needs youth and for the elderly, especially those with Alzheimer conditions. Thank you so much to all the helpers. Joy and Judy worked hard to assemble kits and deliver the quilts.

We hope you are finishing the kits you took home in December.

Please see Judy or Joy at the March meeting to pick up your fidget kits.

Your BHQG Fidget/
Touch Quilt subcom-
mittee

*Joy Archer,
Judy Taylor &
Sue Baldauf*



TRAVEL:

<https://ednastravel.com/tours/>

MISSOURI STAR: Sept. 24.

PADUCAH in April

ITALY in May.

Edna is a quilter and she organises these tours with a Brantford travel agency. She also has a trip to Iceland in 2024.



**INTERNATIONAL
QUILTING DAY**

ALL DAY VIRTUAL CELEBRATION

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

KAFFE FASSETT LAURA COIA DANA E JONES

SATURDAY 16 MARCH 2024
ADMISSION: \$25

ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS - VENDORS
PRIZE DRAWS - VIRTUAL QUILT SHOW

FOR MORE DETAILS & TO REGISTER:
WWW.IQDONLINE.COM



Thank Goodness It's Finished!

By our December guild meeting, 38 quilters had signed up for our *Thank Goodness It's Finished* challenge.

In January, Jenny Kae's presentation '*Leave Quilts, Not Fabric*' encouraged us to tackle and conquer our UFOs. Her presentation had more than a few quilters wishing they had signed up for the *TGIF* challenge. If you were one of those wishful quilters, we have good news for you. It's not too late to sign up! Look for the *TGIF* sign up sheet at our meeting in March. *TGIF* is win/win all around. You'll finish a project and you might win even win a prize!

Remember that your program committee members are always ready to give you encouragement and cheer you on. If you need help with your pattern or need to learn a new technique the program committee members have many years of experience (LOL).

One of us will be able to help you out! Just call.

OUTREACH

photos by Stephanie



UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

Now until end of June: Carpenter of Cloth, Solo Quilt Show by Deb Beirnes. Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, 110 Rockway Rd, Kitchener **during school hours only**.

Till April 30 Exhibition The Thread of the Story—When abstracts Inspire Art. Bruce County Museum

March 16 International Quilting Day. Virtual Celebration. www.iqdonline.com

April 18-20 Labour of Love Quilt Show Exeter United Church, Exeter

April 19-20 Quilted Expressions by Oakville Quilters Guild. Operating Engineers Banquet Hall, 2225 Speers Rd, Oakville

April 27 Quilts on the Grand by Paris Quilting Bees, Paris Presbyterian Church 164 Grand River St N, Paris ON cheran1165@gmail.com

May 3, 4 Niagara Modern Quilt Guild Quilt Expo, Meridian Community Centre Fonthill, ON. <https://www.nmqexpo.com/>

May 31, June 1 Stitches In Our Time, by Halton Quilters Guild, Sheridan Conference Centre, Oakville.

May 31, June 1 Hamilton Quilters Guild's Quilts in Bloom, Ancaster fairgrounds.

May 31-June 1 It's A Charming Quilt World, Grey County Charmers Quilt Club & Threads that Bind

June 7, 8 Quilts on the Grand by Grand Quilters Guild. Fergus Sportsplex, <https://grandquiltguild.ca/quilt-show-2024/>

June 14-15 Ottawa Quilt Show by Common Thread Quilt Guild, Earl Armstrong Arena, Ottawa.



Oakville Quilters Guild

We invite you to

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Date: Friday April 19, 2024 to Saturday April 20, 2024

Location: Operating Engineers Banquet Hall
2245 Speers Rd, Oakville

Admission: \$10

- Over 150 quilts
- Raffle quilt
- Vendors
- Members' Boutique
- Demonstrations

2024 Harvest of Quilts



Friday, May 3, 2024 10 AM - Saturday 4, 4 PM

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Halton Quilters Guild Spring Quilt Show

Stitches In Our Time

FRIDAY, MAY 31ST, 2024
9:00AM TO 5:00PM
SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2024
9:00AM TO 5:00PM

Sheridan Conference Centre
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\$10 Admission

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The Oakville Quilters' Guild presents

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Quilt Show

April 19 & 20, 2024
10am - 4pm

\$10 admission
Cash and Debit Accepted

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Garden of Quilts

Friday May 31, 2024 10am-6pm
Saturday June 1, 2024 10am-5pm

No. 6 RCAF Museum, 536 Port Maitland Rd., Dunnville

Admission - \$10.00 Children under 10 free

*Food Trucks *Vendors *Boutique *Silent Auction
*Special Guest - Vanessa Genier of Quilts for Survivors

Contact Debra Rolfe at 289-214-4166 for more information or raffle tickets.



Note: The museum will be open for tours during the quilt show

Hamilton Quilters' Guild presents:



QUILT SHOW DATES

Fri May 31st, 2024
10am to 6pm

Sat June 1st, 2024
10 am to 4pm

Ancaster Fairgrounds
630 Trinity Road South
Jerseyville, ON L0R1R0

Buses Welcome
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Admission \$10
(Cash Only)

Quilt Display
Viewer's Choice
Quilt Challenge
Member's Boutique
Merchant Mall
Tea Room
Demonstrations



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The Thread of the Story:
When Artefacts Inspire Art

Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre - A Fibre Art Exhibition

Don't forget this exhibition which runs until April 30th

A selected number of artefacts have been chosen by the staff and they are being reimaged through fibre art....discover the origin of the different pieces and how they are reimaged.

- Former Guild members, Bev White and Theresa Stafford are two of the participants.