



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow, such a great turn out for the Quilts of Valor community sew time. I was told it's the largest group sew to date with about 23 members participating. Yummy snacks, good laughter, and enjoyable conversations make for a great day. Thank you to those who cut, marked, sewed, and ironed. Fabulous teamwork!

We have 9 quilt tops in process with plans for completion. "Sewcializing" with everyone over the hum of the sewing machines was such a delight.

Separately, just a reminder to please bring your Show and Share projects for the December meeting and something to share for the brunch.

Best regards,
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QCNY Membership Meeting Registration OPEN NOW!

Please visit: <https://qcnys.org/meetingregistration/>

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 Meeting Starts at 10:30AM (you can login to zoom at 10am)

To attend, please register by November 30th. Enter your name, Wiltwyck Quilters Guild, email address, and check the box for zoom meeting and "I'm not a robot". Click submit and you're all set. If attending by zoom, the meeting is free. The link will be emailed to you a couple days prior to the meeting.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Please send all articles to be placed in the newsletter by the Friday following the meeting. This will give me time to get the newsletter done before the deadline. Either send your article via email to jf.wiltwyckguildnewsletter@gmail.com or snailmail it to me at **J. Ferrara, 165 Lily Lake Road, Highland, NY 12528**. Please use a universal format, or write directly into your email.

PROGRAM NEWS 2023-2024

All programs are offered by Zoom unless stated otherwise. ***As a reminder, please send your checks to me at PO Box 117, Tillson, NY 12486 but make the checks payable to Wiltwyck Quilters Guild!***

Email Carolyn Boice at <TiggerTurtle313@msn.com> with any questions.

We want to thank everyone who was able to come and participate in our community sew. It was a terrific time and we missed those that couldn't join. We had 23 members sewing, ironing and cutting and the group is working hard to finish those tops. On another note I brought home the remaining fabric and separated out the larger pieces to put together for pieced backings while the smaller pieces and already cut squares (we had tons, thank you everyone) I cut/packed to create kits. *If anyone is interested on piecing one please let me know and I will get it to you.* In the near future we will be looking for volunteers to quilt and bind these pieces as well so if you have an interest in either of those jobs you can let Connie B or me know.

SAT DEC 16, 2023 -- IN PERSON December Brunch –As a special treat, we will have a member led presentation at our December brunch. I am very excited about this. I hope we will have lots of members able to join us and support our fellow member as she presents. I will have a sign up sheet at the November meeting so we can get an idea of attendance and after the meeting I will have Jackie send out an eblast so you can let me know if you are coming. As a reminder please email me at <TiggerTurtle313@msn.com> to advise me you are coming.

SAT JAN 20, 2024—ZOOM -- Every Last Crumb, An Adventure in Scrap Quilting with Brita Nelson This is a fun, informative and inspirational trek to find the best way to handle a mountain of left-over fabric. Brita said she had over 30 years worth of accumulated scraps which threatened to take over her sewing room and consume her. She had to do something. Some of you may have the same problem. Here is how she managed to save herself and actually make some room in her fabric closet. With over two dozen quilts and projects, Brita will demonstrate some great ways to use that secret treasure hiding in your house. She will also cover basic color and contrast principles to make your scrap beauties really shine.

The Questioning Quilter – Information for Quilters with Questions



PROGRAM NEWS 2023-2024, continued

ZOOM WORKSHOP -- "*Crumbs to Quilts*" a 4-hour workshop (1230-430) where you will learn how to turn the tiniest scraps into a beautiful, quilt. Have you ever thought about making your own fabric? In this class we will discuss tint, tone, shade, value and scale to take your tiniest scraps and turn them into one-of-a-kind textiles. My simple, organized method for assembling your curated crumbs results in fabric that is part planned, part free-form and totally fun! We will use this new fabric to make a simple tulip block, but once you master this technique, there is no limit to what you can create. Workshop \$30 members/\$35 non-members.

SAT FEB 10, 2024—ZOOM --*Traditional, Art, Modern – Notes from the Field with Maria Shell* Interested in the current state of affairs in the larger quilt world? Join Maria for this fun and informative lecture that is a combination of Gonzo Journalism, humorous memoir, and history in the making. Maria will share her personal journey along with interesting moments in all three quilt genres. What does it mean to be a 21ST Century Quilter? Come to the lecture to find out. - Maria Shell

WORKSHOP PART 1 (12:30-03:30) – ZOOM -- *Riffing on Tradition – Exploring Design Elements with Quilt Blocks* Using the traditional quilt block as a foundation for our art, we will explore new territory in making contemporary quilts. We will take simple traditional quilt blocks and blow them up, repeat them, distort them, and in the end create fabulous new compositions. Workshop \$45 members/\$50 non-members.

SAT FEB 17, 2024—**WORKSHOP PART 2** (12:30-03:30) -- ZOOM -- *Riffing on Tradition* continued

SAT MAR 16, 2024—ZOOM – *Teresa Duryea Wong will present her Sewing and Survival – Native American Quilts from 1880-2022.* Teresa besides being a quilter is and author and historian and will bring us another look into quilt history. Teresa Duryea Wong – Author

NO WORKSHOP

SAT APR 20, 2024 -- IN PERSON - Member led workshops – looking for volunteers!

SAT MAY 11, 2024 -- IN PERSON - ***This is a new date! The church was no longer available on the 18th so if you already marked your calendars please change the date so you do not miss.*** Member led workshops – looking for volunteers!

SAT JUNE 15, 2024 – IN PERSON – activity TBD

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MINIATURE HISTORICAL QUILT GROUP

The next meeting of the Miniature Historical Quilt Group will be Saturday, December 9th on Zoom. The meeting will open at 9:45 am for socialization and presentation will begin at 10:00 am. The topic for December is Mrs. Claus, the woman behind the legend and her ties to the suffragist movement. The miniature quilt is a Christmas quilt of your choice. Let's see your creativity shine!

Tentative schedule for 2024

January—a white slave in the pre-Civil War and Civil War era
Quilt—Civil War Baskets (in Remembering Adelia. Let me know if you need the pattern)

February—a woman who brought an artist to the public light and created his fame
Quilt—TBA

March—the Pied Piper Project
Quilt—TBA

April—Women of the Hudson Valley
Quilt—Medallion Quilt in AD

As always, if you would like to do a presentation please let me know and I would be glad to change the schedule around. I always felt this group should be just that - a group effort.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

If you are interested in seeing what the guild is planning at our board meetings, go to the "Members Only" section of our website to read the minutes of the meeting.
Sarah



Dagmar Yadow has volunteered to be the Sunshine Chairperson. If you know of a member who has lost someone in the family, or who has achieved something worthy of congratulations, or who has passed away, please notify Dagmar and she will send a card or reach out. You can reach her at: <dyadow@aol.com> or phone 845 876-2127

The Wiltwyck Quilters' Guild currently has a display of miniature and small quilts at the Highland Public Library in Highland NY .

The exhibit title is: ***Tiny Delights: Small and Miniature Quilts by Members of the Wiltwyck Quilters Guild.***

The exhibit is on display from November 9, 2023 through early January, 2024.

The library is located at 14 Elting Place, Highland, NY 12538. For information about library hours and directions please visit <https://highlandlibrary.org/contact-us/>

The exhibit is on display in the library gallery which is also the library meeting room. When the room is closed library visitors can ask library staff to unlock the door to go in to view the display.

In addition to the exhibit the Wiltwyck Quilters Guild will do two sit and sew programs at the library on Saturday November 18 and ***Saturday December 2.*** The programs will start at 12 noon and end at 4 pm. These programs are free and open to the public.

If you wish to participate in either one or both please let me know. I need to let the library know how many tables are needed. You can bring handwork or a sewing machine to work with.

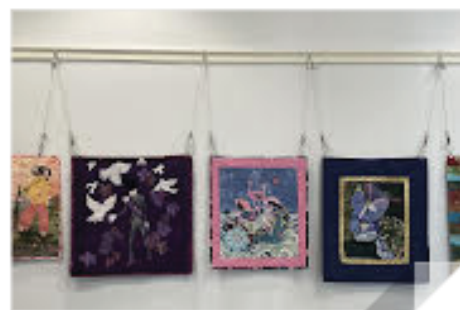
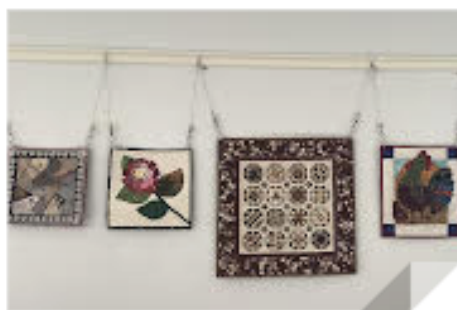
I want to thank the following Wiltwyck Quilters Guild members for lending their quilts:

Pat Clark
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Kathleen Grambling

Sarah Kessernich
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Shirley Swenson
Anna Wang

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Jackie Sittner renewed her membership. Here are her details:

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