



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 2025-2026
<p>Dear Ones -- well, you did it! The guild has added members and they joined because we were 'friendly and had fun'. You have laughed, celebrated, created, and remembered to wear your nametags. That was my goal as your president, but you are the ones that made it happen.</p> <p>Thank you, it has been a joy!</p> <p>And thank you to all the chairs stepping down for their service to the guild, and to those stepping up for the next two years.</p> <p>Anita Paul</p>	<p>June 13: General meeting and potluck luncheon.</p>
	<p>Last name begins with and what to bring:</p>
	<p>A to F Dessert</p>
	<p>G to N Main dish</p>
	<p>O to Z Salad</p>
	<p>Calling all History Buffs: Program is with AnnMarie</p>
	<p>Rowland. She is a singer, songwriter, author, and</p>
	<p>collector of antique quilts.</p>
	<p>December 2024 Quilt Challenge "Summertime is..."</p>
	<p>judging, and Show & Share. December 2025</p>
	<p>challenge announcement.</p>
	<p>September 12: Meet the member</p>
	<p>October 10: TBD</p>
<p>November 8-9: Harvest Quilt Show (set up on</p>	
<p>November 7)</p>	
<p>November 14: TBD</p>	
<p>December 12: General meeting, December 2025</p>	
<p>Circles challenge judging and June 2026 challenge to</p>	
<p>be announced. Holiday get together and Show &</p>	
<p>Share.</p>	
<p>January 9, 2026: Zoom meeting</p>	
<p>February 13: Zoom meeting</p>	
<p>March 13: TBD</p>	
<p>April 10: TBD</p>	
<p>May 8: TBD</p>	
<p>June 12: General meeting and potluck luncheon.</p>	
<p>June Quilt Challenge judging, and Show & Share.</p>	
<p>December 2027 challenge announcement.</p>	

Board meetings are scheduled for September 5, November 7 2025, January 2, March 6 and May 8, 2026 via Zoom. If you wish to attend but are not a board member, please contact Anita Paul to receive a Zoom invitation.

President Linda London
1 st . Vice President Sharon Gormley
2 nd .Vice President Anita Paul
Secretary Janice Butler
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Mini Mart: Janet Snyder – Chair
Lou Ann Connelly
Newsletter: Julie-Ann Fortran
NICU Quilt Donations: Sharon Gormley

Placemats: Maureen Feeney
Ruth Kvale
Program/ Workshops:
Kim Rings – Chair
Sharon Gormley
Sue Irwin
Sandy Jung
Publicity: Leslie Johnson
Service: Sue Lynch
Anita Paul
Christina Wagner
Special Events for December & June meeting
Website & Zoom Administrator:
Kim Rings
Michelle Young

Membership

Ellen Vande Bunte

Membership renewal for the 2025-2026 (through June 2026) program year can be accomplished either in person at a meeting, through the mail, or online at our website: www.quiltinc.org/membership. 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, and 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. Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. members are asked to contribute at least 3 hours of their time to service projects as part of their membership. 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.

Emails including all details of the upcoming monthly meeting are sent the Friday before the meeting from the email address - communications@quiltinc.org. These emails are like mini-newsletters and contain the most up-to-date information. Emails are sent occasionally at other times when contact with membership is needed.

Be sure to click on and read the emails. Ignoring the emails may eventually send them to your spam folder and make them harder to find. Add the address to your contact list as well. You can always reply to these emails and I will filter them to the appropriate person for follow-up.

Any questions? Email membership at communications@quiltinc.org.

Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. MEMBERSHIP FORM 2025-2026	
PLEASE PRINT:	
Name: _____	
Address: _____ _____	
City Zip _____	
Primary Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____	
E-Mail: _____ (For guild-related e-mails only.)	
FOR GUILD USE ONLY: Date Member no. Check no.	
Check one: Renewal: ___ New Member: ___	
Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. members are asked to contribute at least 3 hours of their time to service projects as part of their membership. 2025-2026 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/	

Harvest Quilt Show 2025

Kimberly Rings Co-Chair

QUILT, Inc. and the Capital District Modern Quilt Guild (CDMQG) have united to host the Harvest Quilt Show 2025. The show will be November 8 – 9, 2025 (with set up on November 7) at Blessed Sacrament Church 607 Central Ave, Albany, NY 12206. QUILT, Inc. and CDMQG Guilds are looking forward to working together to show both traditional and modern quilts.

The Committees Chairs are complete with guild volunteers, but we will need additional help from guild members. If anyone is interested in helping, please review the information below to find a committee that interests you. We will be looking for volunteers to work at the show so please look forward for that information and sign up in months to come.

We have a website Harvest Quilt Show www.harvestquiltshowny.com, FaceBook Page, HarvestQuilt Show NY and Instagram Page [harvestquiltshowny](https://www.instagram.com/harvestquiltshowny). Please help us to get the word out so by finding, liking and sharing these pages.

We are so excited to unite both Guilds so we can showcase our quilt artists from the capital district, and we're hoping that you are getting excited about entering your creation in the show. We will be having a challenge at the show. Information on the **Birthday Challenge** appears below.

QUILT, Inc. will have a table chaired by Michelle Young featuring finished items. She will be sharing ideas for our members to make items for us to sell to help raise funds for our guild. We will be raffling off a quilt made by Linda Zinzow assisted by Deb Grana with fabric and design, Diane Millson with batting and Diane Kingston with quilting. We'll also be raffling gift baskets.

CDMQG Chair	Alix Duggan
QUILT, Inc. Chair	Kim Rings
QUILT, Inc. Show treasurer	Brenda Jackson
CDMQG Quilt registration	Joyce Eves
QUILT, Inc. Quilt registration	Kim Rings
Vendors CDMQG	Jenn Van Brunt
Vendors QUILT, Inc.	Julie-Ann Fortran
CDMQG Guild sales	Kirsten Fryer and Elyssa Macura
QUILT, Inc. Guild sales	Michelle Young
CDMQG Food service	Suzanne Williams and Christine Relyea
CDMQG Special features	Rachel Rose and Lauren Madden
CDMQG Admissions	Karen Plante
CDMQG Outreach publicity	Kristin Fryer
CDMQG Admissions	Karen Plante
QUILT, Inc. Admissions staffing	Kim Rings
QUILT, Inc. Volunteers	Kim Rings
QUILT, Inc. Signage	Janice Butler
QUILT, Inc. Miscellaneous tasks	Janice Butler

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer for a committee, please contact Kim Rings at communications@quiltinc.org or 518-475-0125 cell phone. *Remember to sew something for the show!*

'Birthday Challenge'

Please join us in participating in the show challenge called the 'Birthday Challenge.'

You are asked to make a 12" by 36" banner that represents the season where your birthday falls.

The banner can be made using any technique of your choosing such as appliqué, paper piecing or traditional block making. It can be quilted in any manner, but must be completely finished for the show. Makers are encouraged to use embroidery, buttons or beads to embellish their banner. Please note that the banners will be displayed vertically.

(Participation is optional)

Block Party!

Thank you to Michelle and others who assisted with a block party in May where we made gift card holders among other things to sell at our table at the quilt show in November. We had a lot of fun and accomplished much. Please try to make a few things over the summer to increase the inventory for our table.





Quilting Stash Sale

We have been notified of a stash sale that belonged to local quilter, Debby Kreifels, who recently passed away. She was a member of QUILTS Schenectady and Quilt North. Debby was an avid quilter and shopper. There will be a cash only sale in June. See below for details if you are interested:

Place: 2189 Lynnwood Drive in Niskayuna, NY

When: Thursday June 26 through Sunday June 29 from 10-4pm

All items are priced to sell and proceeds from the sale will be donated to support Debby's favorite charities continuing her generous spirit.

Please contact Linda Cary at 518-708-9755 if there are any questions.

***Bus Trip to the AQS Quilt Show in Lancaster, PA
September 10-12, 2025***

After speaking with Yankee Trails (YT), Sharon Gormley discovered that YT has already scheduled a 3-day trip to Lancaster for the AQS show in September. Instead of researching options independently, it appears to be more efficient to use YT and take advantage of their planning.

The cost is \$599.00 per person for double occupancy, which includes the following:

Round trip transportation

Hotel

Baggage, handling and taxes

AQS quilt show (2 days)

Admission to the Sight and Sound Theatre to see the production of Noah

Two breakfasts

Two dinners at the Hershey Farm Restaurant and Millers' Smorgasbord

There is a \$30 discount if your reservation is paid in full before June 10th. Contact Yankee Trails directly at 518-286-2400 to make your reservation or book online.

***Bus Trip to the AQS show in Hartford, CT
April 8-11, 2026***

Sharon has also inquired about a one-day trip to the AQS show in nearby Hartford. She is looking into a smaller bus, which would hold 24 people, but does not have a restroom. The cost of a bus with a restroom would be more expensive, but larger and more comfortable.

If a larger bus is booked, it's possible we could fill it with interested people that are not members of QUILT, Inc.

Please let Sharon know your interest at communications@quiltinc.org and she will work with Yankee Trails arranging for a bus.

June Meeting Program

AnnMarie Rowland is a singer, songwriter, author, and collector of antique quilts. "I can't leave those old ones alone," she says. "They're full of stories."

Born and raised in Michigan, her Dad handed her a yard-sale guitar when she was 11 years old, and that gift changed everything for her. Within a few months she was writing her own songs and found the confidence to sing them for people. Music has taken coast to coast in the US and from the north shore of Lake Superior to the Gulf of Mexico.

Her love of quilts began at the feet of her grandmother, who sewed quilts by hand for the family, and for charity.

In the true folk music tradition, AnnMarie's songs tell stories torn from the pages of her life, from history, from people she meets along the way...and quilts.

She believes that music and quilts have a common ability to bring people together, build community, and preserve stories.

Her program, Pieces of Time combines the two. It will make you laugh. It might make you cry. But mostly, it will do your heart good, and perhaps cause you to see your own quilts through fresh eyes.

AnnMarie emigrated from Michigan to Canada in 2021. She resides in Owen Sound, Ontario with her husband Steve, and their cat, Henrietta.



Lectures and Workshops 2025-2026

Coming Attractions

Chairs Kim Rings ,Sharon Gormley, Sandy Jung and Sue Irwin

Workshops are in the works on watercolor quilting, confetti quilting & a visit from the Nubian Quilters (an African American guild). They are organizing trips to the Lancaster AQS show & one in Connecticut. We are hoping that Amy Friend will join us by zoom for a meeting and workshop.

Please register prior to our registration deadline. We have this date set in order to cancel a workshop (without penalty) if we have insufficient enrollment. For open sew days, we need the number of participants in order to set up the room.

To register for workshops, use the registration forms that will be included in this newsletter when the schedule is formalized. Forms will also be available at our website. Fees will be listed on the forms. Supply lists will be posted at <https://www.quiltinc.org/workshops/> so you can get a

head start on assembling requirements. Or, you can scan the QR code below to take you right to the Workshop section of our website when they have been posted.



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We are now able to register and pay online for workshops using PayPal. A PayPal account is not required to use this service.

Technology Note

Chairs Michelle Young and Kim Rings

If you have information technology or computer experience in your career that would benefit the guild, please contact Michelle at communications@quiltinc.org

Fundraising

Chairs Julie Stump, Helen Farnam and Rose Grey

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

Chairs MaryAnn Gibson with Ellen Zinni and Elizabeth Zinni

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!

For the June meeting, we will be having a pot luck luncheon. If your last name begins with the following letter, please bring a dessert, main dish or salad

A to F Dessert
G to N Main dish
O to Z Salad

Mini Mart

Mini Mart Chairs Janet Snyder, Lou Ann Connelly and Joanne Frangella

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 contact Janet at or communications@quiltinc.org if you have donation questions. As always, small bills are appreciated when making purchases!

Results of the June 2025 Quilt Challenge: Summertime Is.....

Challenge Chairs Mary Helen Collen and Judi Doody will be announcing the results of the Summertime Is..... challenge.

Announcing the December 2025 Quilt Challenge:

New Challenge Chairs Julie-Ann Fortran and Paul Peters announce that the December 2025 challenge is CIRCLES. Create a piece with multiple circles but at least four. Circles can be full or half size and can be different sizes and colors.

Please include a 35 word description of the quilt.

The quilt can be either a traditional or a non-traditional design and will be voted on by members at the December 2025 meeting. Prizes will be awarded to the top three viewers' choice in the two different categories.

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 e-mail Julie-Ann Fortran or Paul Peters at communications@quiltinc.org Have fun!!

Summertime UFO Challenge

Lorraine Doyno Evans

If you have a UFO that has been unfinished for at least a year, OR you have a UFO from any class we have hosted (recent and in the past), let's git her done!

Take a picture in the unfinished state and send to Lorraine at communications@quiltinc.org by Tuesday July 1st. Work on your project over the summer and bring to the September 12th meeting. Each completed project will give you a ticket in a drawing for a free half day workshop or 50% off a full day workshop.

Placemat Project

Placemat Chairs Maureen Feeney 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. In December, we donated 379 placemats!

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.

Service

Service Chairs Sue Lynch, Anita Paul and Christina Wagner

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.

Service has kits already made up and ready to sew. They are available before each meeting or available upon request. Additionally, there are quilts pinned that need machine quilting and binding. To date, we have donated 110 service quilts.

Please send a message to communications@quiltinc.org with any questions or if you know of an organization needing quilts.

NICU 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 24" X 24" or 36" X 36". Sharon recommends a light batting or flannel to keep the light out. Over 60 quilts have been donated to the NICU.

Sharon can be reached at communications@quiltinc.org.

Library

Library Chair Susan Jacobsen along with Judy Shapiro and Linda Zinzow

The Library welcomes suggestions and requests from people for purchases of books and materials they are interested in. Meanwhile, if you have borrowed books, please return them when you are finished enjoying them. Returns can be made at any in-person meeting, whether the Library is open or not so we can put them in someone else's hand!

We'd also like to remind members that the library also lends templates for hand quilting and rulers. Because of zoom meetings and special meetings, the library will only be open four times during the year.

Our traditional practice of fines for overdue materials (\$1 per month late, unless renewed) has resumed as of September's meeting (9/2024). Members may renew materials they have borrowed by emailing Susan Jacobsen at communications@quiltinc.org or in person at meetings. Thank you for your interest!

Featherweight Gathering: Sit, Sew and Maintenance

There is no official open sew, but a Featherweight Gather. Let's spend some time working out what we want to do next year. In general terms do we want more demos, projects, maintenance, or the fluid, social, same get together?

We have a look at accessories planned for next year, but at this meeting, while sewing and listening to the beautiful hum of the machines, we will offer the dating and information on your machines. Do you know what year your machine was made?

So come on by, we can socialize, sew, and maintenance table is always open.

If you have questions about your Featherweight including maintenance, please reach out to Paul Peters from our guild. He can be reached at communications@quiltinc.org

Do you have a sewing machine to donate or know someone who does?

The Guilderland High School Art Department is offering a class in September on Fashion Design and Illustration. They are looking for sewing machines in good working condition. If you have one to donate or know someone that does, please contact the high school at 518-861-8591.

Has this ever happened to you?

Found this sign in a quilt store on my recent trip to the Southwest with Country Heritage Tours.

