

*Halton Hills
Quilters' Guild
Newsletter
April
2025*



Halton Hills Quilters' Guild (Established 1991)
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Meetings Held At: Halton Hills Optimist Club
13439 Hwy 7, Georgetown, ON
7 pm – 4th Monday of the month (Sept – June, except Dec)
Note: Jan, Feb and March are on Zoom

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Hearts & Hugs: Elaine Karton
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Photographer: Kimberlee Peers-Moore
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50/50 Draw: Brenda Mathies
Coffee/Tea: Marylou Olah/
Courtney Sylvest



Oh, my goodness, it's hard to believe we're already in April. This year really is speeding by, but it's lovely to see signs of Spring. In my garden there are a few tiny daffodils in bud and I see a few hyacinths poking their heads up too. I can't wait for the tulips to make an entrance.

I bet the bunnies are thinking that too.

I'm so thrilled that we're finally getting the chance to reconnect in person. It's going to be so nice to catch up face-to-face after all these chilly months staying home.

With Irene's slideshow fresh in our minds, how about we all try a 'Spring Awakening' quilting theme for our Outreach donations? Think blossoms, sunshine, and colour—just what Extendicare residents are hoping to see!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on the 28th - it's been too long, and I'm so excited for all the smiles, stories, and show-and-share surprises! I can't wait to see everyone's projects and hidden talents that bloomed over the winter. Whether it's something quilty, creative, or just plain cool, I know we'll all be amazed!

See you soon.

... Margaret

Program ~~~ Melinda Noble

Mark your calendars!

Our April meeting marks a welcome return to in-person gatherings, and we're stitching together a program brimming with shared passion.

Join us as we delve into the world of "*Favorite Notions*," where members can showcase a beloved tool and share insights into its unique appeal.

Presentations will be limited to five minutes, allowing for a diverse range of notions to be explored. To ensure everyone has a chance to participate, **please email Melinda Noble at melinda.noble@gmail.com to register your chosen notion.**

We can't wait to reconnect and celebrate the artistry of quilting together!



Warmly,

Melinda



President's Challenge 2024-25

For me, music is a very powerful emotional trigger. Just hearing the first few notes of a familiar or favourite piece can immediately take me right back to a particular place or event where my mind can wander through beautiful memories.

Margaret's President's Challenge for this year is:

- Make a quilt about your favorite song, musician, or type of music.
- The quilt can be any size that you wish, a small wall hanging or anything up to a full-size quilt.
- You may use any type of piecing: traditional piecing, FPP or EPP, applique, it is your choice.
- It should consist of 3 layers (top, batting, backing).
- You may choose to add three dimensional aspects that embellish the surface of the piece. Beading, embroidery, thread painting, or other embellishments are encouraged, as long as, they are securely attached.

Block of the Month - 2024-2025 - Donna May

Hello fellow quilters! Welcome to April. I thought the block "Follow the Leader" was a good one for the returning birds.

When I picked this block, I thought that I would have a chance to practise partial seams but the block can easily be made without them! I will have to choose a block for next year's BOM with partial seams to practise.

The second block is "Cheerful Churn Dash" which could also be called "Framed Shoo Fly", just saying!

This was very straight forward to piece.



I love all of the different and wonderful block names. I hope you enjoy these blocks,

... Donna

Follow the Leader

Cheerful Churn Dash



Outreach ~~~ Irene Rushworth

QUILT KITS:

I have put together a few new kits for quilt tops, that members can pick up and piece together!

I am slowly working through the fabric inventory that we have had in stock for quite a while. If you have fabric in your stash that you have been looking at for a while, and are not likely to use, we would be happy to add it to the guild stash, to keep putting together quilts for our Outreach Program.

Remember, if you were able to complete any tops, or have a quilt sandwich that you quilted for Outreach, remember to bring them to the meeting!

QUILT DONATIONS:

For those of you that were not able to make the March online meeting, I have created a slide show of my visit to Extencicare in Georgetown on March 5th. It will be on the Members Only area when Margaret can get that figured out!

SALE TABLE:

I will have items for the Sale Table for the April meeting. If you have items you wish to donate, to raise funds for the guild, feel free to bring them in! If possible, remember to bring smaller change/bills for your purchases!

Looking forward to seeing you April 28th in person!

... Irene



TREASURY REPORT - IRENE RUSHWORTH

Hello to all the members!
Here is an update for the Guild Accounts!

The balances in the accounts as of March 31/25 are as follows:

General Account:	\$ 3,547.20
Investment Savings:	\$ 9,901.11
Raffle Account	\$ 1,902.93
Shares	\$ 25.00
Total:	\$15,376.24



Facebook... HALTON HILLS QUILTERS'

GUILD

www.facebook.com/groups/423151401425899

Please choose the option to "Join Group" and I will add you.

The Facebook group belongs to all of us so let's use it to keep in touch in between meetings.

You can add your own photos and messages to share ideas or ask questions.

Look out for Tips & Tricks Tuesday for great ideas and please add your own, we all can benefit from your wisdom!

Rest assured that our Facebook group page is completely private and nothing you post on there will be visible to anyone other than guild members.

... Margaret

Website... Margaret Newey

A few more of you are now members of our website at WWW.HHQQ.CA so I hope you are enjoying browsing around and making the most of the resources on there.

It has general information about us as well as a private "Members Only" area where all of our Executive meeting minutes, monthly meeting minutes, newsletters and more are stored.

I have made a few updates on the site to add some of our more recent outreach activities. I hope you get the chance to drop in and take a look around.



Postcard Exchange

Just a reminder that the cards are due by the June meeting at the latest – you can either mail them or bring them to an in-person meeting to swap.

Hope you're all enjoying the project – if you still have questions, please email me: symmesjane@hotmail.com

Newsletter Deadline

~~~ May 5th ~~~



Sew and Chat Fridays

We have a wonderful little group that gathers for Sew & Chat every Friday at Trinity United Church in Acton, but there's always room for more!

Come spend some time stitching, socializing, and enjoying the company of fellow makers. Because it will be Good Friday, we will be missing our usual bi-weekly gathering and our next get together will not be until 2nd May, followed by the 16th and 30th May.

Bring your own sewing machine, supplies and project and don't forget your lunch.

We will provide the iron & ironing board and I have a couple of small basic sewing machines that I am happy to bring, if you would like to borrow one instead of carrying your own, please let me know.

...Margaret & Jane

Hearts & Hugs



Birthday greetings are ready to go out for April.

Please add the month and day of your birthday when renewing your membership.

Let me know by email of any member who could use words of comfort, get well messages or any other occasion that warrants acknowledgement from our membership.

I will respond accordingly.

~ Elaine

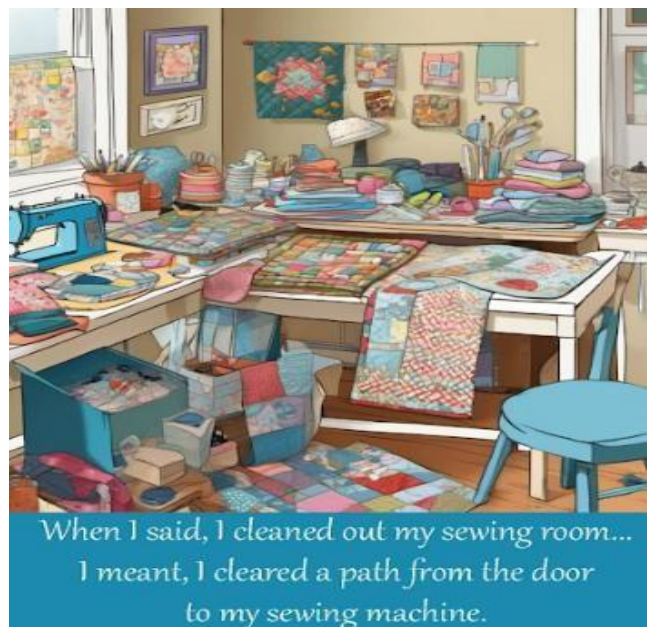
Workshops

Both the April and May workshops were cancelled due to low numbers.



Library

Lots of great books are still available.



*When I said, I cleaned out my sewing room...
I meant, I cleared a path from the door
to my sewing machine.*

COME JOIN US UPCOMING EVENTS...



WHEN? Friday, May 30 and Saturday, May 31, 2025
WHERE? Sheridan Conference Centre
 1400 Trafalgar Rd., Oakville
 (Sheridan College Oakville campus)

*SPRING MAY NOT YET BE IN THE AIR
 BUT THOUGHTS OF QUILT SHOWS ARE!*

Hello, Fellow Quilt Enthusiasts

The **Halton Quilters Guild** and its members are pleased to invite you to our Spring Quilt Show which will feature a variety of quilts, ranging from traditional to modern, as well as other quilted items made by our members. There will be a Merchant's Mall, Tombola, Spool Pull and a Tea Room with an Outdoor Patio. In addition, **Judy Lyons**, a Certified Quilt Appraiser, will be on site. Contact Judy at judy.lyons35@gmail.com, should you wish to set up an appointment.

The following vendors will be featured at the Merchant Mall:

- Grantham Books** (St. Jacobs / Waterford) www.granthambooks.com
- Hamilton Sewing** (1564 Main St. W., Hamilton) www.hamiltonsewing.com
- Kindred Spirits Quilt Co.** (211 Martindale St., St. Catharines) www.kindredspiritsquiltco.com
- Pastime Pieces** (11175 Brush Line, Blenheim) www.pastimespieces.com
- Quiltalious** (1292 Lincoln Rd., Windsor) www.quiltalious.ca
- The Cotton Harvest** (220 Main St. S., Seaforth) www.thecottonharvest.com
- Thimbles & Things** (1282 Brodie St., Severn) www.thimblesandthings.com
- Ye Olde Fabric Shoppe** (327 Erie Street, Stratford) www.yeoldefabricshoppe.com
- Young Vintage Fabrics** (Bolingbroke Rd, Maberly) www.facebook.com/Young-Vintage-Fabrics-116521103807764/

The Sheridan Conference Centre in Oakville is an accessible facility. Buses are welcome. Please notify us of any large group, so as to avoid delays at the door.

Thank you for your assistance in spreading the word!
 Susan Atherton
 Publicity, Quilt Show Committee
haltonquilters@gmail.com


Reminder...

Bring your favourite notion to the April meeting.

Please email Melinda Noble at melinda.noble@gmail.com

to register your chosen notion.





37th ANNUAL CQA/ACC TRENDTEX CHALLENGE
Blooming



TrendTex Fabrics, Inc. is, once again, generously donating the wonderful fabrics for the theme, *Blooming*. Kits will be available September 16, 2024, for members and after October 14, 2024, for non-members.

Version Française sur le site internet de la CQA/ACC

RULES:

- 1 **Fabric:** Use All five of the fabrics in the kit must be clearly visible on the front of the wall quilt. You may use three additional fabrics of your own choosing. Each kit consists of five TrendTex fabrics cut into fat quarters.
- 2 **The First Place (TrendTex Award)** is presented to a CQA/ACC member for the best use of the kit fabric. To be eligible, only the five kit fabrics may be used on the front of the wall quilt (including binding). Additional fabrics may be included on the back.
- 3 **Design** may be modern or traditional, and any combination of machine and/or hand piecing, appliqué, or quilting is acceptable. Embellishments are at the quilter's discretion. Quilts will be judged on general appearance, design, workmanship, and the use of the challenge fabric.
- 4 **Size:** perimeter (the sum of the length of all sides) of the finished piece must be no larger than 120", regardless of shape. There is no minimum size restriction.
- 5 **Finishing:** must be completely finished—including all aspects of quilting, binding, needlework/embroidery—and labelled.
- 6 **Hanging Sleeve:** at least 2" wide, stitched onto the back of the wall quilt.
- 7 **Labels:** secured to the back of the wall quilt, and to include title, artist's name, date completed, and credits. For any techniques not your own, please give credit to sources and obtain written permission if using another person's design. Please remember to respect copyright.
- 8 **Kits:** Order online at canadianquilter.com on the Quilt Canada 2025 Challenges page. Member sales begin September 16, 2024. Non-member sales begin October 14, 2024. Limit of one per person until January 1, 2025. Additional kits may be purchased after that date, if available.
- 9 **Deadlines:** Wall quilts are due April 30, 2025, in order to be eligible for judging and must meet all challenge rules. If you wish to donate a quilt for the silent auction fundraiser, without being judged, it must be received by May 24, 2025.
- 10 **All wall quilts** become the property of CQA/ACC and will be displayed at Quilt Canada 2025, June 19-21, 2025, in Toronto, ON. All quilts received will be sold by silent auction ending on June 21, 2025.
- 11 **Prizes are awarded for:**
 - First Place (TrendTex Award) for CQA/ACC members only
 - Second and third place for wall quilt, and
 - Judge's Choice Awards may also be given.
 - A Viewer's Choice Award will be announced in the early afternoon of June 21, 2025.

Entry photographs may be used in Canadian Quilter magazine, on the CQA/ACC website, or for other promotional purposes. Thank you for participating in the CQA/ACC TrendTex Challenge! We welcome all wall quilts and look forward to seeing and displaying your pieces in Toronto. The online application form is available on our website under TrendTex Challenge 2025.

MAY 30 & 31, 2025 SUNSHINE & SHADOWS QUILT SHOW IN FEVERSHAM, ONTARIO

JUNE 7 & 8, 2025 STITCHING AMONG FRIENDS QUILT SHOW IN ALLISTON, ONTARIO

JUNE 18-21, 2025 QUILT CANADA, Toronto International Centre on Airport Rd. Mississauga, Ontario Please note this change. The exhibit hall will not be open on Wednesday June 18th. Lectures only on Wednesday.

Thurs June 19 9:30-6pm, Friday June 20, 9:30-6pm, Saturday June 21 9:30-4pm



Georgian Bay Quilters Guild
presents
**Reflections Of
Georgian Bay
A Quilt Show**

April 26 & 27, 2025

Sat: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sun: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm



"Garden of Reflection" by Nancy Phelps 2021
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Exhibits of Quilts • Charity Raffle Quilt
Vendors • Tea Room

Quilt Show

Newmarket Community Centre
200 Doug Duncan Drive
Newmarket, ON

Admission: \$10.00



Saturday April 26, 2025: 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Sunday April 27, 2025: 10:00AM - 4:00PM



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QUILT SHOW**

MAY 30, 2025 10 AM TO 6 PM
MAY 31, 2025 10 AM TO 4 PM
Lindsay Curling Club, 18 Peel St., Lindsay ON

- Quilt Exhibit
- Featured Quilter
- Tea Room
- Quilt Raffle
- Vendors Mall & Members' Boutique
- Toonie Draw
- Scissor Sharpening & More

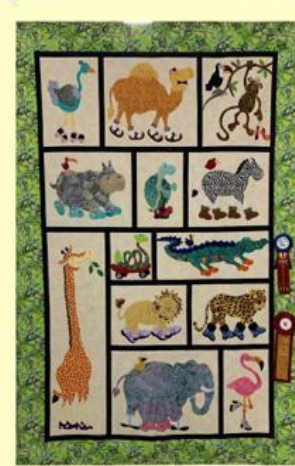
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Quilting Corners Guild Presents

Stitching Among Friends
QUILT SHOW

June 7 & 8, 2025 10:00 am to 4:00 pm




Viewer's Choice Award Winner 2023
- Senora Baldry -

Jungle Walk for a Cause
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Alliston Curling Rink, 52 Albert St., W, Alliston, ON


Admission Adults - \$10.00
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Let's face it...



Life is just a series of obstacles keeping us from quilting

REMINDER...

Bring a mug and your name tag to the April meeting.





Karen Schindler Bialik



March 2025
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