

BHOG**BRANT QUILTERS VOICE**January 9, 2025 <http://www.BrantHeritageQuiltersGuild.com/>

Next General Meeting: January 9, 2025 on ZOOM, 7 PM

- ⇒ **SEWcial** 10 AM - 3:30 PM. January 9 & Feb 13
- ⇒ January 9—workshop with Steven Clark is full
- ⇒ The Chinese Auction in December made over \$700 for charity. Thank you!

Calendar

- ◆ BOM on hiatus till we meet again in March
- ◆ Keep collecting those pop and beer tabs
- ◆ Spring Retreat registration has three seats left. \$240. Info in this newsletter.
- ◆ Bus Trip to Quilt Canada June 20. A few seats left.
- ◆ Next Executive meeting: January 7 at 7 PM
- ◆ **Quilt Show: September 25, 26/ 2026**

**Program News**

For January, our guild meeting will be on ZOOM. So cuddle up on the couch, treat yourself to a warm drink, turn on your device & enjoy our guest speaker.

This month, we're meeting with **Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilt Designs.**

Beth believes, & I quote her, that quilting "has one rule ... it's supposed to be fun".

Using scraps, she has created many new designs & patterns...taking the old & making it new. However, if you are looking for staid or typical, you'll not find it with her. And just for a bit of fun, I have a question for you:

What did the quilter do when she realized she'd been working an hour with an empty bobbin?

She went to pieces.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE JANUARY 20.



Please welcome our new member:

Susan Sharp

MESSAGE FROM PROGRAM COMMITTEE

We sincerely appreciate reading everyone's kind words and positive feedback following the December party. It was a real pleasure to plan the evening with our committee "Angels" as each one of them added a special touch to the program and worked hard to create an evening everyone could enjoy!

BLOCK OF THE MONTH with Cathy Eagles & Sue Baldauf

12 MONTH SAMPLER - BHQG BOM 2024-2025

On hiatus till March. The final four blocks are scheduled for March to June. If you have any questions, feel free to contact either of your BOM organisers: Cathy Eagles: eaglescathy@hotmail.com

Sue Baldauf: suebaldauf@hotmail.com

Best of all, we had a chance to get to know one another a little better and have some fun along the way! We are blessed to be members of such a warm and welcoming Guild and to have a great Executive Team at the helm!

Sincerely, Janice Ferguson, Program



SPRING RETREAT 2025

Location: Hidden Acres Mennonite
Camp and Retreat Centre
1921 Line 37,
New Hamburg Ontario, N3A 4B5



Friday April 4 to Sunday April 6

Maximum 21 spaces.

Application form in this newsletter.

Cost: \$240.

There are three spots left. Contact Rhonda if interested.

Please let Rhonda know if anyone is interested in joining the committee for the retreat.

The committee will be having their kickoff meeting in January.

Rhonda Bennett

rhondabennitt@hotmail.com

QUILT EXPO ONCE UPON A QUILT 2026

Currently the following posts have chairpersons or co-chairpersons, however some posts have none or maybe one. Each post needs 2, a chairperson and a co-chairperson.

Chair: Rhonda Bennett / Co-Chair Roseline Dufour

Treasurer Kim/ Assistant Lorraine Gerdali

Marketing: Sharon Hamilton/ Assistant Ofelia

Registration of Quilts : Aline Chan

Display of Quilts: _____ & _____

Quiltque: Chairperson Ruth Cripps & _____

We need to have a chairperson for each category, in order for the quilt show to move forward.

Further info will be in subsequent newsletter.

Rhonda Bennett, coordinator

WINNERS!

Door Prizes: Carolyn Plum

Terri Ann Tabac

50/50 winner: Diana Ratsep

Library Draw: Carrie Browne

Guests: Kim Sharpe

**OUTREACH**

With Stephanie

Enjoy your holiday season! We will be back next month with pictures and a report.



Your Outreach Committee – *Dianne T., Carolyn P., Honey F., Roseline D., Sandra G., Linda B., Ruth C., Diana R., and Stephanie*

SHOW & SHARE

Bonnie MacDonald: Crazy for Cowboys quilt

Elaine McLean: Happy 40th birthday

Sharon Culp: 3 Quilts

Dianne Dixon: pillow & quilt, all beautifully hand-quilted

Linda Young: Christmas tree quilt using the Korean Pojagi technique.

Kerry Alldritt: two wallhangings machine quilted by Steven

Tatjana Esseltine: Quilt Top

Linda Court: EQP Mystery Quilt, Celtic Knot Quilt

Susan Clark: 4 bed runners – motivational rugs

Becky McAlister: Celtic Knot quilt – farm scene

**NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY**

by Ruth Cripps

We sold several magazines from our cull of the library archives.

Nine members borrowed books from the library.

Carrie Browne won the library draw.

Ruth



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Quilters!

Happy New Year to you all. And I didn't get a chance to wish you a Merry Christmas, I hope your holidays were "Merry and Bright" and spent with special people: family and friends! I certainly did, and got a lot of rest too!

Turned out I had a stomach flu so wouldn't have wanted to pass that on!

I heard that you had a wonderful celebration that broke all records, thanks to Steven and the management team!

On to the next month's activities, with a Zoom meeting in January and February (just in case of inclement weather!). See below for details of our special speaker!

There will still be a smaller SEWcial at 10 AM on January 9th at the church, in the library, but a group of those already signed up will be using the hall for their exciting workshop with Steven.

New Year...new inspiration! See you then!

Sincerely,

Linda Bodkin, President

**OFFICERS 2024-2025**

President	Linda Bodkin
Past President/Nominations	Joanne Beard
Vice President	Steven Clark
Recording Secretary	Susan Clark
Treasurer	Kim Ferrell / Ass.t Lorraine Gerald
Membership	Lisa Scott / Kim Ferrell
Front of House / Communications	Aline Chan
Program Committee Chair	Joan Tressel / Roseline Dufour
Workshop	Colleen Fauvelle
Newsletter Editor/Webmaster	Aline Chan

COMMITTEES

Spring Retreat 2025	Rhonda Bennett
Library	Ruth Cripps / Ass't Susan Archer
Quilt Racks Committee	Sue Baldauf
Community Outreach	Stephanie Nemeth, Dianne T., Carolyn P., Honey F., Roseline D., Sandra G., Linda B., Ruth C., Diana R.
Touch / Fidget Quilts	Joy Archer / Judy Taylor / Sue Baldauf
Historian	Roseline Dufour
Photography	Verna Radford
Publicity/Info to CQA	Ofelia Escareno
Archives	Carol Hunter-Ward
Celebrations	Mary Connan
Pop Tabs	Bonnie MacDonald
50/50 Draws	Tatjana Esseltine / Rhonda Bennett
BOM / DEMOs	Cathy Eagles & Sue Baldauf
Scholarship	Sue Baldauf
Secretary / Cards	Susan Clark
SEWcials	Verna Radford / Sharon Culp
Special Project	Sue Baldauf, Brenda Konyu, Lisa Scott, Roseline Dufour, Deb Bolognese
Greeter	Joan Tressel
Bus Trips	Roseline Dufour
Program	Chairs: Joan Tressel / Roseline Dufour Asst: Janice Ferguson, Sharon Hamilton
Quilt Expo 2026	Rhonda Bennett

**'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 Susan Clark know. susanlovestoquilt@hotmail.com



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PROOF-READERS: Sue Baldauf, Linda Bodkin, Roseline Dufour, Joan Tressel, Stephanie Nemeth and article writers.

SEWCIAL—on the day of meeting**10 AM—3:30 PM** 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.

Join us anytime during the day and take advantage of the opportunity to work on your BOM or other projects.

Everyone is welcome!

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

Verna: verna.radford@gmail.com

Sharon: s.culp@sympatico.ca

**WORKSHOPS WITH COLLEEN**

⇒ The January workshop is full but we will start a waiting list if desired. (Details for this workshop are in the December newsletter)

⇒ February 15th workshop is Small Landscapes with Mary Connan. You can make these pieces of art with found bits and scraps from your stash as well as wool roving, embroidery floss and other thread scraps, leftover bits of yarn, textured fabrics, organza and other shiny fabrics. Mary will have some supplies to share. We will also cover some basic machine thread painting as well.

Location: Gaukel Community Center.

⇒ March 15th workshop will be a table runner with Sue Baldauf featuring pieced blocks set on point. This table runner can showcase a favourite fabric cut in large pieces. Location: Gaukel Community Center.

Note: all workshops are scheduled for 9:30 to 3:30 and the fee is \$35.00 unless otherwise noted.

As we are not meeting in person in January and February you can register with Colleen via email (or at SEWcial) and then send payment by eTransfer to our treasurer at

bhqq.etransfer@gmail.com

Colleen

FIDGET/TOUCH QUILTS

BHQG makes fidget/touch quilts for young children, special needs youth and for the elderly, especially those with Alzheimers conditions.

Kits will be available from Joy Archer at the meetings.

Your Touch Quilt Committee, Joy, Judy & Sue B.



Sue Baldauf's
March table runner
workshop



Three samples of
Mary Connan's
landscapes



*Quilt
Workshop*



BHQG SPRING RETREAT 2025 - Chapter 31**3 spots left**

Where: Hidden Acres, 1921 Line 37, New Hamburg, Ontario

When: Friday, April 4th to Sunday, April 6th, 2025.

Time: Friday 9:30 am to Sunday 2:00pm

Cost: \$240.00

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: Home: ____ - ____ - ____ Cell: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name: _____ Phone: _____

DIETARY REQUIREMENTSDairy Gluten Free Vegetarian Diabetic Other

Please provide details: _____

ACCOMMODATION

Hidden Acres' lodging is comprised of some single and some double rooms. Please note we are limited to 21 participants and rooms will be assigned. If you'd like to share a room with a quilting buddy, please provide **Your Roommate's Name** _____

Additionally, please indicate if you have any mobility or health issues that need to be taken into account when considering your room assignment _____

*Note that participants will be required to bring their own bedding and towels.

PAYMENT DETAILS

Receipt of your full payment (\$240.00) will reserve your space. Please keep in mind we are limited to 21 participants! NSF Cheques will be charged \$35.00.

Refunds will be issued at the discretion of the BHQG Retreat Committee.

Please indicate your preferred method of payment: Cheque Cash

If paying by cheque, please make cheque payable to the Brant Heritage Quilters Guild.

If paying by cash, please bring your full payment to the December 14th BHQG meeting.

Receipts will be issued upon receipt of your payment.

I hereby release the Brant Heritage Quilters Guild from any loss, injury or damage of any nature, including death, while attending this retreat.

SIGNATURE: _____ Date : _____

Contact: Rhonda Bennitt email: rhondabennitt@hotmail.com Cell: 905-308-5565

SHOW & SHARE

Pictures by Kerry Alldritt



FESTIVE CHEER

Photos by Kerry Alldritt



HOLIDAY CHEER

PHOTOS BY JANICE FERGUSON



UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

2025 Shows

From now till January 25, 2025: 2025 Grand National Delights—a touring exhibition of 37 fibre art pieces, each exploring a delightful image or activity. Woodstock Art Gallery

April 26, 27: Quilted Treasures, Region of York Quilters Guild

May 2, 3: Oxford Quilters Guild Pieces of Magic

May 15-19: WEFTFest Festival, Tri-Sisters Art House,
St George Banquet Hall, Waterloo

May 28, 29: Etobicoke Quilt Fever

May 30, 31 Halton Quilters Guild—Stitches in Our Time, Sheridan
Conference Centre

June 18-21, 2025 Quilt Canada, International Centre, Mississauga

June 20—BHQG bus trip to Guild Canada

Sept 25 and 26, 2026—BHQG Quilt Show

Join us May 15-19, 2025 at the St. George Banquet Hall, Waterloo, for 5 days of fibre arts.

This year, we are pleased to present Canada's most significant heritage artwork, Quilt of Belonging. A richly coloured portrait of the human family, Quilt of Belonging is a 120-foot (36-metre) long collaborative textile art project. Its 263 blocks represent the rich cultural heritage of all of Canada's First Peoples and all of the nations of the world as we enter the new millennium.

Friday May 16 to Monday May 19 the festival will be open to everyone from 10am – 5pm. \$15 door fee.



QUILT SHOW 2025

Pieces of Magic

- PRESENTED BY -
Oxford Quilters' Guild
(part of the Ingersoll Creative Arts Centre)

MAY

FRIDAY 2nd 10AM TO 6PM	SATURDAY 3rd 10AM TO 4PM
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Location: Embro Zorra Community Centre
355644 35th Line, Embro, ON N0J 1J0

Admission: \$10

FEATURES:

- Over 200 new quilts by members
- Guild challenges
- Door prizes
- Merchant mall
- Boutique of hand made items
- Tea room
- Raffle quilt (draw Saturday at 3pm)

For further information contact: Gwen Tracey
gwentracey@execulink.com
519-495-8192 or visit our website
www.oxfordquiltersguild.org

Etobicoke Quilters' Guild Quilt Fever 2025

An amazing display of colour and talent featuring traditional to modern quilts, fibre arts and lots of quilting fun!

Café • Door Prizes • Pick-to-Win • Merchants Mall
Members Boutique • Quilting Demonstrations

March 28 - 10 am - 5 pm
March 29 - 10 am - 4 pm
Admission \$10.00

Neilson Park Creative Centre, 56 Neilson Drive, Etobicoke, ON, M9C 1V7

Info at: etobicokequiltersguild.com

WEFT FEST

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Happy New Year!

PRINT YOUR NAME: _____

EVENT: Bus trip to Quilt Canada 2025, International Centre, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada

DATE OF TRIP: June 20, 2025



BRANT HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD

REGISTRATION FORM FOR OUTINGS AND / OR TOURS / AND SPECIAL EVENTS

PARTICIPANT'S DECLARATION

I hereby apply to participate in an outing / tour and in so doing agree that while participating:

- I understand that I am the person who is fully responsible for the state of my health and undertake to do all that is necessary so as not to place other participants under stress or duress or to put them in danger because of the state of my health or my behaviour.
- I declare that to the best of my knowledge I am fit enough to undertake outings / tours and agree to advise the Travel Committee immediately should my state of health change.
- I declare that I will only participate in activities where I am physically capable.
- In the case of any accident, illness or emergency while on an outing / tour / event, please contact:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____

City _____ / Postal code _____

Privacy Statement: Information provided shall be kept private and confidential within the confines of the Brant Heritage Quilters Guild.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Travel waiver, December 4, 2024 update

CQA QUIET SHOW 2025

DATE : June 20th 2025



DESTINATION: International Centre, Mississauga, Ontario

Meeting Area: Park & Drive Abbott Court off Garden Ave
Brantford, Ontario

Depart: 8:30 SHARP.

Return: 5:00 SHARP from Mississauga

Sign-up at December **BHQG** meeting through March 2025 for members.

Fee: non-refundable \$20.

Sign up at April **BHQG** meeting for non-members for non-refundable fee of \$60.

No ticket will be purchased after April. It will be the responsibility of participant to stand in line to purchase their own tickets after this date.

BHQG has generously offered to pay for the transportation plus taxes, plus ticket, plus tip to driver, plus snacks, plus water - TOTAL value: approximately \$4000.

N.B. Participants may wish to bring their own bagged lunch. There is a concession at the show and places for you to sit and eat your lunch.

Transportation: Badder Transportation Bus Lines (St. Thomas)



Coach, seats 56 people, Comfortable, spacious, reclining seats with armrests , Wi-Fi, Cell phone connectivity and power outlets, Ample overhead storage, Climate controlled environment, Tinted windows, Onboard washroom

