



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 Linda London	Programs and Meetings 2025-2026
<p>Welcome to a new year of QUILT Inc. fun. First, I want to thank all of the committee chairs that kept QUILT Inc. running last year and all of those who have stepped up or are continuing to serve this year. I look forward to working as a team with all of you.</p> <p>My personal goal for our 2025-2026 year is to focus on achieving the goals that we set through our planning meeting which was done with input from our entire membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanding our membership • Traveling together to Quilt Shows, which is already well underway by our Program/Workshop team • Adjusting the seating configuration • Holding tight meetings • Collaborating with other guilds • Expanding our social media presence <p>We had so many accomplishments over the last year, donating quilts to community groups and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Albany Med. Our placemat donations were also greatly appreciated. We are shifting our donations of neonatal quilts to comfort quilts to be placed on the beds of terminally ill patients in the hospital. These are all ways we demonstrate our commitment to community.</p> <p>And, of course, our Harvest Quilt Show will showcase our quilting skills and provide a great opportunity to attract new members. I hope you will all share ideas throughout the year on how we can improve our guild and reach out to potential new members.</p> <p>I look forward to working together! Linda</p>	<p>October 9: Connie Trigger Floral Wreaths using the fuse, fold and stitch method 9:30 – 12:30pm</p> <p>October 10: General meeting. Short review of Harvest Quilt Show, the “Price is Right” exercise, Lorraine Doyno-Evans will present the UFO challenge and Show and Share. Open sew 12:30 – 3:30pm. Featherweight gathering will occur during this time.</p> <p>November 8-9: Harvest Quilt Show (set up on November 7)</p> <p>November 13: Block Party from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Details to be announced at the October meeting.</p> <p>November 14: General meeting. Presenter speaking about the Quilts of Valor Program. Open sew 12:30 – 3:30pm. Featherweight gathering will occur during this time.</p> <p>December 11: Block Party from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Making placemats with Sue Irwin.</p> <p>December 12: General meeting, Holiday get together with a cookie party, Show & Share. Program to be announced. December 2025 Circles challenge judging and June 2026 challenge to be announced.</p> <p>January 9, 2026: General meeting via Zoom, preview of Kaitalin Horvath class, and show and share.</p> <p>January 10, 2026: Saturday workshop via Zoom: Magic Spark – Working Intentionally with Stripes with Amy Friend</p> <p>February 12: *TENTATIVE* Workshop with Kaitalin Horvath via Zoom</p> <p>February 13: General meeting via Zoom</p> <p>March 13: Service Day Bring your machine and sew on service projects and pinning and sandwiching quilts. Open sew 12:30 – 3:30pm. Featherweight gathering ‘may’ occur after service projects are</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Winter Weather Policy</p> <p>As winter approaches, if Bethlehem schools are closed or delayed for 2 hours due to weather, there will be <u>no quilt meeting</u>: If schools are delayed for only 1 hour, the meeting will be held.</p>	completed.
	April 9: Trip to AQS show in Hartford, CT.
	April 10: General meeting. Tara Kordich will present a program on Color Theory. Open sew 12:30 – 3:30pm. Featherweight gathering will occur during this time.
	May 7: Fabric Painting with Sandy Jung from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm
	May 8: General meeting. Program to be determined. Open sew 12:30 – 3:30pm. Featherweight gathering will occur during this time.
	June 12: General meeting and potluck luncheon. June Quilt Challenge judging, and Show & Share. December 2027 challenge announcement.

Board meetings are scheduled November 7, 2025, and January 2, March 6 and May 1, 2026 via Zoom. If you wish to attend but are not a board member, please contact Linda London to receive a Zoom invitation.

President Linda London
1 st . Vice President Sharon Gormley
2 nd .Vice President Anita Paul
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Sue Irwin
Sandy Jung
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Special Events for December & June meeting
Ruth Baker
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Kim Rings
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Membership
Ellen Vande Bunte

Membership renewal for the 2025-2026 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.

Emails including all details of the upcoming monthly meeting are sent the Friday before the meeting from the email address - communications@quiltinc.org. Emails are sent occasionally at other times when contact with membership is needed.

Any questions? Email Membership Chair Ellen Vande Bunte at communications@quiltinc.org.

Q.U.I.L.T., Inc. MEMBERSHIP FORM 2025-2026					
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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 Information and Updates 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.

The Harvest Quilt Show Committee has extended online quilt registration until September 30, 2025. The registration link appears follows:

www.harvestquiltshowny.com
[www.//forms.gle/YM2c4zfRKEXGmDjH8](https://forms.gle/YM2c4zfRKEXGmDjH8)

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.

Vendor Table – Calling all members! We are looking for additional items to sell at our vendor table at the Quilt Show. Thank you to everyone who attended our open sew in May to make items for donation. Thank you to the members who are making items over the summer to donate. I met with Q.U.I.L.T., Inc member Theresa Zoller, and we had our own open sew to make items for donation. We are going to try and schedule another open sew at a later date.

We have a great quilt guild group. Thank you all for helping support our guild. Items made: Christmas stocking gift card holders, Christmas Gift bags, gift card holders, Journaling Bookmarks, Fold, and stitch wallets for gift cards. We have also received pincushions, boxes, wine tote bags and bags.

Harvest Quilt Show Judging Committee is looking for any QUILT Inc members who would be interested in judging quilts at the show.

On Saturday **November 8, 2025** at the quilt show, we are hosting a program to make pillowcases for Ryan for Smiles. There will be sewing machines set up for attendees to make pillowcases to donate to our program. We are looking for donated juvenile themed fabric for our program. Please see requirements below for the pillowcases:

✂ 100% cotton (prewash)

✂ Select cheerful fun patterns: sports, superheroes, princesses, animals, food, trucks, holidays and bold colors

✂ NO skulls, religious themes, glitter, flannel

✂ Cuts: 40.5 x 10.5 inches OR 40.5 x 26.5 inches

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

‘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)

***April 9 Bus Trip to the AQS show in Hartford, CT
April 8-11, 2026***

Sharon Gormley has arranged for a one-day trip to the AQS show in nearby Hartford on April 9th. The cost is \$36 per person for transportation only and a tip for the driver. Cost of admission to the show will be determined by group sales. Payment can be made any time before January 15, 2026. Cash or checks to QUILT, Inc will be accepted at the October, November and December meetings. An option to use the PayPal may be available in the near future.

Reservations are currently being taken for members only and on a first come first serve basis. If seats are available, we will open it up to 'guests' of our members and then to other quilt groups in the area.

The schedule is as follows:

Pick up at Crossgates Mall at 7:30 am with arrival at approximately 9:50 am.

Departure from the show at 4:30 pm with arrival in Albany at approximately 6:45 pm.

Please let Sharon know your interest at communications@quiltinc.org to save your spot on the bus.

***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). The committee is organizing a trip to the AQS show in Hartford, Connecticut on April 9, 2026. The committee is 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.



October 9, 2025: Connie Trigger Floral Wreaths using the Fuse, Fold and Stitch method 9:30 – 12:30pm. *Spaces for this class were limited and registration is full.*

In her half day class, learn to make the 12" X 12" center of a floral wreath wall hanging with Dina Pappas's Fuse, Fold and Stitch method. Upon arrival at the workshop, participants will choose from a selection of floral fabrics in required included kits. The kits will also include interfacing and guides to fabric placement. We will create the wreath portion of the wall hanging in class and talk about fabric choices, ways to complete the project with borders and finishing methods such as quilting or tying on your own.

Supply list: Participants will need to bring their sewing machine, thread, scissors, and rotary cutter. Connie will provide a kit for each participant. Participants will need to provide their own backing fabric.



Placemat Block Party. Join us December 11th to make placemats to be donated. Participants will need to bring their sewing machines, thread, scissors and rotary cutter. Fabric will be provided. Free for members and \$5 for guests. Donations are welcome to help cover the cost of the room.

Workshop	Block Party
Teacher	Sue Irwin
Date	December 11, 2025
Time	9:30 am to 3:30 pm
Registration Deadline	December 1, 2025
Fee	Free for members/ \$5 for guests
Name	
Telephone	
Email address	
Check # and amount	

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!

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 communications@quiltinc.org if you have donation questions. As always, small bills are appreciated when making purchases! Please consider supporting the guild by making purchases at bargain prices! The Mini Mart will be open during all meetings except December, June and those conducted via Zoom.

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

And the results of the Summertime Is..... challenge are:

Traditional:

First Place Ellen Zinni

Second Place Jeanne Frangella

Non-Traditional:

First Place Sandy Jung

Second Place tie Linda London and Sue Jordan





Announcing the December 2025 Quilt Challenge:

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 Wednesday October 1, 2025. Work on your project over the summer and bring to the October 9th 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.

Please add your name to your placemat if you want to have it judged or qualify for a prize for the most made.

Service

Service Chairs Sue Lynch and Anita Paul

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 remember to return any service quilts from our March service day that you worked on over the summer.

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

Comfort Quilts

Sharon Gormley reports that the NICU at AMCH has an abundance of quilts right now and what they really need are comfort quilts.

Comfort Quilts are for adult patients who are passing away. HIPPA regulations prevent a nurse from telling the staff on the floor that their patient is at end state. A comfort quilt is put on their bed to make the patient's room homier and let the staff know to treat the family with compassion and comforting words. The family takes the quilt home after their loved one passes on.

Quilts need to be a minimum of 48 inches square, but there is no restriction on how large.

Sharon is hoping that our members will embrace this new venture as it seems like a very worthwhile and compassionate thing to do. She will still take the NICU quilts that are already made and make sure they go to the NICU. Sharon is always amazed, but shouldn't be by this point, how generous our members are. She appreciates the many hours dedicated to doing charity work.

Sharon can be reached at communications@quiltinc.org with any questions.

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. The library will be open during all meetings except those conducted via Zoom.

Our traditional practice of fines for overdue materials (\$1 per month late, unless renewed) has resumed as of September's meeting (9/2025). 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

In June we decided we wanted to explore the accessories that came with featherweights. To make it useful, we floated the idea to make items for the vendor table at the Harvest Quilt Show.

At next month's Gather, we will demonstrate the quarter inch binding accessory with the idea to use it to make things to sell at the Harvest Quilt show. 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 at communications@quiltinc.org

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

The Innovation Center at the Saratoga is ready to open the Sewing Room to support creativity and skill building in our community. They are currently seeking donations of used sewing machine in good working order to be available to students.

If you have a machine to donate, please contact Eileen at 518-932-2042 or email programming@innovationcentersaratoga.org

The Innovation Center will work with groups to host events. They are always looking for teachers as well.

Out and About for your Calendar

March 25-28, 2026: The Lancaster Quilt Show at Lebanon Valley Expo Center in, Lebanon, PA. Details at: www.thelancasterquiltshow.com

June 18-20, 2026: The Vermont Quilt Show at the Doubletree Expo Center in S. Burlington, VT. Details at www.thevermontquiltshow.com

Two sided quilt seen at QuiltCon in Phoenix, AZ



Has this ever happened to you?

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

