

CONCORD PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD
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Wednesday September 21, 2022 In-Person Meeting
6:45 PM Socializing, 7:15 PM Meeting

Program: – Improv and Abstractions in Antique Quilts—Marge Tucker

Some of our quilting ancestors were ahead of their time! We are not the first generation of quilters to discover improvisational quilting; but we may be the ones who have embraced it and made it mainstream. In this trunk show, Marge displays antique and vintage quilts that are improvisationally constructed. So much inspiration and some great lessons can be learned from these graphic and abstract “antiques.”



From Sally Duscha – Halloween

Is Halloween your favorite holiday? Halloween fabric will be available at the September meeting. \$5 a yard. Make a flag, table topper, goodie bag, or quilt out of Halloween fabric!

The President's Message

Marian Bressel

As fall approaches so does our quilt show! Keep working on finishing your entries. We always have such a nice display of members' work. And let's fill up the boutique with our handmade items. I am busy knitting scrubbies (maybe not so glamorous, but very useful).

Our ZoomBees continue to flourish. Join one or more and meet lots of like-minded people.

Heads up - there may be a new one on the horizon after the quilt show. All are free with your membership and just another example of our wonderfully creative guild.

Nights are getting longer but the crabgrass is not. More time to sew. Hooray for Autumn.

September 2022 Workshop

Carol MacFarlane, Gayle Coit

Unmarked—Contemporary Walking Foot Quilting with Marge Tucker

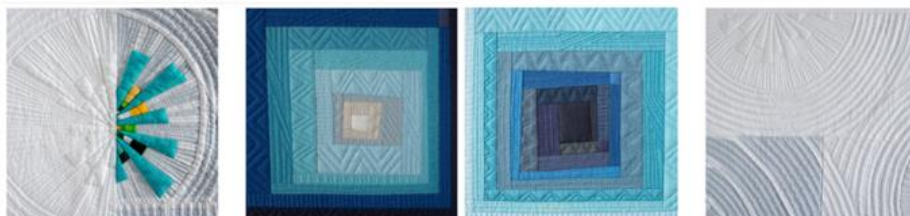
ONLY 3 OPENINGS LEFT!

Saturday, September 24th, 9:00 to 3:30, Congregational Church, Harvard, MA

Fee—\$75, checks made out to Concord Piecemakers

You can do so much innovative quilting JUST with your walking foot! I will show you my method of quilting with your walking foot that involves little or no marking but still results in spectacular quilting.

I start with the basics, such as batting choices, thread, needles and how to secure the quilting stitches. Then, we start quilting with straight lines and move to curved quilting lines and spirals on your practice quilt sandwiches. For both the straight line and curved quilting, I will show you many designs and variations you can use to great effect. I will also have some of my quilts as examples, including "Burst" which received the award Best Machine Quilting (Frameless) at QuiltCon 2019. This class will change the way you think about your walking foot!



CPM Quilt Show - November 4-5, 2022

Joy Sussman, Barbara Weiss, Suzanne Knight, Gayle Coit and Sally Duscha

As the quilt show approaches, finish your quilt, bake and freeze some cookies, bring some books to the meeting that you no longer want, and make something to sell in the boutique.

Please, help spread the word that we are having a fantastic quilt show by sending some postcards, forwarding an email poster, or talking to your friends.

Thanks in advance for all your help.

Scissor Sharpening

Do you need some scissors sharpened? Bring them Thursday, November 3rd, when you drop off your quilt or help set up the show. The Sharpener will be set up in the parking lot for the general public on Friday.

Quilts of Valor

Joan Schwerin will be at the quilt show November 4 & 5 to answer any questions about the Quilts of Valor Program and take quilts you wish to donate. There are specific requirements for these quilts so please check out their website -- <https://www.qovf.org>. 320,927 quilts have been awarded to Servicemen or Veterans to thank them for their service as of September 3, 2022.

Publicity

Donna Morales-Oemig

It's time for placement of bookmarks and other advertising materials so the general public gets word of the show. We'll need people to step up to take items to shops, local libraries, and community bulletin boards. Please think about where you can deliver some of these things in your town and on your local travels and help us advertise our show. More details will be at the meeting.

Membership

Lola Chaisson and Robin DeMott

Welcome to our new quilting year! We have 92 members. We welcome new member Leonie Davis from Lunenburg. The final electronic version of the membership book will be emailed to members on September 20. Booklets will be available at the September 21st meeting for those who want one.

Quilts for Ukraine – Carol MacFarlane and Gayle Coit

Remember the fun we had last Spring arranging the blocks we had made to create quilts destined for Ukraine? Martha Supnik, Carol MacFarlane, Donna Morales-Oemig, Elana Schreiber and Leslie Lowe took our creations home, pieced and quilted the quilts. We will see the great finished reveal at our meeting on September 21st! Having seen a sneak peek – they're awesome!

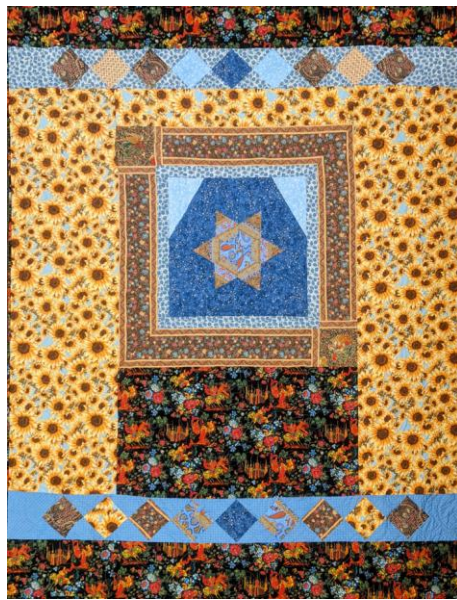
The charity chosen to take our quilts to Ukraine is “Wrap Ukraine with Quilts” sponsored by Hello Cottons. This marvelous group based in Utah is rapidly approaching a 10,000 quilt benchmark shipping quilts to Ukraine! I encourage you to check out their website at <https://hellocottons.com>. If you google “Wrap Ukraine with Quilts”, other links will appear showing positive video press releases from KSLTV.

Each donated quilt may be registered on their website; however, since we have multiple quilts and it is a group effort, our quilts will be registered together giving credit to Concord Piecemakers. After our meeting, they're on their way to Utah!

A huge “Thank You” to all who participated in this effort! It feels wonderful to help those suffering in this senseless war, especially as Winter approaches!

Concord for Ukraine - Lola Chaisson

A quilt made by CPM members is being raffled off by **Concord for Ukraine** to provide hospital beds for civilians. If you see it traveling around the area, say hello and know that you are part of a group that creates smiles through quilting.



Current ZoomBees



Tuesday Project ZoomBee, 1:30 - 3:30 PM

On Tuesday, Sept. 27th, bring your project ideas for us to discuss. We'll decide together what our next project(s) will be.

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Thursday Sit and Sew ZoomBee, 10 AM - 12 noon

Work on whatever project you wish, while checking in and chatting with your friends.

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Friday Mystery ZoomBee, 10:30 - 12 noon

Join your friends with any project until the Mystery Quilt Project begins the end of November.

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Comfort Quilts

Eileen Ryan

Now that it's cooling off, I know you'll be quilting again, so remember the children. I won't be at the meeting, but happy to make special nursery kits for textured black and white mats or check out a Quick Trip kit for a fast and fun 42x48 (or so) kid's quilt.

I am starting to run out of backings, but still have some, and don't want more! I can give you all the batting you need. I can give you tops, batting, and backing to practice everything you learn at walking foot class or on which to practice your free motion or ruler work skills.

I'll be back next week (wed night), so let me know.

Rosie's Place

Katheen Mclsaac

Rosie's place is opening up their donation list a bit. However, still no clothes. If anyone has books left over from their beach reading, let's donate. Here is their request.

Books

Help us keep our community bookshelves full by hosting a book drive. New and like-new books are welcome in any genre or reading level. We appreciate books in a variety of languages and a diversity of perspectives so that everyone can find something they enjoy. *Please no textbooks*

Of course, toiletries are always appreciated.

Is anyone interested in joining me on the Rosie's Team? It would involve picking up donations at the meeting and driving them over to Harrison Ave., Boston every two months. Also, maybe we could come up with creative ways to solicit donations. See me at the next meeting, or give me a call.

Household Goods Sewing Kits

Suzanne Knight and Tina van Roggen

Sewing kit supplies are always welcome. Things that we need....

Sturdy containers (metal, plastic) with lids to hold the supplies, tape measures, scissors (particularly 6" or less, though all sizes are fine. (No pinking shears please), thread*** (any color, partial spools are fine), pins, safety pins, needles, and buttons that you are going to throw away. Also useful are very tiny boxes for pins, and bobbins or small embroidery floss cardboard organizers to wind thread on. ***Partial spools of thread - all types, colors are VERY welcome. Some of the thread only needs enough length to sew on a few buttons or make a hem. Contact Tina or Suzanne if you have any donations. We are delivering up to 45 kits a month, so all donations are appreciated.



September Harvest Moon