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Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild
meets the third Thursday of the month
at St. Martin's Anglican Church
195 Windsor Road East, North Vancouver

Happy New Year everyone!

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends and that you did not indulge too too much.

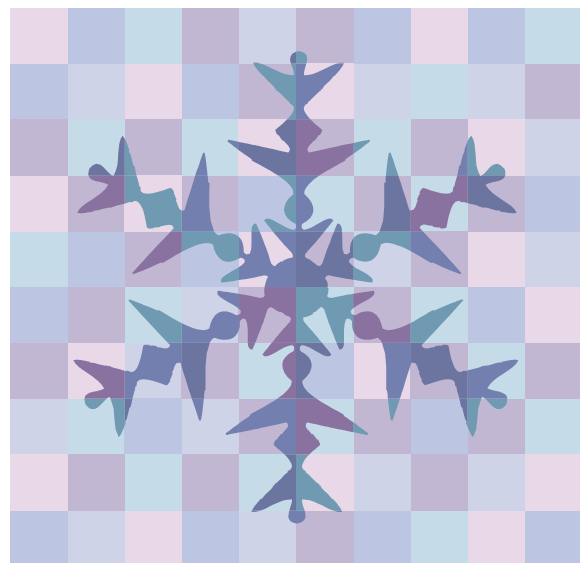
It was very sad to hear of the several disasters worldwide over the Christmas and New Year holidays and I am sure we have all been feeling sympathy for the families and friends of those who have lost their lives.

On a brighter note and looking forward to the New Year, we have a number of interesting programs lined up and of course in February, we have a have our comfort quilt making days. If you have any free time to help cut kits or pre cut backings, please talk to Terry.

I am taking part in the Batik Beauties Block Swap and am very excited about my eventual quilt. I love to include lots of color and so far at least I have not been disappointed with my block exchange. There are some fabulous batik fabrics and it is going to be interesting when we all make up our quilts at the end of the exchange... whenever that may be!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the January general meeting, but until then happy quilting and wishing everyone all that you wish for in 2015

Joy Brown



PROGRAMS

JANUARY 15, 2015 PROGRAM: Trunk Show by Terry Aske

Organizer: Trish Vickery

We are looking forward to welcoming Terry Aske to our next meeting. Her trunk show chronicling her quilting journey will be a treat. She will also be introducing her upcoming workshop to be held on **Saturday, February 7/15 at Capilano library** and she will be available to answer questions and comment on our proposed pictures.

We already have 9 signed up for this unique experience so make sure you sign up and pay Gigi the full fee (**\$45 plus \$15 for a photo pattern** created by Terry) at the January meeting to hold your spot. If we have any unpaid spots left after our meeting, they will be offered to the Vancouver Modern Quilt Guild.

The workshop will cover the technique Terry has developed to recreate a favourite architectural photo into a wall hanging. She will be producing full sized patterns for our individual inspiring photos as long as the photo JPEG is emailed to her before **31 January**. Remember to give her the desired size of your wall hanging. (Terryaskeartquilts@gmail.com).



Check out her website: terryaskeartquilts.com/studio

FEBRUARY 19, 2015 PROGRAM: Comfort Quilts
Organizer: Terry Whiteman

MARCH 19, 2015 PROGRAM: Trunk Show by Judy Villett
Organizer: Trish Vickery

See future newsletters for details and check out Judy's website at www.judyvillett.com.

MAY 21, 2015 PROGRAM: Trunk Show by Cathy Miller
Organizer: Gigi Hamer

See future newsletters and Cathy's website at www.singingquilter.com for details.

WORKSHOPS

FEBRUARY 7, 2015 WORKSHOP: Terry Aske

Organizer: Trish Vickery

Described by Terry: "**CREATING ARCHITECTURAL ART QUILTS FROM PHOTOS**

Learn how to create realistic pictorial quilts from you own photo of a building or other architectural structure. Participants will bring their own full-size pattern from their own photo. (Optional: for a \$15 fee per pattern, participants can e-mail their photo prior to the workshop and I will create a full-size pattern.)

The workshop will cover various techniques – freezer-paper templates, piercing, folded-edge appliqué and fused appliqué. We will discuss the importance of value in selecting fabrics. I will bring some of my quilts to the workshop for inspiration and illustration of the techniques used. I will share tips and tricks and provide written notes and checklists about my process.

Participants should leave the workshop with a planned and partially completed project."

MAY 22, 2015 WORKSHOP: Cathy Miller
Organizer: Gigi Hamer

"MOCK MOLA" Appliqué: Raw Edge Machine Reverse Appliqué. See future newsletters and Cathy's website at www.singingquilter.com for details.

MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS

BATIK BEAUTIES SQUARE EXCHANGE

Organized by Gigi Hamer

A few people have told me that some of the squares they have received are not the specified size of 5 inches and that those smaller than 5 inches are not usable on the quilt top. **Please ensure that you press fabrics, accurately cut strips 2 inches wide and use a quarter inch seam when joining the strips. Please also iron and measure your completed 5 inch squares. If they are less than 5 inches squared please try again.** Thank you very much for working within that framework and if you have any problems, please contact Gigi.

JANUARY 2015 RETREAT FIBRE EXPRESSIONS IN SEHEL T

Organizer: Gigi Hamer

Sunday, **January 11** to Wednesday, **January 14**, 2015

If you have any questions or comments about the retreat please e-mail or telephone Gigi who will out of town until the afternoon of Wednesday, January 7/15. Most of us will likely leave on the 10:10 ferry from Horseshoe Bay. Fibre Expressions will probably not be open before 11:15 am that Sunday.

MAY 2015 DAY TRIP TO SUNSHINE COAST QUILT SHOW

Organizers: Connie Willoner and Gigi Hamer

The show is in Gibson's from **Friday, May 1 to Sunday, May 3, 2015. We will likely be arranging carpools on Saturday, May 2.**

DECEMBER 18, 2014: Christmas Party!!!

That was one great party! Thanks to all of the members who participated in making it happen and, in particular, the kitchen committee. **Connie Willoner and Wendy Ratcliffe**, you two pulled off an amazingly creative and fun filled program that was enjoyed and appreciated by all of us. *Thank you so much!*





POTLUCK RECIPE

Courtesy of Wendy Lynn

Indonesian Spread

- 1 package cream cheese (250 g)
- 1½ tsp curry powder
- 1 tsp turmeric
- 3 drops Tabasco

Mix these together and spread on the bottom of appie dish.

- ½ cup mango chutney (or peach or apricot jam)
- ½ cup red pepper jelly

Mix these together and spread on top of cheese layer.

- 1 or 2 chopped green onions
- ½ cup dark raisins or cranberries or some of each
- ¼ cup roasted pine nuts

Sprinkle on top.

Refrigerate until about ½ hour before serving/Serve with crackers and enjoy!

WHITE ROCK RETREAT

- **WHO:** Grouse Mountain Quilters Guild Members. If you are a new member this is an excellent way to get to know your fellow members better – and we would love to get to know you better too.
- **WHAT:** The cost per person to rent the Conference (sewing) room is **\$ 50.00** each for the weekend, based on 16 persons attending. **Call Catriona (604) 985-2193** to reserve your spot and she will collect your deposit at the January meeting.
- **WHEN: Friday, March 13 to Monday, March 16th.** (There may be single-day spots available. Please call Catriona to arrange.)
- **WHERE:** Ocean Promenade Hotel, 15661 Marine Drive in White Rock. Reservations: **1-888-976-2326** www.oceanpromenadehotel.com. A variety of rooms are available – from single and double bedrooms to full kitchen, 2-bedroom suites to share. Book your own room and let them know you are with the Grouse Guild, as we have arranged a special room rate for you.
- **WHY:** Quilting, walks on the seawall, quilting, shopping, quilting, relaxation, quilting, visiting, and quilt some more.

There are many restaurants within walking distance of the hotel, or if you are planning to rent a suite, bring your own food. There is also a casual daytime lunch/coffee shop in the hotel.

Please join us for a weekend of sewing, friendship and a good time.

Do you need to clean out your sewing room???

You can bring your extra fabric, thread and any sewing materials to the next Guild meeting. Mona will gladly deliver your donations to the Maywood School.

CQA UPDATE

(Susan Carle)

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Positions & Opportunities

Volunteers are indispensable to our association! A term is usually two years, so biennially we have a turnover of directors and Regional Representatives.

Director opportunities: This year there are positions open on the board - Vice President, Secretary, Membership and the new directorship - Social Media. This new position may be very exciting to a member-entrepreneur who is actively using media as we are with our blog, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Please see the website:

<http://www.canadianquilter.com/members-area/volunteer-duties.php> for job descriptions.

Regional Representative opportunities: Please consider joining as the representative of one of these areas: Interior British Columbia, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland ' Labrador, Prince Edward Island and the Yukon. Duties are listed at: <http://www.canadianquilter.com/members-area/volunteer-duties.php#regional-representative>

NEW job opportunity for a CQA/ACC member: The association is seeking a Conference Coordinator for our 2016 Quilt Canada conference. Please contact president@canadianquilter.com to express your interest.

Professional CQA/ACC Members

Recently we asked if professional members want to enrol in a plan similar to the CQA/ACC Guild Insurance for General Liability. This plan would cover professionals during workshops, shows and trade events. We are making a list of professional quilters who are interested in so we can approach the insurance company with this option. Please contact secretary@canadianquilter.com to add your business to the list of interested professionals.

Quilt Canada and National Juried Show 2015

Members are **registering** for Quilt Canada events and workshops in **Lethbridge, AB** (June 4-6, 2015). We encourage quilters to volunteer at this conference where you will meet and connect with other quilters.

Visit our website at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2015.php>.

We are thrilled to have both experienced and new entries for the National Juried Show. All entries must be received and completed – with no pending status – before noon EST on February 4, 2015. The link is: <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2015.php>.

Cantik Batiks Youth Challenge 2015

Visit to our blog at: <http://cqacanadianquilting.blogspot.ca/2014/12/youth-challenge-alexas-idea.html> to see the 'stuffie' pattern created by Alexa, one of our 2014 winners. Members and shops still have time to sponsor a student for the 2015 challenge, 'Favourite Animal'.

Details are at: <http://www.canadianquilter.com/news-events.php?ID=54>

Website Addition

We received a suggestion from a member of DOTS (Dunnville's Own Tiny Stitchers). She wanted a list of Interguild events. So we have made a simple change on our website at <http://www.canadianquilter.com/events-calendar.php> to include Interguild Events. On the calendar at this page, you may search by region and by month. We encourage guilds to add Interguild events as well as quilt shows at the 'Call for Entry Submission' link, found beside 'Call for Entry':

(<http://www.canadianquilter.com/members-area/member-forms.php?display=event-call-entry>). This will enable new guilds and members to find out what's coming up in their region or in a region.

Members Only

Mystery Quilt

The Spinning Star mystery quilt has 3 parts for you to 'solve' ! The next section will be posted on Jan. 15, 2015.

Invite a Friend to Join or Renew Your Membership:

Thank you for your continued support to encourage and build Canadian content in the world of quilting! Here's the link to renew your membership. Forward this email to a friend to encourage other quilters to join:

<http://www.canadianquilter.com/members-area/members-renew-signup.php>

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know you are in a hurry!

FROM "LOOSE THREADS"
(*Quilters' Connection January 2015*)

Internet Inspiration

...some of our favourite go-to websites for ideas, patterns, and projects

We all need a little inspiration sometime - and ideas abound on the great world wide web. The wonderful thing about quilters is that we like to share with people. We share ideas, photos, tips, techniques, and patterns - and it's all out there for everyone. So when I need a little inspiration, I turn to the internet for ideas for a new quilt or project. Here are just a few of my favourite sites:

Northcott Fabrics - Northcott is a Canadian fabric manufacturer! They have free patterns on their website:

<http://www.northcott.net/?sid=3&layout=2col&content=patterns&filter=4>

Craftsy - Craftsy is well known for their great online courses with every topic you want to learn about to become a better quilter. However, they also have inexpensive, and free patterns and projects submitted by designers and fans across the world: www.craftsy.com

Missouri Star Quilt Co. - The Missouri Star Quilt Co. has a wonderful selection of video tutorials on their website and on YouTube where you can learn to make so many different quick and easy quilts! www.missouriquiltco.com

About - If you want to know anything about anything, this site is the one for you! Janet Wickell, who is in charge of quilting.about.com has some great tips, techniques, and plenty of free patterns: <http://quilting.about.com>

Quilter's Cache - Here's another one of those sites that has just about everything, specifically for quilters! Freebie's, how-to's, step-by-step's... www.quilterscache.com

Moda Bake Shop - The patterns on this site are all provided by fans of Moda fabrics. www.modabakeshop.com

Do you have a favourite fabric company or line? Most fabric manufacturers have free patterns on their websites - good places to check out!

Important reasons to purchase fabric. . .

- ◆ It insulates the closet where it is kept.
- ◆ It helps keeps the economy going. It is our patriotic duty to support cotton farmers, textile mills and quilt shops.
- ◆ It is less expensive and more fun than psychiatric care.
- ◆ Because it is on sale.
- ◆ A sudden increase in the boll weevil population might wipe out the cotton crop for the next 10 years.
- ◆ I'm participating in a contest—the one who dies with the most fabric wins.
- ◆ It keeps without refrigeration; you don't have to cook it to enjoy it; you never have to feed it, change it, wipe it's nose, or walk it.
- ◆ I need extra weight in the trunk of the car for traction on snowy, icy roads.
- ◆ Because I'm worth it.
- ◆ Like dust, it's good protection for previously empty spaces in the house, like the ironing board, the laundry hamper, the dining room table. . . .



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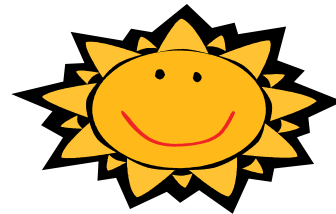
Moja is a wonderful place to grab a cup of coffee. It is located at the corner of Rupert Street and Harbour Ave (east of Canadian Tire)

Moja takes pride in supporting our community and we are pleased to thank Moja for their generosity.

When in the area, please drop in for a coffee.
Enjoy a Thomas Haas treat and say "Thanks" for providing our Guild with coffee every month!

REMINDERS!!!

- ✓ Name Tags
- ✓ Mugs
- ✓ Library Books
- ✓ Show and Tell



Do you know of a member who is under the weather?

If so, please email

Jan

callowjan@hotmail.com

Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild

Next Meeting: Thursday January 15th

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(doors open from 9:00)

Apologies for any errors/omissions.

Contact Margo for changes at 604-986-3415 or margojnovak@gmail.com