



Q.U.I.L.T., Inc.



Quilters United in Learning Together Q.U.I.L.T., Inc., P.O. Box 523, Delmar, NY 12054
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Message from the President Anita Paul	Programs and Meetings	2024-2025
<p>Dear Quilters -- Membership dues are due for the 2024-2025 year, and membership comes with some expectations.</p> <p>The first would be participation in service projects: our guild makes placemats for seniors, quilts to be donated to local not-for-profit groups to raffle, such as a fundraiser for a volunteer fire department, or to groups that give quilts to those that need them, such as asylum seekers. We've recently added small 'quilts' for newborns in incubators.</p> <p>The other need all guilds have is for members to step up to volunteer. There are multiple opportunities from bringing a snack to a meeting, to being on a committee, and to being a committee chair among others. Volunteering is the best way to get to know people, learn how the guild conducts its business, and to be a contributing member of the quilting community.</p> <p>Many of you do some of these things: thank you! Others may not yet realize that all guilds have an abundance of opportunities for members to participate more richly in the activities of the guild, and share our craft and our community.</p> <p>Summer is here: time for me to pull out winter fabric and get busy on some placemats.</p> <p>Anita Paul, President</p>	<p>June 14, 2024: General meeting and potluck luncheon. Check the first letter of your last name to see what to bring: A-F MAIN DISH G-N SALAD O-Z DESSERT Read a Quilt challenge judging.</p> <p>September 13 In-person general meeting; online video from Joyce Hughes Thread Painting</p> <p>October 5-6: QUILTS, Inc. Schenectady Quilt Show</p> <p>October 10: Joyce Hughes Thread Painting</p> <p>October 11: In-person general meeting. Joyce Hughes Thread Painting and free motion quilting workshop.</p> <p>November 7: In-person Drunkard's Path block party with Julie-Ann Fortran</p> <p>November 8: In-person general meeting. Timna Tarr quilt show and afternoon Happy Days (circles) workshop.</p> <p>December 12: In-Person block party to be announced.</p> <p>December 13: In-person general meeting, holiday party and Red/ White quilt challenge judging.</p> <p>January 9, 2025: David Sirota Storm at Sea workshop by Zoom.</p> <p>January 10: Zoom general meeting. Jackie O'Brien quilt show. Open at home sew.</p> <p>February 13: Zoom workshop with Jackie O'Brien Studio 180 tool.</p> <p>February 14: Zoom general meeting. Betty Pillsbury Crazy Quilt presentation. Jackie O'Brien workshop continued.</p> <p>March 14: In-person general meeting and service day.</p> <p>April 10: In-person workshop with Betty Pillsbury Crazy Quilts</p> <p>April 11: In-person general meeting. Betty Pillsbury trunk show. Open sew in the afternoon.</p> <p>May 8: In-person block party to be announced.</p> <p>May 9: In-person general meeting. Anne Marie Rowland Quilts and Song</p> <p>June 13: In-person general meeting. Potluck luncheon and challenge judging.</p>	

Email Communications and Membership
Publicity Chair Ellen Vande Bunte

Membership renewal for the 2024-2025 (September 2024 to June 2025) program year can be accomplished either in person at a meeting, through the mail, or online at our website: www.quiltinc.org/membership.

Membership is open to anyone who is interested in quilting. Payment of the annual dues of \$35 entitles a member to a Membership Card, voting privileges, use of the Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. library, access to workshops, and special privileges that may arise. Dues are used for renting the meeting space, having guest speakers, and maintaining the Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. library.

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Like what you see? Share the information for joining with your quilting friends!

Any questions, please contact Membership Chair Ellen Vande Bunte at communications@quiltinc.org.

Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. MEMBERSHIP FORM 2024-2025

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

(For guild-related e-mails only.)

Check one: Renewal _____ New Member _____

FOR GUILD USE ONLY

Date

Member no.

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2024-2025 Membership fee is \$35.00.

Optional donation to the guild to be included with membership fee: \$ _____

Please send this form and check payable to Q.U.I.L.T., Inc., PO Box 523, Delmar, NY 12054-0523. Online payment for membership is available at <https://quiltinc.org/membership/>

Lectures and Workshops

Thank you to Linda London and Michelle Young for securing and organizing the lectures, workshops and block parties we enjoyed throughout the year! Stay tuned for what's in store for 2024-2025: Joyce Hughes – thread painting, David Sirota – Storm at Sea, Jackie O'Brien – Studio 180 tool, Betty Pillsbury – crazy quilts, drunkard path and holiday theme block party and our annual service day.



Finished Quilts:



If you are out and about at a quilt show or in a quilt shop, and hear about someone who would be a good candidate for a lecture or workshop, please send a note to workshops through our contact page at [Contact – Quilters United in Learning Together, Inc. \(quiltinc.org\)](https://quiltinc.org)

Technology Note

Michelle Young

Michelle Young will be taking over chairing the tech team July 1st with Marcia Middleton assisting. If you have information technology or computer experience in your career that would benefit the guild, please contact Website and Zoom administrator at [Contact – Quilters United in Learning Together, Inc. \(quiltinc.org\)](https://quiltinc.org)

Out and About

In April, a group of us met at the Spinney at Pond View in Schodack to share our love of quilting with the residents. A comment we received was that it was nice that we brought our craft to the residents of over 55 communities since some are no longer able to attend a quilt show. And some of the residents shared their quilts and stories with us. We are planning another trunk show for the fall. Stay tuned for details.





Fundraising
Fundraising Chair Julie Stump

Raffle tickets are available at the beginning of most meetings to win a basket of goodies. Please bring a few dollars to support the guild and maybe win a prize!

Hospitality

Hospitality Chair MaryAnn Gibson

For the potluck luncheon at our June meeting, if your last name begins with A-F, please bring a MAIN DISH, G-N, please bring a SALAD and O-Z, please bring a DESSERT. The hospitality committee always appreciates donations of goodies to go along with coffee and community at our guild meetings. Remember to bring your own coffee mug!

Mini Mart

Mini Mart Chair Janet Snyder

Please stop by the Mini Mart open before most meetings to support the guild. We currently are accepting donations of fabric no less than a fat quarter and no scraps please. Patterns, magazines, tools, etc, are also accepted. Please send a note to Mini Market at [Contact – Quilters United in Learning Together, Inc. \(quiltinc.org\)](mailto:Contact-QuiltersUnitedinLearningTogether,Inc.(quiltinc.org)) if you have donation questions. As always, small bills are appreciated when making purchases!

Announcing the December 2024 Quilt Challenge: Red plus White = a Beautiful Quilt

Create a quilt of your own design or follow a commercial pattern using only red and white fabrics. The quilt can be either a traditional or non-traditional design and will be voted on by members at the December 2024 meeting. Prizes will be awarded to the top three ‘viewer’s choice’ in the two different categories. Please include a 35 word description of your piece.

To be eligible for this challenge, the quilt must:

- have been started after the announcement of the challenge
- have a perimeter of less than 144 inches
- be finished (quilted and bound)
- have no uncovered identifying labels.

If you have any questions please contact Judi Doody or Mary Helen Collen through the website at [Contact – Quilters United in Learning Together, Inc. \(quiltinc.org\)](mailto:Contact-QuiltersUnitedinLearningTogether,Inc.(quiltinc.org)) Have fun!!

Placemat Project

Placemat Chairs Lorraine Doyno Evans and Ruth Kvale

Join the guild’s Placemat Project! Quilted placemats are collected at guild meetings throughout the year and are distributed in December to local organizations serving the elderly, shut-ins, and other people in need. Our placemats bring much joy to the recipients. We donate hundreds a year!

Any cheerful design is welcome. The recommended finished size is 14” X 18”. A collection bin will be at the back table. Trying out a new technique? Turn that unwanted test block into a placemat. Got unwanted orphan blocks? Those could be turned into placemats as well.

Thank you all for the donations.

Service

Service Chair Diane Millson

Service quilts benefit the many organizations that receive them, and members as they reduce their stash! If you like to sew, but you have inundated your family and friends with quilts, consider making one for service. We like them about 54" x 72", but can take them if they are a little larger. Baby and kid size quilts are also welcome. Community Hospice has asked for Veteran quilts either lap size of 35" X 40" or hospital bed size of 66" X 90" in red white and blue. Camp Erin quilts should be 48" X 72". Quilts of Valor will also be accepting quilts.

Sharon Gormley is collecting quilts for the NICU to cover incubators, to keep the light out, and to swaddle the tiny babies. Quilts should 36" X 36" or 24" X 24". Sharon recommends a light batting or flannel to keep the light out. Flannel backing is preferred.

Anne Carelli-O'Brien of **US Community for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI)** is now accepting quilts for immigrants again. She is looking for quilt for twin and full size quilts. (Mattress size for a twin is 38" X 75" and size for a full size is 54" X 75") She is also able to accept small wall hangings for kid's rooms like maybe 36" X 36".

Service has kits already made up and ready to sew. They are available before each meeting or available upon request.

Here are a few pictures of the recipients of our quilts, and quilts from the December 2024 Scrappy Trip Around the World block party.







From Diane Millson: Thank you to all members for your help this year. To date we have received 210 quilted items. We have donated 170 of these as follows

10 raffle quilts
40 children's quilts
36 lap quilts
17 bed sized quilts
43 NICU quilts
24 fidget quilts

These have been given to various organizations including Albany Med, VFW, USCRI, To Life, Community Hospice, Capital City Rescue Mission, Albany Co Nursing Home, and Fisher House

If you know of any organization looking for quilts, please let me know by contacting Service through the contact page of our website at [Contact – Quilters United in Learning Together, Inc. \(quiltinc.org\)](https://www.quiltinc.org) or if you know of an organization needing quilts.

Library

Library Chair Susan Jacobsen

The Library encourages everyone to look through their quilting books to see if Guild books have been mistakenly left unreturned and are now mixed in with people's personal collections. This applies especially to items borrowed during the pandemic. Please return materials so we can put them into someone else's hands! Returns can be made at any in-person meeting, whether the Library is open or not.

Library fines will be reinstated beginning in September. Our regular practice of fines for overdue materials (\$1 per month late, unless renewed) will resume September 2024. Members may borrow books and magazines, etc., for use over the summer with the expectation that they will be returned at the September meeting (unless renewed).

We welcome suggestions for acquisition of new materials according to your interests. Thank you for your support!

Has this Happened to You?
Entry from the Empire Quilt Fest

