



BRANT QUILTERS VOICE

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Special Edition - May 2021

In this edition you will see:

Highlights of Sharon Fisher's Trunk Show - April 8 - "My Quilting Adventure Thus Far"

May 13 - Trunk Show Kathy Wylie "Beauty is All Around"

Preview of BHQG June 10 Trunk Show - Jackie White (rescheduled from March 11)

SEWcially Distanced Calendar

- ◆ SEWcial—None this month
- ◆ Workshops - see newsletter for ZOOM workshops
- ◆ No 'in person' Cuddle Quilt gatherings
- ◆ No 'live' Guild Meetings or Executive meetings
- ◆ Spring Retreat cancelled for 2021
- ◆ President's HOUSE Challenge....see past newsletters for instructions
- ◆ Keep saving your pop tabs for Bonnie Mac
- ◆ Next High SEWciety Thursday, May 27 at 7 PM

May Meeting



Please join us on May 13th to welcome **Kathy Wylie** at our virtual guild meeting. 'Beauty is all

Around' promises to be an inspirational trunk show. Kathy's quilts will focus on designs that are circular or radiating in nature. This is a trunk show not to be missed.

Kathy is a multiple international award winning quilter and specialises in appliqué quilt design, domestic machine quilting and English Paper Piecing techniques. She lectures and teaches all over Canada at quilt guilds, shops and quilt shows.

Kathy is a frequent faculty member at Quilt Canada and she is a Certified Quilt Judge with the Canadian Quilters' Association.

To see some of Kathie's quilts, visit Kathy on the web at www.kathykwylie.com



HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS

Jo Ann Brown

Aline Chan

Nancy Detweiler

Janice Ferguson

Eileen Fuller

Mary Miklos

Pat Mitchell

Lynn Nicholson

Linda Raney

Ruth Simpson

Judy Taylor

Elizabeth Verticchio



What is High SEWciety?

Monthly ZOOM meetings on the 4th Thursday of the month, 1 PM and 7 PM alternating months.

Zoom link will be sent the day before.

Next meeting: May 27 at 7 PM

Preview of BHQG June Meeting

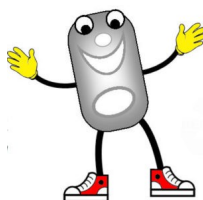
We have rescheduled Jackie White's virtual Trunk Show to our guild meeting on June 10th.

Jackie's quilts will be of special interest to our modern quilters.



Message from the Queen of Pop Tabs!

"With all of this isolation we are doing, it is too bad we don't collect corks!!!! But my camping club is still collecting pop tabs. The money raised is still going to the Ronald McDonald House. So don't forget to keep those little tabs for me and hopefully, down the road, we will be together again so I can collect them." Bonnie also collects them from beer cans, pet food, etc. Thank you! **Bonnie MacDonald**



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR JUNE ISSUE

NEXT DEADLINE: MAY 20

We solicit articles & request that they be kept to a 1/4 page / 200 word maximum.



Who are the members of the BHQG Program Committee?

Joan Tressel - chairperson

Roseline Dufour — co-chair

Janice Ferguson - secretary

Judy Taylor

Leela Chan

Keith Baldrey

Linda Baldrey

Catherine Eagles

BHQG EXECUTIVE MEETING

Virtual Meetings as arranged, on Zoom.

CUDDLE QUILT / OUTREACH

No Cuddle Quilt Meetings DURING Covid-19

Program Schedule 2021 via ZOOM

Month	Program Title	Information
May 13	<p>Trunk Show Kathy K. Wylie <i>Beauty is all around</i></p>	<p>Kathy Wylie is from Whitby, Ontario. She is an international award winning quilter and known for her appliqué she is an Appliquick distributor. She uses a broad spectrum of quilting techniques. Her style is contemporary / traditional.</p>
June 10	<p>Trunk Show Jackie White <i>Let's Celebrate</i> Followed by a virtual Strawberry Social!</p>	<p>Jackie White is a designer, quilter, pattern creator and lover of all things handmade. Her passion lies in fabric and design.</p> <p>Living on an island in northern Ontario Canada with her family, she spends much of her time working with fabric. Her quilts have been published in books and magazines and her quilts have been juried into shows across North America.</p> <p>She loves to create 'one of a kind' patterns for quilters of all ages. Teaching others and doing trunk shows is an option she often pursues as she loves meeting other quilters. Please contact her for pricing and availability at jacwhite10@gmail.com.</p>



OCTOBER 28 & 29TH, 2022

The success of our **Quilt Expo** depends on you. If you are willing to help out on our many committees please send an email to Roseline D. (roselineduf@hotmail.com) or Sue B. (suebaldauf@hotmail.com). Tell us where your strengths are and what you are willing to do. We are counting on you.

**One of Joan Tressel's
Mini Micro Mini quilts...**





President's Corner

Hi everyone!

What a rollercoaster of weather we had in April, from hot to cold, sunshine to rain and even snow! If it were a quilt, it would definitely be a crazy quilt. Hopefully that has passed and we are looking into more of Grandmother's Flower Garden weather!

Did anyone get inspired to do a miniature quilt or a mini - micro-mini after Joan's presentation during the April High SEWciety meeting? We are very lucky to have such a talented bunch, willing to share and teach us.

I hope you have been doing well.

Becky McAlister

President

Our next **HIGH SEWCIEITY** meeting will be held on Thursday May 27th at **7:00 PM**.

In May, Joan Tressel will show us how to piece a strawberry block.



At 7:30 PM, we will have our **SIT, SEW AND CHAT** portion of the meeting until **9:00 PM**. Please come and socialize with members of our quilting community. Hope to see you there.

Afterwards, this block will be showcased at our June 10th BHQG meeting.

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Bus Trips, Fall	Roseline Dufour
Scholarship	Sue Baldauf
SEWCials	Sue Baldauf / Roseline Dufour
Demos	Cathy Eagles & Linda Baldrey
Special Project	Roseline Dufour
Greeter	Joan Tressel
Membership	Sharon Hamilton / Janet Perrodou

Strut your Stuff

Have you been working on a project this month? Send Aline a photo of your flimsy or your quilted project before the 20th of each month so that the photo can be included in the next month newsletter. I know that I get inspired when I see other people's work. We are counting on you!

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BHQG SEWcial

Due to the provincial lockdown restrictions, there will be no SEWcial in April.

Stay safe and healthy and continue to sew at home.

Sue Baldauf and Roseline Dufour

**MUG RUG KIT SAMPLES...**

Don't forget to pick up your mug rug kits from Rica.

**'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. stephanieandbob@hotmail.ca

SPRING RETREAT 2022**Chapter 30 - "Pearls of Wisdom"**

Any questions— please feel free to send an email to

jackie.kaye123@gmail.com

Respectfully,

Jackie Kaye & Committee

**BHQG BOM 2020- 2021****LEAVES IN MOTION**

The Autumn Beauties have finished their flimsies of this beautiful quilt. The final set of instructions has been sent out with tips on batting, quilting and binding. Soon we shall see many finished quilts in Show and Tell.



If you had not signed up and wish to make the quilt, we would be happy to share the patterns.

Contact Sue Baldauf at suebaldauf@hotmail.com

Your BHQG BOM committee

Kelly Kerrigan, Brenda Konyu, Jackie Kaye, Sue Baldauf

**SAVE THE DATES: JUNE 16-19, 2021**

CQA/ACC is excited to present a virtual alternative to our Quilt Canada conference in 2021. What better way to celebrate 40 years than an online party? Registration will occur in the spring of 2021.

MUG RUG KITS

There will be kits made up to make mug rugs, just like the ones in the pictures. For anyone interested in making one, two, or more, you can pick up a kit at Rica's home.



FIDGET QUILTS

submitted by Stephanie Nemeth, OUTREACH

From your Outreach Committee - Touch and Fidget Blankets/Quilts -

We continue to require these very useful items. We recently received requests from:

Willett Hospital in Paris,

Autism Services (Lansdowne Children's Centre)

Alzheimer Society.

Here are a few guidelines if you wish to construct some of these.

Touch Blankets are Sensory - colourful, feature different textures – fake fur, satin, corduroy, terry towel, smooth cotton, plush, prickly (netting), bumpy, slippery, hairy, soft, hard. They may contain pictured fabrics and have a theme, but no embellishments. These are particularly welcomed by *Autism Services*.

Fidget Blankets are Purposeful – often themed, offer a variety of fabric textures and colours, and include moveable items - zippers, Velcro, buttons, pockets, buckles, clips, snaps, tying, marbles encased in a tube of fabric etc.

Preferred size is 24 "square or smaller. Themed fabrics, prints e.g. animals, farm, sewing, cars, wildlife etc. Don't make it too confusing with too many colours or items.

Be careful with beads, buttons etc. and have all items very securely attached as small items get manipulated, pulled, torn away, put in the mouth and pose a choking hazard. No thin ribbons. Some recommend that fidget items be no smaller than the palm of a woman's hand.

Use flannel or fleece on the back of the blanket for comfort and so that it does not slide.

An apron style blanket is good, but must have break-away ties or velcro due to possible choking hazard.

Blanket must be washable and if going to a nursing home, it will be washed in very hot water. Short ties can be added to the side of the blanket so that it can be rolled and tied for washing.

Consider weighted lap blankets as great results have been seen with these.

For more information Google "**Alzheimer Touch Quilt Program**".

A sincere thank-you for your continuing participation in our Outreach program.

Contact Rica or Stephanie for more information, fabrics and kits. If you would like to make an Outreach quilt, we



STRUT YOUR STUFF

With Joy Archer

Here is what was under Joy's needle 28 years ago. She made these baby quilts when her nieces and nephew were younger.

They live in British Columbia.

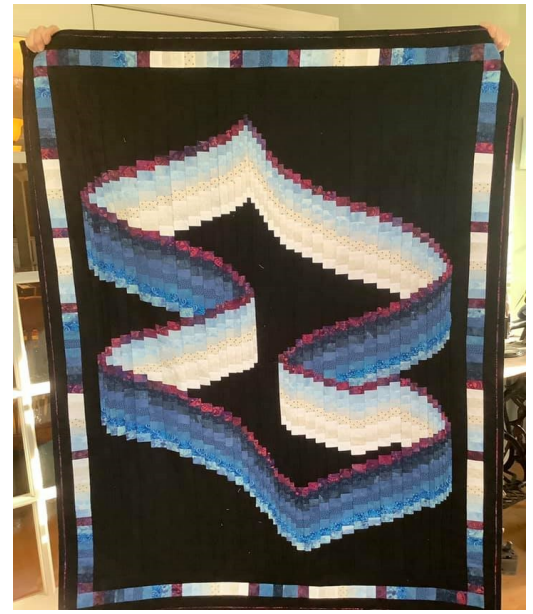
Quilts are about making memories...



STRUT YOUR STUFF

with Sue Baldauf

Sue's Ribbon Bargello at the Guild workshop



OUTREACH

with Rica



Joan Tressel's
Mini Micro Minis

If you missed High SEWciety,
you should watch the YouTube
video.

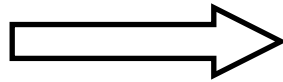


STRUT MY STUFF**Jackie Kaye**

Jackie changed the border and added a section on top to accommodate pillows as she wanted it on her spare bed. It is not quilted yet as she has a few projects on the go.



Joanne Beard



Here is Joanne Beard's Leaves in Motion quilt. It has already been delivered to a friend in Oshawa. Joanne extended it to make it rectangular in size.

Bonnie Wilson's Covid project.



Becky's Horse

Joan challenged us to make something colourful and bright for the April Guild meeting. Becky's cousin's horse was having its first birthday so she found a paper piecing pattern and made it into a card. After some encouragement from the ladies in the break-out room after the meeting, Becky added the mane and tail which brought it to life.



Highlights of Sharon Fisher's trunk show – by Janice Ferguson

It was a pleasure to welcome Sharon Fisher to our virtual guild meeting on April 8th. Her trunk show 'My Quilting Journey Thus Far' was a special treat for our members. Sharon's quilts were spectacular and they were matched by her radiant smile and effervescent personality. Sharon's passion for quilting was apparent by the *twinkle in her eye* as she told her quilting stories.

As a novice quilter, Sharon's granny became her mentor. They spent many happy hours together working on Sharon's first quilt, which was a Log Cabin Fan. This quilt was eventually gifted to her grandmother on her 91st birthday. It held a special place of honour on her grandmother's bed for many years. It was proudly displayed during the day and carefully tucked away during the night.

Since the 90's Sharon's enthusiasm for quilting has been unwavering. She learned early on that needle turn applique was not her forte and discovered that applique with felted wool did not require turning edges under on appliqué pieces. Sharon works with a variety of materials and fabric to get texture in her quilts. She uses cotton, velvet, silk, and flannel and also incorporates a variety of embellishments. She uses buttons, lace, ribbon and rick-rack with different embroidery stitches and quilt techniques to create her whimsical pieces. Garden Dish, Evelyn's Album, and Primitive Gardens are examples.



Log Cabin Fan



Dresden Garden Dish



Evelyn's Album



Primitive Gardens

It is difficult to choose favourites from the many beautiful quilts, wall hangings, pillows and carpet bags that Sharon shared with us. Dresden Garden Dish Quilt was one of my favourites. I was also touched by her Memory Quilts and reminded again of the importance of creating labels for finished pieces. In more recent years Sharon has become an accomplished and creative long arm quilter. Her machine quilting is rich in texture and imaginative.



Sharon is about to retire from her career in law enforcement. We wish her the best on this next chapter in her life and look forward to seeing her quilting in the years to come. You may follow her at:

Instagram -Sharon Gardening Mum

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BHQG ZOOM WORKSHOPS

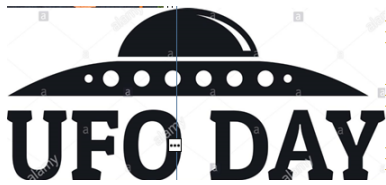
Hi Quilters!

- ⇒ On May 15, Aline will show us how to finish the quilt with borders and magic binding. Anyone can join.
- ⇒ Please note that the May workshop will also be a UFO day for everyone! Please let Kelly or Brenda know if you are attending so you can get the Zoom log-in details.

Sincerely,

Kelly: nanakerr57@gmail.com

Brenda: konyub@hotmail.com



Quilting Trends Survey Results 2020

by Abby Glassenberg Jun 19, 2020

Quilting Trends Survey. Some of the findings:

- Female (98.5%)
- Retired (64%)
- Full-time job (19%); Part-time job (9%)
- Intermediate abilities in making quilt tops and finishing quilt tops
- Quilting for more than 10 years
- Starts 8-10 quilts a year; most are lap or queen quilts (*no information was given as to how many of these started quilts were finished!*)
- Owns four machines
- Works on projects 6-10 hours/week
- Started quilting in their early 40s

Every three years, since 2009, the quilting industry has conducted a survey assessing the size of the market and new trends in consumer behavior. The survey was called Quilting in America and was funded by F+W media. Findings were presented at the premier Schoolhouse at Quilt Market.

If you'd like to read MORE details about that survey, you can find info here:

<https://craftindustryalliance.org/quilting-trends-survey-results-2020/>

OUTREACH CHARITY TOTALS 2021

Check here every month to see the total progress BHQG Outreach Committee is making during 2021 by quilting gifts for various charities in our community.

Quilts	Burp Towels	Pillowcases	Taggy Blankets	Angel Wraps	Placemats	Baby Bibs	Adult Bibs	Mug Rugs	Stockings	Fidget Quilts
28	6	6	12	20	41	0	17	26	0	23

If you would like more information on making items for OUTREACH, please speak to Rica Maguire or send her an email: 1maguire1@rogers.com

Thank-you to all who have made donations to the Outreach program, whether by quilts, flimsies, fabric, batting, etc. We appreciate any and all assistance our members give. Thank-you.



QUILTS OF VALOUR:
 Contact: Elizabeth Verticchio
elizabeth.verticchio@quiltsofvalour.ca

TOUCH / FIDGET QUILTS

Touch Quilts are often referred to as Fidget Quilts.

Contact our coordinator:
 Sue Baldauf & Committee





BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD Quilt Expo 2022---October 28th and 29th, 2022

Even though we are not in 'normal times', we have decided to proceed with planning our **BHQG Quilt Expo 2022**. I expect that planning a quilt expo would be somewhat normal at this time. We have looked at our Quilt Expo diaries and we are on schedule according to our timeline.

What needs to be done going forward:

- ✓ Chairs for all committees and list of volunteers to assist with committees at the planning stage
- ✓ Determine options and timeframe for proceeding with a 2022 Expo, modifying, postponing or whatever options government regulations determine in view of Covid restrictions.

The success of the **Quilt Expo 2022** relies on the support and the participation of all the members of our guild. Please consider signing up for a chair or volunteering on one of the following committees, by emailing Roseline roselineduf@hotmail.com, Sue B. suebaldauf@hotmail.com or indicating on our BHQG meeting on April 8th. If you would like more details on any committee, please feel free to reach out.

Advertising- promotion, design, flyers, etc.	White glove & greeters- greet attendees and monitor quilts to ensure everyone is wearing white gloves.
Opportunity Quilt draw- quilts have already been made, organize selling 'tickets' for draw during the Quilt Expo	Tombola Table- encourage members to donate small items, arrange staffing and do draws.
Pre-registration of quilts – receive information on quilts and help receive quilts, make labels for all entries	BHQG Display- working with BHQG Executive committee to showcase the work of the guild, Outreach work, membership, Quilt of Valour and the various BHQG activities
Hallway display – decorate entrance area and remove at end of Quilt Expo	Security – to be provided by the Best Western
Displaying of quilts- help set up posts, hang and remove quilts. Will need some strong willing people to join committee to help set up.	Treasurer- help establish the budget, manage funds and provide financial picture on conclusion of the Expo
Quiltique- organize items to be sold, display and sale	Secretary - record minutes for meetings and any other correspondence needed.
Vendors – book vendors, organize their set-up space, assist with their set-up and tear-down (if needed)	Featured Artist(s)- TBA Special Display- TBA

Dates to remember: BHQG QUILT EXPO 2022 OCTOBER 28 & 29, 2022

Mary Connan's Quilts



BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD

Membership Application
2021-2022

Membership fee \$35

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(Bank Etransfer will be arranged at a later date)

Is this information new? Yes / No

Renewal / New

Youth Membership: Youth's age at December of current year (signature of guardian required)
A youth is anyone 16 years of age and under.

I am currently a member and will be 80 years of age by September 1, 2021. YES
I still have to fill out this form and sent it in.

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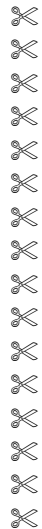
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