

Grand Quilt Guild

Program for 2024-25



Your Program Committee has been busy creating next year's programming. We have an exciting lineup of both in person and virtual speakers.

Thanks to your survey responses, we have a better idea of what you are looking for and are developing workshops around those themes. More to follow.

We will continue to offer the Global Quilt Connections Sampler Platters as they occur.

We are back to offering a monthly program, which will be Scrappy Block/Row by Row/Mystery Quilt.

Brief Review of Survey Results

Participation Rate:

Speakers and Presentations:

81% Prefer In Person

Monthly Activities:

BOM 60%

Bus Trip/Shop Hop 60%

Mystery Quilt 50%

Block or Fabric Exchange 48%

Challenge 26%

Workshops:

88% Prefer In Person

Timing of Workshops:

86% Weekday

19% Weekend Day

September 11, 2024

Sandy Lindal

Sandy's trunk show called "Confessions of a Scrapaholic" will take you through a lighthearted journey of quilting with friends and features approximately 45 quilts. She is currently working on a series of quilts and workshops attempting to modernize old stash. This is a very popular concept with guilds and quilters alike, as we all have too much old stash. Sandy loves to encourage quilters to use up and think about it in a whole new way.

Sandy, a former pattern maker/stylist and clothing manufacturer, found her passion when she discovered quilting. She soon developed her skills into a thriving long-arm quilting business. During covid she collaborated with Valerie Prideaux in organizing 'Quilt Talk', together they delivered a diverse selection of leaders and innovators in the quilting community via Zoom. They covered every topic imaginable as long as it was quilting related.

Sandy is about to launch her second Scrap Sewciety BOM all in an effort to help you win the stash battle. She will have patterns for sale at the meeting.



October 9, 2024

Jean and Neil Cloes from the Quilt Jeannie



Jean began her quilting journey in 2008, starting with rag quilts that ignited a passion of the craft. Over the years, her skills and enthusiasm grew, leading to the opening of their own quilt shop.

Approximately five years ago, Jean introduced her husband Neil to quilting and together they have expanded their expertise and creativity. Their quilt shop has become a beloved community hub, where they share their knowledge, offer a wide selection of fabrics and supplies, and inspire others to explore the art of quilting. Their dedication to the quilting community is evident in every stitch and interaction, making their shop a cherished destination for quilters of all levels.

November 13, 2024

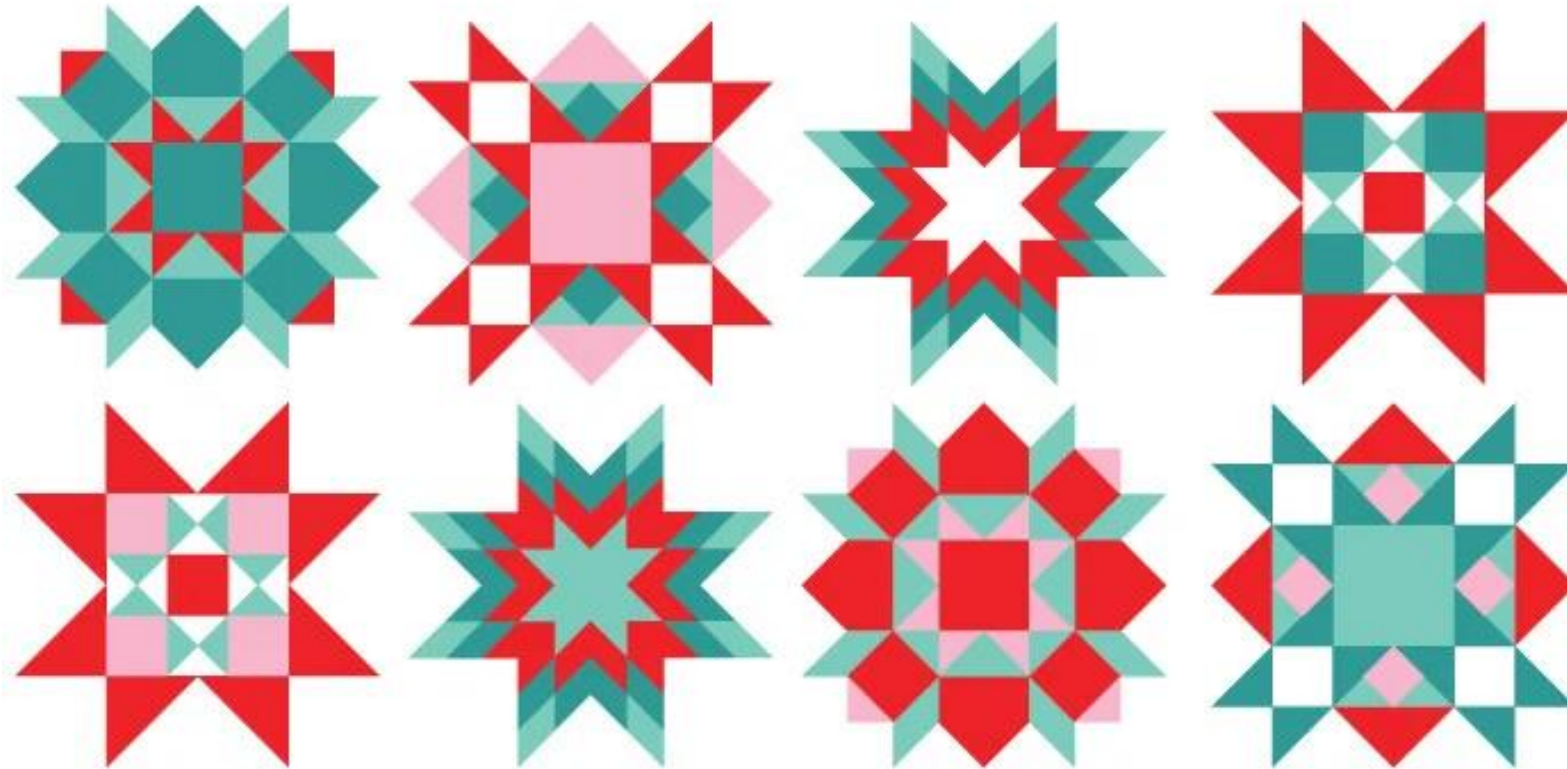
Breanna Gauder

Breanna is a 29-year-old with 22 years of quilting experience, and a passion for combining traditional quilting methods with a fresh modern perspective. As a pattern tester and tech editor she works closely with pattern writers around the world to ensure patterns are at their best before being released to the rest of the quilting world. Be inspired by a multitude of exciting new patterns, and learn about Breanna's methods for choosing colours and getting great quilt photos.



December 14, 2024

Christmas Social and Pot Luck



January 8, 2025

Timna Tarr – Virtual (Zoom Only)



Timna Tarr comes from a long line of quilters but did not begin quilting until after studying art history in college. She bought her first longarm in 2001 and began quilting clients' quilts shortly thereafter. Timna's own nationally award-winning quilts are in private and corporate collections and been seen in exhibits, publications, and on *The Quilt Show* and *Quilting Arts TV*. Timna is a designer for Studio e Fabrics, the author of *Stitched Photo Mosaic Quilting*, and is an in-demand teacher and speaker. She lives in South Hadley, Massachusetts.





February 12, 2025

Dianne Stevenson - Virtual (Zoom Only)

As a 5th generation quilter from Southern Ontario, Dianne cannot remember or imagine life without the warmth of quilts.

Her career as an instructor began in 1976 and has taken her abroad as well as expanded into the presentation of numerous lectures and trunk shows.

With traditional roots and a twist of the unexpected Dianne's extensive research explores our country's history in such classes as "Canadiana in Cloth" and "In Honour Of..." as well as enabling or enables you to make fun projects with her pattern line of "Black Crow Quilt Designs".

With a (warped, playful) sense of humour, Dianne combines her love of Canadian textile history, red wine and ever-changing roles of women; but not necessarily all at the same time. Dianne prefers to "preserve the past and use it as a stepping stone for future possibilities!" She was honoured to be the CQA/ACC Teacher of the Year in 2010 and thrilled to be able to cycle across our magnificent country and explore its diversity of cultures and landscapes in 2011.

She lives in the beautiful Okanagan wine country of the B.C. interior.



March 12, 2025

Dale McMillan

Dale McMillan finds joy in every aspect of life. Her home, that she and her family built in Muskoka, is headquarters for the things she values most: family, friendships, love, hope, laughter, nature, creativity and learning. Dale has always embraced her creativity and has been a quilter for more than 40 years. Dale has finally come to recognize herself as a textile artist in the last 6 years. She will be sharing her passion for quilting, learning and fun in her presentation “Why Quilting? A Not-For-Profit Career.”



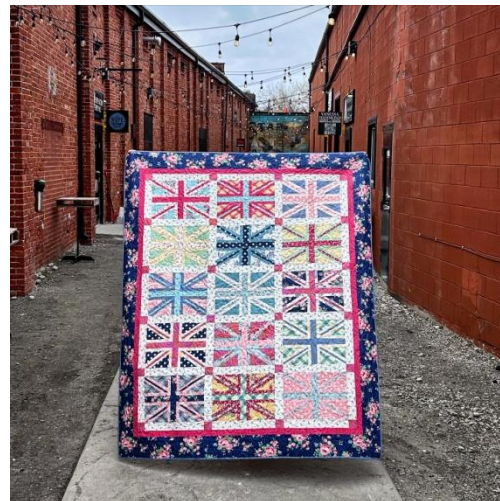


April 9, 2025

Sarah Yetman

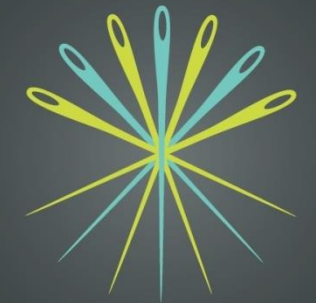
Sarah Yetman is a longarm quilter out of Brantford Ontario who has passion for free motion quilting. From early beginnings on her domestic machine, to running a small longarm business. Spooled Rotten Quilts has grown from longarming for clients

and has expanded to longarm education through Innova dealer "Buy the Bolt". Join us as she shares her journey in the quilting world.



Happy Quilting

Sarah Yetman

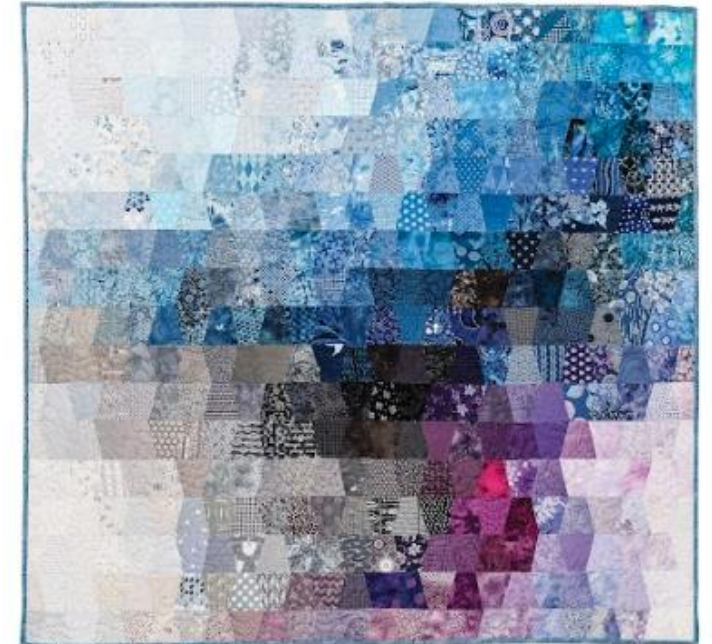


SPOOLED ROTTEN
QUILTS

May 14, 2025

Valerie Prideaux

I am one of those quilters who love to experiment, to try new things. Simple designs give me the freedom to explore and play with colour, and that drives my quilting passion. I had a spark of an idea a few years ago, to make a book based on the simple tumbler block.. and thanks to COVID lockdown, it is done! My ZOOM talk focuses on that simple block and how I play with colour. I show many of the quilts I made, talk about how the designs evolved, and some behind the scenes stories of having a quilt book published.



June 11, 2025

Final Meeting for this Year
and AGM



Workshops

2024-2025

Based on your survey answers, we are exploring the following popular workshop topics and will let you know once we have scheduled some. We also know from the results that most of you want workshops during the day, during the week, but also some during the evening or on Saturdays. We try to offer both options.

- Hand Quilting
- Panels
- Bags
- One Block Wonders
- Wool Applique
- Basic Paper Piecing





Global Quilt Connections ~ Sampler Platters

Our first Sampler Platter will be Sep 28 and 29, 2024. All members will get the invite link. Once more dates are added, we will register our Guild and share with you.

This is a fabulous opportunity for our members to see short, 15 minute presentations from Teachers and Presenters all over the world and you can watch the recordings up to 48 hours after the live events.

Let us know if you see someone the Guild should host!





We welcome feedback from our membership. If you have any suggestions for speakers or workshops, please let us know.

Brenda Dagg, Co-Chair

Marg Wiley, Co-Chair

Millie Cummings

Sharon Neve-Grey

Lorrie Taylor (Virtual)

Katrina Clarke (Virtual)

Sara Tremblay

Fern DeAngelis

Heather Fisher

Mary Davidson