



# PINE TREE QUILTERS' GUILD OF MUSKOKA

April 2024

## President's Message

We will soon be back together in person, after one of the mildest winters I can recall. Show and Share was deferred at our March meeting, so please remember to bring your works from February and March with you to share at our next meeting.



It's been wonderful learning together over Zoom over the past three months. The modern group has featured an artist each month, and I loved seeing Bill and Weeks bring modern quilting to the entire Guild in March. Julie's foundation paper piecing workshop allowed many of us to learn a new technique, which can be applied to both modern and traditional quilting, and you can see the results of my work illustrating this column.

I was also pleased to see Julie at last week's judging school, where she shared many of her beautiful quilts as part of our practice judging work. Sherry also made the drive north, and both she and Julie represented our Guild well among the current and prospective Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies judges.

At our next meeting I am looking forward to Mary's workshop in the morning, and then our afternoon presentation by Tracey Lawko. I was first introduced to thread painting in a workshop presented by Dale during the pandemic, and I am anticipating a great session of learning with Tracey, whose work features amazing natural realism.

## MONTH AT A GLANCE

Thursday, April 4 @ 1:00 p.m.

- Modern Group Meeting on *Zoom*

Tuesday, April 9 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Guild Executive Meeting on *Google Meet*

Thursday, April 11 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Member-led Workshop @ Bracebridge Memorial Arena

Thursday, April 11 @ 1:00 p.m.

- Member's Meeting on @ Bracebridge Memorial Arena

Thursday, April 18 @ 10:00 a.m.

- Quilt Artists @ Baysville Senior Centre

See you all on April 11th!

Terry W.

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### Openings on the Executive for the 2024-25 Guild Year

Our Nomination Committee members are pleased to have successfully recruited individuals to take on the roles of **Workshop, Membership** and **Webmaster** for the 2024-25 Guild Year. We are still actively looking for members interested in taking on the roles of **Vice President** or **Hospitality**.



Once elected at our Annual General Meeting held in June, these individuals will be a part of the Pine Tree Quilters' Guild's Executive. Each role has assigned duties which are described in detail in our guild's Roles and Responsibility document. Our out-going members of the executive will assist in the training of new members of the executive.

Openings are as follows:

#### **VICE PRESIDENT**

**The role of the Vice President is to assist and/or replace the president as necessary.**

This role has a minimum of a three-year commitment, as the person will transition from Vice President to President then to Past President.

#### **WEBMASTER**

**The webmaster is accountable for oversight and updating:**

PTQG Website: <http://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/>

PTQG FLICKR Site: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/134719553@N03/albums>

**Skills Needed:** Must be comfortable with computers and have a working knowledge of Google and Gmail. The knowledge is readily acquired if the webmaster is comfortable with technology and enjoys researching answers to questions.

**WORKSHOP COMMITTEE** – Person would work with our present Workshop Committee Member

**The role of the workshop committee is to co-ordinate a workshop with guest teachers who also provide a trunk show/lecture at a Guild meeting, working together with the program committee. As well, they would be responsible for booking and organizing Virtual Member-led workshops.**

***Skills Needed:*** Should be comfortable sending and receiving emails. Needs to have an interest in working alongside with the Program Committee.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

**The role of the Membership committee is to manage all aspects of the member registration process.**

**Responsibilities include:**

- \* Registration for Members and Guests
- \* Creating Members' Lists
- \* Communication with members of the executive, and membership
- \* Data Collection
- \* Name Tags

***Skills Needed:*** Should be comfortable using technology and show a willingness to learn how to create registration forms and reports.

**SOCIAL/HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE**

**The role of the Social/Hospitality Committee is to ensure that refreshments are provided for Guild members and guests at each Guild meeting. This committee member is responsible for finding someone to do Sunshine, which is to send cards, gifts, or flowers to members.**

If interested in joining our executive team, please don't hesitate to contact our Past President, who is also chairing the Nomination Committee. Her contact information is available on the Members' Only portion of our website.

**Suzanne B.-R.**

## Program News

### April is a busy month!

Design As You Go Workshop with Mary W.

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Cost: \$10.00

Register: [On the Guild Website](#)

Location: [In Person](#) at the Bracebridge Arena

Are you someone who loves colour and loves to play? Then this workshop is for you. There is no pattern necessary! By the end, you will have the background for a cushion cover or a wall hanging...or the inspiration for a larger project.



Start searching your stash for this project! You will need 100 - 2 1/2" squares from 7 different fabrics to make a 20" X20" pillow.

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On **Thursday April 11th** – 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. [In Person](#) at the Bracebridge Arena **Tracey Lawko - “Sources of Inspiration”**

<https://www.traceylawko.com/>



Tracey is an award winning textile artist, quilter, longarmer and embroiderer. Her art is drawn with thread and depicts realistic landscapes and sculptures that reflect the natural world near her home and studio in Southern Ontario.



**Show and Share** – Bring your quilts to this Members' Meeting for Show and Share please!!!

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***The Global Quilt Connections Sample Platter Event***

*Saturday and Sunday April 13th & 14th  
3:00 to 6:30 pm daily & access to the recording for 48 hours*

*Members will receive the link a couple of days before the event.*

Here is the lineup for each day:

**April 13, 2024  
Saturday 3:00 – 6:00 pm eastern**

**Karen Bolan Precision – How to Cut Curves with a Straight Ruler**  
**Ana Buzzalino – Sheer Elegance: Text on Translucent Fabrics**  
**Tina Craig – Tina's Wonder Window for Fussy Cutting Any Shape for English Paper Piecing**  
**Cathy Perlmutter – Turned Edge Piecing for Cityscape Quilts**  
**Gunnel Hag – Create Your Own Fabric – Easy Stencils**  
**Andi Stanfield – Stretch Those Blocks with HRTs**  
**Rachel Derstine – Keep It Simple, but Pack a Punch**  
**Diane Harris – Build a Scrap Quilt: Brick by Brick**  
**Kestrel Michaud – Kestrel's Total Fray Elimination Technique**

**April 14, 2024  
Sunday 3:00 – 6:30 pm eastern**

**Carol Wilholt – Lessons from a Potholder**  
**Lisa Thorpe – Printing Palozza: A Sampler of Fabric Printing Techniques**  
**Pattie Klimek – How to Debone a Shirt in 5 minutes**  
**Jenny Kae Parks – Create Classics Using Your Scraps**  
**Scarlett Rose – Bias and Beyond: Classic to Modern**  
**Laureen Smith – Elevate Your Fusible Applique!**  
**Claudia Squio – Make Fabric Boxes Without Sewing Using Cartonnage Technique**  
**Margaret Willingham – Create & Make Mini Medallion**  
**Cindy Grisdela – Fearless Improv Curves**





## Workshop

### Scraptastic Quilted Cards with David Owen Hastings

**Thursday, April 25, 2024**  
**1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Eastern Time**  
**Cost \$55.00 Canadian**  
**Maximum 30 Participants**

**This is a members only workshop.**

**Grab a handful of fabric scraps, and let's make some art!** Your scrap bin is a great and underused resource! It's often full of beautiful fabrics, but in very small amounts. Sometimes it contains mistakes that we would rather toss into the scrap bin than unpick. It's time to dive in and make something beautiful from those off-cuts and whoopsies. Using just a few pieces of fabric pulled from scraps, we will machine sew a mini series of modern art cards. We'll explore colour, scale of print, value, and texture... and maybe come up with some surprising combinations!



Gather all the supplies and be ready to work near your computer. A desktop or laptop computer will give you the best experience. A good task light is nice, to help both light you and your work so you can share on camera.

Please do sign in a few minutes early: we will start promptly at **1:00 pm Eastern Time**. Please double-check the start time if you live in a different time zone. The workshop is 3 hours. We will take a break midway.

**This is a live Zoom event and will not be recorded.**

**Please register using the link below:**

**<https://forms.gle/8kvdpHCoLjBn6fKTA>**

Check out David's website at: <https://davidowenhastings.com/>

From your enthusiastic Program Committee

**Pat W., Donna N. & Dale M.**

## Outreach

### *Do you need batting or backing to finish an Outreach quilt???*

Outreach has been very fortunate to have received several large donations of materials from our Guild members who are downsizing their stash. For us that means that we can offer to supply you with batting and backing if needed.



So.....please let me know if you need one or the other for quilts that you have pieced and will be donating to Outreach. You may bring your quilt top to one of our in-person meetings or you can email a photo to me so that I can match it with a complementary backing material. Please include the measurements of your quilt top when sending me your photo by email and I will get the batting and/or backing to you.

Looking forward to seeing you on April 11th!

**Joanne R.**

## Library Update and “Fire Sale”

The work to dismantle our library cart has continued. We set aside some books for the Modern group which will be housed in Baysville. We also set aside books for the Bracebridge and Gravenhurst Public Libraries and hopefully they will be able to incorporate them into their collections.

The rest of the books are now sorted into categories to make your shopping experience better. Categories include topics such as Techniques, Patterns, Applique, Celtic, Paper Piecing, Miniatures, Children/Baby Quilts and so on. LCBO boxes hold books upright to make it easy to look through them.



So when you come to the April or May meetings, come prepared to shop (payment by cash, e-transfer or IOU!). All proceeds will go to our Guild.

Any questions? Email me [treasurer@ptqgom.com](mailto:treasurer@ptqgom.com) or give me a call (705) 644-7604

**Jan McD**

## Quilt Artists of Muskoka

There is no longer a wait list for Quilt Artists of Muskoka. Their play dates are the third Thursday of the month, 10 am to 2 pm, at the Baysville Senior Centre. If you wish to be included on the email list contact Dale M.



**Joanne K.**

## Modern Group



The Modern Group meets the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. The April meeting will be on *Zoom*. The May, June, September and October meetings will be at Bracebridge United Church. Please bring a toonie to the meeting to help pay for the room rental.

**Wendy W.**

## Hospitality

**VOLUNTEER BAKERS NEEDED!** for the April and May meetings. We still need 2 additional volunteers for April and 4 more for the May meeting. Please call or e-mail Lynda G. if you are able to bring goodies for either of those meetings. A sign-up sheet will be available at the April meeting for baking donations for May. Members will be called 1 week before the meeting as a reminder.

Special thanks to Halina D., Lynne F., and Mary W. who have already volunteered for April and Ardith S. for May.



Please remember to bring your own mug – that way you don't have to pay 25 cents for the 'pleasure' of drinking out of a Styrofoam or paper cup ☺

Also, just a reminder that Heather M. is our Sunshine rep, so if you know of a member who would benefit from a friendly call or card, please contact Heather (See the member's list for Heather's telephone number).

**Lynda G.**



## Website News



Over the past month the Website has had changes, additions, and many updates. A few additions are the Outreach and 2023 Quilt Show sections.

Everything that is underlined here can be clicked on to take you to the Guild website

[Check out the Website](#)

### **Membership and Executive Lists:**

The Membership and Executive Lists are in the 'Members Only' section of the website. If you have forgotten the password to the 'Members Only' section – check your email that sent this newsletter.



<https://www.pinetreequiltersguildofmuskoka.com/members-only/>

**Guild Meeting:** [2023 10 12 Guild Meeting Pictures](#)

**Guild Activities:** [Outreach 2023](#)

**Program:** [October 2023 Guild Meeting Photos](#)

[Speaker Lineup 2023-24](#)

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**Quilt Artists:** [In Person Meeting February 15, 2024 Photos](#)

[Idea for Denim Quilts](#)

**Modern Group:** [March 7, 2024 Minutes](#)

[March 7, 2024 Photos](#)

**Creative Cards:**

Check out our new section for the link to [Creative Thank You Cards](#) that have been created by Guild Members and or Creative Artist's and sent to the Guild.

**Want Ads:** Updates to [Want Ads](#) in Member Section

**Other Guilds:** [Click Here](#)

**Pam R.**

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