

Minnesota Quilters Meetings

Thursday, May 4, program at 7 p.m. on Zoom

Saturday, May 6, 10 am Garage Sale at MQ Office (no program)

Patricia Belyea, The Alluring World of Japanese Yukata Quilts
Thursday, May 4, 7 p.m.

Liz McHenry, Laura Nagel, ed@mnquilt.org
Education Co-directors

Patricia Belyea co-owns Okan Arts with her daughter, Victoria Stone. Mesmerized by the beauty of Japanese textiles, they are teachers, speakers, and makers of creative quilts. Their west coast business imports vintage textiles from Japan, runs quilting workshops, leads tours to Japan and offers Patricia's quilts for sale in its online gallery.

Patricia's presentation takes us to Japan for a flashback of the Tokyo Quilt Festival, a tour of the 2022 Yokohama Quilt Show and a visit to a traditional chusen-dyeing workshop.

Patricia finishes with a show of her own quilts, made with vintage Japanese cottons and talks about how these special fabrics inspired her.

Register with this link for the Thursday meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtdO-oqz0tGtB_ZiJpHSWkBP8WBF9D5pJt

You will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

In lieu of a Saturday program, Minnesota Quilters has scheduled an indoor garage sale beginning at 10 a.m.



Minnesota Quilters Garage Sale

Saturday, May 6, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Clearance sale from 2 to 3 p.m.

The more you bring, the more you can take home! From May 3 through 5, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. our Garage Sale team will be at the church door to collect donations. We welcome quilting fabrics, notions, machines, batting, patterns, books, kits, UFOs and other quilt-related items you no longer need or use.

Fabric must be usable and clean. Pieces larger than one yard should be measured with the amount attached with a safety pin, not a Post-it note. MQ will sell fabric by the pound. No magazines or hand-quilting frames.

Shopping begins at 10 am inside the building. A coffee and donut table will fortify your shopping energy. MQ merchandise, MQP, and QFO will all have tables. If you would like your own eight-foot table, contact Laura or Liz at ed@mnquilt.org to reserve a spot for \$20, payable on the day of the sale.

This event is in place of a regular monthly meeting or program and is just as much fun.

Volunteers are needed for drop-off days (11 a.m. to 3 p.m.) and sale day (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.). If you can lend a hand, please go to mnquilt.org. You can't miss the link – it's the big red Volunteer ball on the home page.

*On sale day there will be a \$5 bag clearance sale from 2 to 3 p.m.



The Minnesota Quilt Show

June 15 - 17, 2023

River's Edge Convention Center, St. Cloud

www.mnquilt.org/mq2023

Show Information

By May 5 quilt entry information will have been mailed to entrants of Judged, Non-Judged, Challenge and Youth exhibits. June 2 is the final day for Advanced Registration.

Classes begin Wednesday, June 14. Preview and Meet the Teachers begins at 7 p.m. The show floor opens Thursday at 9 a.m. The Garden Tour is Thursday evening, and the Banquet is Friday evening. The show closes Saturday at 4 p.m.

Board of Directors
Oct 1 2022 - Sept 30 2023

President

Wynn Martin
president@mnquilt.org

Past President

Mary Tague
pastpres@mnquilt.org

President-Elect

(Open)
preselect@mnquilt.org

Treasurer

Marcy Huggins
treasurer@mnquilt.org

Secretary

Colleen Backus
secretary@mnquilt.org

Communications Co-Directors

Pat Curtner, Karen Kopitzke
comm@mnquilt.org

Education Co-Directors

Liz McHenry, Laura Nagel
ed@mnquilt.org

Membership Co-Directors

Jan Schmidt, Mea Clift
membership@mnquilt.org

Operations Co-Directors

Reo Pratt, Kathie Simon
Frank
ops@mnquilt.org

Editor

Wanda Shelton
editor@mnquilt.org

MN Quilt Project Chair

Carolyn Silflow
mqp@mnquilt.org

MQ 2023 Quilt Show

Coordinators

Rose Allen, Yvonne Curran
mq2023@mnquilt.org

Employees

Show Director

Brenda Lyseng
showdirector@mnquilt.org

Bookkeeper

Amy Fennwald
bookkeeper@mnquilt.org

Office Manager

Debra Svedberg
quilter@mnquilt.org

Hard copies of the newsletter will be available for an additional \$20 at the time of membership renewal. This charge is to cover the cost of printing and postage. Cash and checks welcome.

Upcoming Events

Wednesdays, Quilting for Others, 11 am to 1 pm, pick up supplies and drop off finished work at Recovery Church, fourth Wednesday is a work day for QFO

May 1, 8, 15, and 22, Quilting Together via Zoom, 10 am to 4 pm, link on page 10.

May 3-5, Garage Sale Donation Days, 11 am to 1 pm

May 4, Member Meeting, 7 pm on Zoom, Japanese Yakuta Quilts

May 6, Garage sale, 10 am to 3 pm (no Saturday program)

May 11-13, MQ Day Retreat, Recovery Church

May 16, FLAP meeting, 1 pm

May 18, Finance Meeting, 2 pm on Zoom

May 20, Show Committee Meeting, 9 am on Zoom

May 23, Board Meeting, 6 pm on Zoom

May 24, QFO work day, 10 am to 2 pm, Recovery Church

May 25, Executive Committee Meeting, 10 am on Zoom

July 13 and 15, Member meetings, Meg Cox

June 15 - 17, 2023, The Minnesota Quilt Show, River's Edge Convention Center, St. Cloud, Minnesota

More calendar information on the MQ website <http://www.mnquilt.org/.html>

Directions and a map to MQ are shown at <http://www.mnquilt.org/location.html>

DEADLINE for June Newsletter: Tuesday, May 9. Send newsletter articles and photos to editor@mnquilt.org. *Later submissions may be saved for the following month's newsletter.* The newsletter deadline is normally the Tuesday after the Saturday meeting. Send Show and Tell photos to showandtell@mnquilt.org. Include descriptions if you wish.

COVID-19 Guidelines for MQ meetings:

Minnesota Quilters, Inc. considers the health and safety of all our members, staff and guests to be our top priority. Our COVID policy is to follow guidance by city, state, and CDC. CDC Currently advises following guidelines by county, using the information at the link at the bottom of this notice.

At this time, COVID community levels for all counties in the Twin Cities Metro area are designated as low, and therefore, we recommend our members and visitors stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and get tested if they have symptoms. At this risk level, masks are optional. People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask. We will continue to monitor the county data published by the CDC in making ongoing determinations. If you have questions, CDC info can be found at the link below. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>

Thank you for your patience in this ever-changing environment.

Mission Statement (Our Purpose)

The mission of Minnesota Quilters, Inc. is to nurture the art and craft of quilting through inspiration and education, to support our communities through our craft, and to honor our quilting heritage.

Vision and Value Statements <https://mnquilt.org/aboutmq.html>

SignUpGenius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/minnesotaquiltersinc>

MQ needs your help. Please click on this link to see what help we need. Please take a look at the Show Volunteer needs to see if you are able to help.

The site lists volunteer opportunities. Save the link for additional ways to participate in MQ activities and volunteer often and in any capacity that you can.

The May 2023 Day Retreat from May 11 through 13 will be held at Recovery Church for three days of sewing with up to 23 other quilters. Go home at night to your own bed. Sewing hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday and Friday. Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Each attendee gets one table. We have many cutting mats, irons, big boards and extension cords if you'd rather not bring yours. Meals are on your own, bring food from home or order out or go to a restaurant. The kitchenette has a fridge/freezer, ice maker, microwave and toaster.

MQ members Loretta Stone and Charlotte Breivik are your hosts. Recovery Church is at 253 State Street, Saint Paul, 55107. The non-refundable fee to members is \$45 for all 3 days and \$60 for nonmembers.

Come to have fun sewing and make new friends. Open this link for more information: <https://cvent.me/odaxV8>.



The Minnesota Quilt Show

June 15 - 17, 2023

River's Edge Convention Center, St. Cloud

www.mnquilt.org/mq2023

The Minnesota Quilt Show is shaping up to be another great quilt show. Members and others have entered many, many beautiful quilts. Judges Sue Cortese and Cindy Erickson will

award thousands of dollars in prize money to the winners of the Judged exhibit which has 118 entries. Non-Judged entries total 129 quilts with 17 of those from the 2022 MQ mystery quilt project. Twenty-six young quilters have entries in the Youth exhibit, and 43 quilters completed the MQ challenge in either New Beginnings or Full Bloom fabrics. Thank you, quilters!

Quilting for Others reveals a new quilt design that looks intricate but is deceptively simple to make. Be sure to participate in one of QFO's daily jelly roll races while you are at the show. MQ's generous and prolific quilters supply quilts to several charities throughout the year.

Registration for classes and lectures is open until June 2.

Enjoy shopping at the sponsor and vendor booths, including some new to MQ. Get your scissors sharpened at the show.

Special Exhibits is filled with several creative quilt exhibits, and one has audio information

about the quilts. The Learning Stage features demos from vendors and others.

Besides quilts, classes and shopping, MQ has extra events. Have your quilts appraised. Relax and sew with others in the Sewcial Lounge. Learn about other guilds at the Connect Table; some guilds bring their raffle quilts.

Take a break on Thursday evening to tour nearby Munsinger Gardens.

Masks are optional at the Friday evening banquet, and you'll enjoy Susan Cleveland as the featured speaker.

Come for the entire show, or visit for a day. If you didn't register for a class or lecture this year and didn't enter a quilt, well – enjoy the show and start looking forward to next year's show in Duluth.

Thanks for Your Continued Support of MQ

Wynn Martin, president@mnquilt.org

Planning a large-scale quilt show is a mind-boggling feat. It's not just the expertise required, or the sheer number of volunteers, or the degree of complexity that is involved. There is also a bit of risk-taking required every year. Imagine putting more than \$250,000 into a slot machine, placing a bet, and then trusting you will get that amount and a bit more back.

That's a short description of what we do every year. Minnesota Quilters, Inc. has been fortunate lately. We survived the pandemic. We're holding our own against inflation and recession. We know how to pinch pennies, and we expect to have a great show this year. That's the good news.

Here's the risk: we have 50+ vendors so far, and our budget planned for 70. We have almost as many sponsors as we planned for but not as many as we need to turn a profit. Registrations are strong, but we want to fill up a few more classes.

At this point in the year, it's a given that the show will go on. But this year more than ever, we need your attendance and if possible, we would be grateful for any financial support you can lend to MQ. We remain committed to delivering a great show with great classes, lectures and quilts. We will continue to support the Minnesota Quilt Project to document our quilt heritage, and we will keep supporting our communities with the many quilts created through Quilting for Others. Education, celebration, and community support – this is the cycle of creative stitching we continue each year.

Please join us at the Minnesota Quilt Show in June and bring a friend. Thanks for your support.

Donate here: <https://www.mnquilt.org/donate.html>

Behind the Scenes Show Preparations

Brenda Lyseng, Show Director, showdirector@mnquilt.org

It's closer to show time, there is excitement and urgency in the air. The scheduled tour of the facility was changed to a virtual tour due to the April 1 storm. The show floor layout is being drafted. Ribbons are being ordered. A few workshops with very low enrollment were cancelled. We are working on the show guide layout with ads from a variety of businesses. We have programmed the cash registers. Merchandise has been ordered including shirts with the new logo and a surprise. The website is continually updated. Quilt entry is closed and letters to entrants will be sent soon. New permanent signage will debut at the show. Our volunteer needs are being identified.

We always look for opportunities to get members and others involved in The Minnesota Quilt Show. It is a lot of fun. Consider becoming an individual sponsor. For example, Carol Hancuh has helped offset the cost of software that allows us to create audio tours for quilt exhibits. Other options are to provide refreshments for our vendors during move-in days, to sponsor the Graffiti Cherrywood Challenge or the Immigrant special exhibit, or to offset the cost of our new signs or the chartered bus to Munsinger Gardens. Contact me with your ideas.

We have several new vendors: Anna's Awesome Applique Designs, Arrow Sewing Furniture, Daisy Bags, Fix Your Feet, GE Designs, Honeygrove Handcrafts, Lumgabo Pillow, Quarry Quilts & Yarns, Quilter's Clinic, Reproduction Fabrics, The Howells Nest, Threads and Ewe, Vacuum Center & Sewing Room, and Wildflower Quilt Co. We also are providing a scissor sharpening service with Edge Mobile Sharpening. Bring your scissors.

While we are still adding more vendors, please know that we will probably have fewer than we had last year. This has been a trend at other national shows. Our show is scheduled the same weekend as the Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival. A number of our regular vendors decided to vend there instead as that is a biennial event. We will welcome them back in 2024. I'm also working with KCRQF to ensure we don't have the same conflict in 2025. Vendors who will be at our show are bringing more inventory. We are also trying a new idea to expand the vendor area. Pattern Designer Showcase will be a shared booth featuring a number of pattern designers selling their patterns and books. If you are a pattern designer, please contact me for details. If you would like to help us manage the booth, we need you, too.

Thank you for your assistance and enjoy the show.

Faculty at the Show

Maureen Ohland, Theresa Miedema, faculty@mnquilt.org

Faculty are gearing up for the show through their donations to the Quilt Auction and preparations for the Faculty Exhibit highlighting their work. Let us make sure they are welcomed through our advance registration for their lectures and workshops.

Lecture passes are available as individual and multi-day options and can be used for admission to all the one-hour lectures. The topics are exceptional and showcase the talents of our wonderful faculty.

Gwen Hanvy starts the Thursday series with English paper-piecing and is followed by Sue Cortese with her journey through Indigo Shibori and Mark Making in the quilting world. Cindy Erickson will be presenting on Minis, and hers is followed by an Art-Quilt-Texture lecture by Luke Haynes. The evening offering concludes with a modern quilt trunk show by Christa Watson.

Both Friday and Saturday lectures offer insights into the world of judging, appraisals, quilt documentation and an art quilt lecture by Deb Boschert. Cheri Stockinger brings us insight into her special exhibit presentation.

The workshops have openings to embrace our world-class talent. Luke Haynes' classes offer a vision into the art world of improvisation and repurposing of clothes in quilts. He will demonstrate how to create masterpieces from everyday textiles with personal touches. Barb Kuklok's courses have openings to learn the techniques of using all those decorative stitches on your domestic machine. Her tips render applique work extraordinary. Christa Watson's course on Quilting between the Lines with Free Motion techniques promise methods to bring all these projects to a beautiful completion.

Be sure to look at all the offerings and sign up today. A few classes have only a few spots remaining, and you will not want to miss this fantastic opportunity to learn from our talented faculty.

Important Dates for Cancellation of Advanced Registration

March 18 through April 21: 50% of all fees for classes, lectures, and special events will be refunded. No refund of registration fee or membership purchases.

After April 21: No refunds unless cancellation insurance has been purchased. No refund of registration fee or membership purchases. If you bought cancellation insurance and need to cancel before 2 p.m. June 2, you will receive a full refund for classes, lectures and special events. If you cancel after then and before 11:59 p.m. June 13, you will receive a credit toward the next MQ event you register for. To cancel, you must contact the MQ office or staff@mnquilt.org.

Volunteering at the Show

Laurie Klinkhammer, Joe Muehlbauer, showvolunteers@mnquilt.org

Are you wondering about volunteering at the Show? Do you have a few questions such as – Are volunteer jobs hard? Is training needed? Is it too late to sign up? Where do I sign up? The good news is volunteer jobs are not hard, instruction needed varies by the volunteer position and in many cases is provided at your assignment, it is not too late to sign up, and we're using the same signup software that MQ has been using for a few years.

As you may already know, MQ's show is run by show committee volunteers and show volunteers with the assistance of the MQ staff – our fabulous show director, office manager and treasurer. Show committees decide their needs for pre-, during, and after-show volunteers. These needs are then made available to volunteers through SignUpGenius.

There's more than one way to get to MQ's Volunteer Signups:

- At MQ's website, mnquilt.org, click the big red ball labeled VOLUNTEER, or
- At MQ's show website, click Extra Activities. Scroll to the Volunteer! Section, and scroll to Click Signup Here!
- Both routes eventually get you to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/minnesotaquiltersinc>

Below MQ's All Volunteer Requests, you'll see something similar to this screen shot::

All Volunteer Requests



You'll notice many signups, and there may be more available from within the orange boxes that will be displayed on the left and the right. Signups have been grouped by date for each day of Show Week, as Pre Show for all dates before Show Week, and as After Show for all dates after Show Week.

Because you are most likely looking to volunteer when you aren't in a class or attending a lecture or shopping, Show Week signups are listed by date and sorted by start time.

If, for example, you'll be at the show on Thursday, June 15, and are available to volunteer in the afternoon, go the 6/15 signup and scroll down to afternoon hours. There you'll find two opportunities (aka slots) from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. – Booth Helper for MQP and Quilt Auction. If a slot is available, there will be a Sign Up button. Click it and follow the prompts. It really is that simple, and Signup Genius sends you reminder e-mails.

On the date or dates you volunteer, we ask you to check in at the Volunteer Booth. Checking in is your ticket to the Volunteers drawing. During the show stop by the Volunteer Booth at any time to see if there are any urgent volunteer needs. Thank you to those who have already signed up.

Quilting for Others at the Show

Merle Pratt, Diane Rose, showqfo@mnquilt.org

Come be a part of the community that Quilts for Others. We will be located in the Town Square area of the show near the Learning Stage.

We will have a Jelly Roll Race at 2 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and at 10 a.m. on Saturday. Teams of two will compete to complete a quilt top. Everything is provided - including a friend if you need a partner. Prizes! Space is limited, so come by and sign up in advance, or let us know beforehand by e-mail at qfo@mnquilt.org.

You can test-sew the various sewing machines which are for sale at great prices by sewing Heartstring blocks or our new quilt for this year which includes split rail and nine-patch blocks. Be sure you register for a door prize when you spend some time sewing at Quilting for Others.

Quilting for Others will collect placemats for Meals on Wheels to be donated in the St Cloud area. Whether you have tired feet and need a rest, or if you want to sew with friends, or try sewing on the new machines, or you want to be a part of giving quilts to others, Quilting for Others is a great place to include in your quilt show plans. Come be a part of the community that Quilts for Others.

Be sure to check the daily progress of quilts that are being made at the show and look for the blocks that you sewed.





The Minnesota Quilt Show Masquerade Banquet ... at Best Western Plus Kelly Inn, St. Cloud

Terri Kryson, Jean Carr
banquet@mnquilt.org

Masks are optional at the banquet. You don't have to make one; you don't have to buy one; you don't have to wear one. We want everyone to come and enjoy the banquet. Please sign up and join us for a great event.

Each year there are memorable moments everyone talks about after The Minnesota Quilt Show. Quilting friends you haven't seen in years, great classes in which you learned an amazing tip or trick, plus speakers who shared their inspiring work and got your creative juices flowing. The Friday evening banquet where you laughed, were mesmerized by the keynote speaker, celebrated the Minnesota Quilter of the Year and the Minnesota Volunteer of the Year, enjoyed a wonderful meal which you didn't have to prepare or do the dishes, and received a curated thank you gift for attending.

The Minnesota Quilt Show Masquerade Banquet this year promises all of those great banquet experiences and the opportunity to celebrate being together with others who share your passion for quilting. Susan Cleveland, The Minnesota Quilt Show banquet keynote speaker, brings quilters together with her charm and humor.

Join us. Tickets are available at \$45 for members and \$50 for non-members

Challenge yourself to create a Masquerade Mask for the evening (or come maskless), or purchase a premade mask from the merchandise table at the MQ Saturday morning meeting.

Top prizes will be awarded for a unique mask in each of these categories:

Most Outrageously Flamboyant

Most Colorfully Conceived

Most Beautifully Bedazzled

Most Panache with Precision and Points

Most per-SUEDED with Cherrywood

Most Regaled by the Quilting Police

The Minnesota Quilt Show Masquerade Banquet will be a magical night you won't want to miss and one that you'll talk about long after the last class has ended.

The Minnesota Quilt Show News

Rose Allen, Yvonne Curran, showcoordinator@mnquilt.org

Well, it's getting closer. Before we know it, we will converge on St. Cloud, Minnesota, for our big event of the year – The Minnesota Quilt Show.

We need your help make it happen. There is a lot to do beforehand, and we need many hands to help at the show. Consider coming early to help hang quilts. You could help set up the Quilt Auction or the MQ merchandise booths. If you are taking a class, consider signing up to assist the teacher.

We have these opportunities and more for you to step up and sign up. Go to mnquilt.org and click on SignUp Genius. See where help is needed and volunteer. We know from experience that volunteering is fun and lets you be a part of something really big – The Minnesota Quilt Show.

Here are a few other updates to get you pumped about attending:

We are working on our Sewcial Lounge. It will be in University A room in the Kelly Inn. What is it? We envision a place where you can go and sew – perhaps to finish that project you started in class or to share a technique you learned with a friend. It's a great place for your group to gather and share the treasures purchased from the vendors. Perhaps you just want some time to sit and do handwork. Check your Show Guide for the hours the lounge will be open.

Sign up for the Minnesota Quilters Masquerade Banquet. Masks are encouraged but not required. You can create your own, but a variety of masks are for sale at MQ Merchandise. The cost is \$15 and each one is unique.

Do you know we sell daily lecture passes? If you can attend the show for only a single day, consider purchasing a lecture pass for that day. They can be purchased at our daily ticket booth.

We look forward to seeing you in St. Cloud.

Judged Exhibit

Kate Eelkema, Sarah Parker, judged@mnquilt.org

Thank you to everyone who entered a quilt (or two) in the Judged Competition of The Minnesota Quilt Show for 2023. Show attendees will have some amazing works of art to view this year.

In early May judged quilt entrants will be receiving an envelope with information about shipping or delivering their quilts to the MQ office, a quilt receipt, and two hang tags - one to be attached to the quilt and one to be attached to the bag when they ship or deliver it. If you do not receive this envelope by mid-May, or if you have questions about any of the information inside the envelope, please e-mail us at judged@mnquilt.org.

Please note these important dates:

If you are shipping your quilt to the MQ office, it must arrive between May 30 and June 2. Remember to include a pre-paid return shipping label if you want your quilt shipped back to you after the show.

If you are delivering your quilt to the MQ office, it may be dropped off from May 30 through June 2 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The MQ office address is Minnesota Quilters, Inc., 253 State Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55107.



On-Site Sharpening At the Quilt Show!

****Fabric Shears
*Pinking Shears
*Rotary Blades
...And More!***

PRICING ON THE WEBSITE.

EDGE MOBILE SHARPENING

www.EdgeMobileSharpening.com

EdgeMobileSharpening@gmail.com

651-890-9991

Bring your dull tools to the quilt show!

How are You Getting to the Show?

Kathie Simon Frank, Margaret Lundberg
Charter Bus Tours Coordinators, bustours@mnquilt.org

Minnesota Quilters invites all those who love to make quilts, look at quilts, or just like to be around quilts to attend the annual quilt show Thursday through Saturday, June 15 through 17, at River's Edge Convention Center in St. Cloud. Have you thought about how you'll get there?

One of the simplest ways to attend is to talk with your friends about going together. Then approach your local quilt guild or your local quilt shops to see if they will have a bus tour to the show. Guarantee them that you'll be the first ones to sign up.

Here's where Minnesota Quilters, Inc. can help. We'll list all bus tours with their details (price, departure and arrival date and times, etc.) on the show website. When people look for a bus tour in their area, they'll see what's available. When people call the office for suggestions, we refer them to the bus tours listed on the show website. These are good ways to fill extra seats on your bus.

What are the benefits of traveling to the quilt show on a tour bus?

You won't have to drive. You won't have to find or pay for parking. You'll be delivered to the quilt show door and will be picked up there later in the day. You'll pay in advance, so with your ticket in hand, you won't have to stand in the admissions line, and your ticket admits you to all the quilt exhibits and gives you access to all the vendors who will be selling patterns, tools, fabric, thread and related items.

But wait, there's more. A bus tour provides you with ready-made companions to shop with and to see the quilts. You might win a door prize just for riding the bus. Minnesota Quilters provides a door prize for each bus; often the tour organizer provides additional door prizes. See details about registering your bus tour on the show website at <https://web.cvent.com/event/7c43dce5-c037-4901-b01d-2f654e5c5ce0/summary>. Or from mnquilt.org, click on Shows, then 2023 Show, and click on Trip Planner. Scroll to click on Register a Charter Bus Tour. Or contact Kathie and Margaret at bustours@mnquilt.org for answers to your questions.

We look forward to greeting you on your bus when it arrives at River's Edge Convention Center.

July Meetings Preview

Liz McHenry, Laura Nagel, ed@mnquilt.org

Thursday, July 13, 7 p.m., Meg Cox will present Quilt Journalist Tells All, on Zoom only. On Saturday, July 15, 10 a.m., Meg Cox's program is Behind the Scenes of the World's Greatest Quilt Museum, in-person and on Zoom. A picnic will follow the meeting. Mark your calendar for MQ's first annual member's picnic. More details will follow.

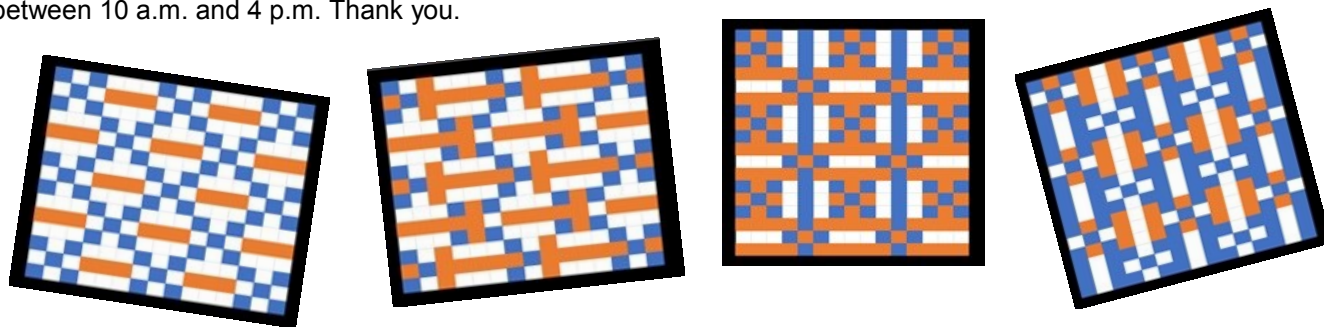
MQ President's Invitational Quilts

Wynn Martin, president@mnquilt.org

Avivo Village is a collection of tiny homes sheltered within a larger warehouse space in Minneapolis. Avivo has served Minnesota since 1960 and helps nearly 15,000 people each year to achieve recovery, employment and economic advancement. Our goal last year was to deliver one twin-sized quilt for every bed in the village, and we expect to complete our promise this year.

Additionally, we are gathering quilts for another charity in Baxter, Minnesota, the home of Karla Overland, our 2023 Quilter of the Year. Create a lap quilt or baby quilt.

Deliver your quilts to the Minnesota Quilters office by June 7, on Wednesdays only, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Or bring your quilts to the volunteer desk at River's Edge Convention Center on Monday, June 12, or Tuesday, June 13, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Thank you.



Who's Who on the Show Committee The MQ members are producing The Minnesota Quilt Show for 2023. If you are interested in serving on a committee, this is an excellent time to contact current committee members. Have a front row seat to the action and be in a good position to co-chair a committee on the next show. New volunteers are welcomed and bring fresh ideas. Some committees have more work than others, but all are doable. Volunteering is a great way to meet members and support the guild. Please consider joining the ranks of show committee volunteers.

Show Director Brenda Lyseng - showdirector@mnquilt.org
Show Coordinators (2) Rose Allen, Yvonne Curran - showcoordinator@mnquilt.org
Admissions (2) Loretta Stone, Sharyn Resvick - admissions@mnquilt.org
Advanced Registration (2) Linda Wines, Mary Nelson - registration@mnquilt.org
Banquet (2) Jean Carr, Terri Krysan - banquet@mnquilt.org
Bus Tours (2) Kathie Simon Frank, Margaret Lundberg - bustours@mnquilt.org
Challenge 2023 & 2024 (2) Karen Kopitzke, Pat Curtner - challenge@mnquilt.org
Equipment Manager (2) Jude Edling - equipment@mnquilt.org
Faculty (3) Theresa Miedema, Maureen Ohland - faculty@mnquilt.org
Judged Exhibit (2) Sarah Parker, Kate Eelkema - judged@mnquilt.org
Marketing (2) Mea Clift, Tina Rohde - marketing@mnquilt.org
Merchandise (2) Louise Somers, Carrie Carlson - merchandise@mnquilt.org
Non-Judged Exhibit (2) Wanda Shelton, Diane Rose - nonjudged@mnquilt.org
Photography (2) Linda Huntzicker - photography@mnquilt.org
Quilt Auction (2) Elizabeth Murray - smallquiltauction@mnquilt.org
Quilt Entry Logistics (1) Sue Rutford - quiltentryhelp@mnquilt.org
Quilting for Others (2) Diane Rose, Merle Pratt - showqfo@mnquilt.org
Raffle Managers (2) Dorothy Sand - raffle@mnquilt.org
Signage (2) Mary Ann Baraibar, Rita Culshaw - signage@mnquilt.org
Special Exhibits (2) Laura Nagel, Adrienne Lemberg - specialexhibits@mnquilt.org
Vendors (2) Char Wenger, Jeanne LaMoore - vendors@mnquilt.org
Volunteers (2) Laurie Klinkhammer, Joseph Muehlbauer - showvolunteers@mnquilt.org
Website (2) Karen Rainford - showwebsite@mnquilt.org
Youth Exhibit (2) Lisa Stene, Paulette Marini - youth@mnquilt.org

MQ Board Meetings

Board@mnquilt.org

Did you know that any member can attend the monthly board meeting? Please call a board member if you want to participate, but anyone can attend. It's scheduled for the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. From the bylaws:

Please send a request to the office or a board member if you wish to attend and we'll provide a link to Zoom.

March Meeting Highlights

Laura Nagel, Liz McHenry, Carolyn Silflow
ed@mnquilt.org, mqp@mnquilt.org

Charming is certainly the word for our March programs sponsored by Minnesota Quilt Project. Dawn Cook Ronnigen delighted the membership with her in-depth knowledge of antique to modern charm quilts and the who, what, where, when and why of the style which arose during Victorian times when collecting was a popular hobby. Quilters bought or traded for the hundreds or even thousands of unique prints that they included in a charm quilt.

A trunk show of charm quilts from Dawn's collection was beautifully photographed for our Zoom audience and was even more impressive at Saturday's in-person meeting. Still, no touching, but a very close inspection of fabrics and construction techniques was possible. Dawn answered several questions and went into more detail about fabrics from that period in her quilt study workshop immediately following the meeting. It gave students the opportunity to examine her charm quilts and tops in detail. After an introduction to resources and tools for quilt study, students looked for the variety of print patterns and colors that were typical of the latter half of the 19th century to the early 20th century time period.

For another opportunity to meet Dawn and see quilts from her collection, she is offering a quilt study session about Medallion quilts at the show. Thank you, Dawn, and MQP, for providing us with such an informative presentation.

As announced at Thursday's meeting, we will no longer be taking a break during the meeting as viewers have the freedom to mute and pause video to take care of any necessary tasks. Thanks to Loretta Stone for providing coffee and refreshments during our Saturday break.

Announcements included show information about sponsoring a front-row table at the banquet, purchasing exotic masks for the Masquerade Banquet, and additional volunteer opportunities. Education is especially looking for a few people to learn the 'Owl' technology for meetings. Training is provided, and it really is just a back-up time commitment in case one of our regular tech crew is not available. Please contact Laura or Liz at ed@mnquilt.org if you are interested or need more information for this opportunity.



April Meeting Highlights

Liz McHenry, Laura Nagel, ed@mnquilt.org
Education Directors

MQ's birthday was celebrated this month with guest speaker Bonnie Lundorff of Willow Wood Market. On Thursday evening Bonnie joined us via Zoom with several of her original and reimagined quilts that she embellished with wool. She demonstrated her techniques for working with wool, including favorite tools, thread, and quilting in the second half of her presentation. This program will be available to members on the MQ YouTube channel.

Saturday Bonnie joined us in person. She showed several more quilts and wall hangings during her trunk show, surprised us with some historical quilts for a grand finale and set up a tempting mini-shop for purchases. If you couldn't make the meeting in person, visit Bonnie online at www.willowwoodmarketdesigns.com. Following the meeting she taught Wool Crazy Quilting, a half-day class attended by 13 members. Thanks to Loretta Stone for providing coffee to accompany our birthday cupcakes.

Linda Wines was honored as Outstanding Volunteer at both meetings. She has contributed to the success and quality of our organization for many years, and we are so thankful that she continues to volunteer her time and talent to our future endeavors. On Saturday she received a plaque, gift certificate to Quilt Haven on Main in Hutchinson, and a beautiful plant to add to her garden as soon as the ground thaws.

Announcements included show info about sponsoring a front-row table, purchasing exotic masks for the Masquerade Banquet, and additional volunteer opportunities. Check SignUp Genius for a time to contribute that fits your schedule.

Jude Edling provided us with several show and tell quilts during both programs. If you would like your quilt to be included in the slide presentation, e-mail a photo to showandtell@mnquilt.org. Include your name, the name of the quilt or pattern, and a little information about the item. We love to see your work.

Hospitality

Sharon Lawrence, Kathy Loomis

It would be great if members would bring snacks for the Saturday in-person meetings. Any foods such as cookies, bars, fruit, etc. are welcomed during the coffee break at the meetings. Thank you.

Show and Tell Quilts Not every quilt goes to The Minnesota Quilt Show, but they all need to be in the spotlight at least once. Send a photo of your quilt and tell us its story to showandtell@mnquilt.org. Thanks, Jude Edling

Quilting for Others

Diane Rose, Merle Pratt, qfo@mnquilt.org

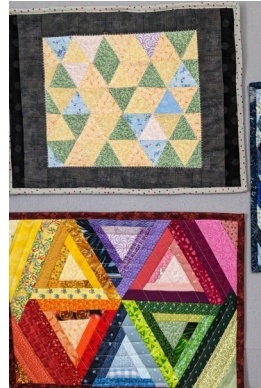
Last month I asked for more baby quilts to donate to the Minnesota Visiting Nurses Association. As I knew they would, the generous quilters of MQ took up this challenge and came through with 67 beautiful quilts. I also mentioned that we are always looking for people to quilt our tops either on their longarms or on their regular sewing machines. Once again, many people have come forward and the tops are flying out the door on our regular Wednesday pick up and drop off sessions.

At our work day in March our focus was on small zipper pouches for Avivo Village, an organization that supports people who are homeless. Here is a picture of the ones made that day. Everyone attending our work day had fun sewing together with friends and enjoying the show and tell of all the quilts donated that day. Our next work day is April 26 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Recovery Church. Bring your sewing machine, lunch and a friend, and join us then.

At The Minnesota Quilt Show every year, Quilting for Others donates placemats to a charity in the host city. Last June we donated 200 placemats to St. Cloud Catholic Charities. Think how this small gift might brighten the day for senior citizens as they get their Meals on Wheels delivered.

Directions for placemats are on the MQ website on the QFO page. Go to mnquilt.org and click on the Meetings tab, then click on Quilting for Others. These are general directions so feel free to add your personal touch, such as starting with an orphan block, raiding your scrap stash, or trying a new technique. Be creative.

As always, thanks to all the quilters who contribute so much to QFO so we can donate so many beautiful quilts to those in need. We couldn't do it without you!



Quilting Together on Zoom in May

Linda Wines, lindawines@comcast.net

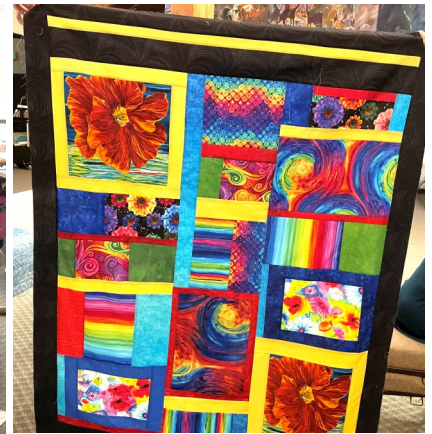
Devote the first four Mondays in May to MQ Zoom quilting days. Enjoy a home retreat day and the companionship of quilters without needing to pack your machine, projects and tools. The regular attendees will welcome you and hope you become a new regular. The same link works for all four Mondays.

May 1, May 8, May 15 and May 22:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82747265102?pwd=eUQvakhJUDNLSTdYV3JMR2JHbDhLUT09>

Camp Wapo Spring Retreat

Our annual spring retreat at Camp Wapo was a great success. Wapo is a beautiful setting and the weather was very agreeable for springtime. Lots of quilting was accomplished and good times enjoyed by all. Thank you to Leah Doherty for hosting and coordinating the retreat. Thank you to Quilting by the Hearth in Lonsdale, Minnesota, for contributing a generous gift certificate.



THE
Cutting Edge
Quilt Shop

The Cutting Edge Quilt Shop (formerly Fabric, Fashion and More) in Rush City, MN.

*** New owner ***

Bulletin Board

Through July 1, 2023, **MAAHMG, the Minnesota African American Heritage Museum and Gallery**, Community Quilt Project exhibits 14 quilts expressing Black history, Black joy, love, family, racial justice, civil rights, Black liberation, gun violence, healing, and Juneteenth – freedom. There is also a quilt honoring Prince created during painting of the Prince mural. 1256 Penn Avenue N., Minneapolis. Tuesdays – Fridays 1 pm to 5 pm, Saturdays 10 am to 2 pm. Free admission. Contact Tina Burnside, Info@maahmg.org

If you know of a quilt show or other quilting event scheduled in the next six months, e-mail details to editor@mnquilt.org. Include the event name, the organization producing it, dates, address, admission, contact and other details.

Same location and creative and knowledgeable staff!

485 S. Dana Avenue ~ Rush City, MN 55069

320-358-3693 ~ Rush2quilt.com

Conveniently located just one mile east of Interstate 35 – turn south just before the railroad tracks.



Thank you to these 2023 sponsors of The Minnesota Quilt Show.

~ ~ Gold Sponsors ~ ~

BERNINA

made to create

www.bernina.com

Aurora, IL

St. Cloud Sewing Center

St. Cloud, MN

320-251-6540

www.stcloudsewingcenter.com

Pine Needles Quilt & Sew

Rochester, MN

507-226-8480

www.pnqs.net



Country Loft Quilt & Design –
Innova

Forest Lake, MN

651 464 6260

www.countryloftquilt.com

JANOME

Reliability by Design

Sew With Me

Lake Elmo, MN

651-600-3258

www.sewwithwi.com



1st Sewing Center

Bloomington, MN

www.elna.com

~ ~ Silver Sponsors ~ ~



St. Cloud Sewing Center

St. Cloud, MN

320-251-6540

www.stcloudsewingcenter.com



Cherrywood Hand-Dyed Fabrics

Baxter, MN

888-298-0967

www.cherrywoodfabrics.com



Wildflower Quilt Co

Lakeville, MN

952-236-4300

www.wildflowerquilt.com



Just Sew Studio

Waite Park, MN

320-654-1580

www.justsewstudiomn.com



GE Designs

Chaska, MN

www.gequiltedesigns.com



Rosie Girl Quilting

Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

www.rosiegirlquilting.com



Minnesota
Quilters inc

MINNESOTA QUILTERS, INC.™

253 State Street
St Paul, MN 55107-1612

MQ News is the monthly newsletter for members of Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™, a nonprofit organization formed to find and unite quilters and quilt enthusiasts throughout the state of Minnesota and elsewhere. MQ News is published twelve times a year by Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™

The views expressed herein are not necessarily those of Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™ Although every effort has been made to provide timely and accurate information, Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™ shall have no liability to any person or entity with respect to liability, loss, or damage caused or alleged to be caused directly or indirectly by the information contained in this newsletter. This publication is intended to provide generalized information only and not to render professional advice. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise without prior written permission of Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™ © 2023. All rights reserved. *Deadline for submissions is the first of the month for the following month. Ads and articles may be sent to Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™ Editor, 253 State Street, St Paul, MN 55107-1612, or e-mail editor@mnquilt.org*

The mission of Minnesota Quilters, Inc. is to nurture the art and craft of quilting through inspiration and education, to support our communities through our craft, and to honor our quilting heritage.
Established April, 1978.

For a printable form from our website go to: <http://www.mnquilt.org/documents/PaperMembershipForm.pdf>



Minnesota
Quilters inc

Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™ Membership Form

Member Information:

Payment Information:

Member name, or gift recipient's name (please print):	This membership is: New Renewing Gift
Address:	I would like to make an additional donation of \$
City: State: Zip:	Check Cash Visa MasterCard Discover
Home and/or cell phone:	Credit Card No:
Email: (needed to send you your newsletter and other MQ announcements)	Expire date: CVV2 3 digit code on back:
Membership Levels: Circle one. (all levels include free entry into general membership)	Name on credit card (please print):
\$45 Regular Access to all website features. Receive newsletter via email. Early registration for annual show. Textile Center Library privileges.	Phone:
\$20 Student Full time student. Access to all website features. Receive newsletter via email. Early registration for annual show. Textile Center Library privileges.	Signature:
\$75 Business Quilt-related business. Access to all website features. Link to your website. Receive newsletter via email. Textile Center Library Privileges.	I would like my newsletter: (check one) _____ Emailed to me in full color (Free!) or _____ Mailed to me in black and white for an additional \$20 per year.
\$20 Newsletter Postal Mailed Add to your dues price. Dues are not refundable.	

Please mail your completed form and payment to: Minnesota Quilters, Inc.™, 253 State Street, St Paul MN 55107 For questions call 651-224-3572