



# Bits and Pieces Newsletter

Quilters Guild of Indianapolis January 2023

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year 2023! I know many of you but not all of you. I am looking forward to meeting you and getting to know more about you and your quilting projects this year!

I just received the yearend report from charity quilts. WOW! Did you know that in 2022 QGI donated over 1200 quilts and over 750 pillowcases to 17 different groups as well as over 100 pet beds? Dallas Reed and Mary Strinka lead the charity quilt groups in 2022 and will continue to do so in 2023. And MANY members have contributed to charity quilts in various ways. Think about the tremendous impact your work has on the community. Thank you to everyone involved!

QGI is incredible because of you, our members! Thanks for all that you do for QGI!

There are many ways to get involved in 2023. Let me know if you would like to volunteer your time and talents to help with one of the following open positions: QGIN co-leader, 2024 Quilt Show co-chair, media, preemie quilts, fall retreat, logo/pins, advertising.

January Meetings:

**QGIN:** Friday, January 6 at 1PM (**via Zoom only**) Find the Zoom meeting information on the QGI website under the Members tab, Forum, QGI Zoom Meeting Links. Lori DeJarnatt, from Humble Quilts, will be speaking about small quilts.

**General QGI meeting:** Thursday, January 12 at 7PM (at Orchard Park Church or via Zoom). Note we will be meeting in the North Chapel at Orchard Park Church. Enter the doors under the portico and follow the signs to the North Chapel (to the left after you enter). The North Chapel will be set up with chairs only and additional portable lighting. Julie Silber will present her program 'Mark My Words'.

**QGIS:** Thursday, January 26 at 10:30AM at Friedens United Church of Christ. There will be a fun program of games, trivia, and prizes. Looking forward to future meetings in person and via Zoom.

Check the following pages for more detailed information on the upcoming guild meetings.

I am looking forward to a terrific year with QGI including inspiring programs/speakers, beautiful show and tell from you, fun and productive quilting retreats, our Whispers quilt project, workshops/classes to learn new skills, doing a unique block of the month project shared by Maureen at the January QGI meeting, and getting to know more about many of you!

Betsy LaBell, 2023 President



## QUILT GUILD HOLIDAY EVENT - DECEMBER 2

We sang Happy Birthday to those with December birthdays.

Added Quilt Show presentations:

- Quilt Show Viewer's Choice was awarded to Lynn Thomas and Marilyn Jarrett (Lynn's mom) for the "Americana Sampler" #4201. Marilyn started it many years ago and Lynn finished it recently.
- Challenge Quilt Viewers Choice was awarded to "World Change" by Barb Triscari
- Opportunity Quilt Drawing
  1. Katia Strinka (Mary's daughter chose the quilt made by Mary)
  2. Jacqui Griswold received the quilt "Winter Snow"
- 22 Special Show Ribbons were awarded by Elizabeth Braun - the 2022 Show Committee Ribbon maker—, for quilts which featured the colors of the quilt show: royal blue, moss green, and white
- The Quilt Show financial summary will be available at the January meeting.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chris Hurley (Quilts of Valor Indiana coordinator) received 192 blocks for the Quilts of Valor over the past year. Each time you donate a block your name is entered. There are approximately 12 blocks/quilt so 17 quilts were made with the donated blocks for veterans in Central Indiana. Chris gave a donated queen quilt kit to Betsy LaBell who had the lucky number chosen between 1 and 192.
- **MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Sat. February 4th** will be a Quilt of Valor sewing work day at the Noblesville VFW at 654 S. 9<sup>th</sup> St, Noblesville (smoke-free). There will be a lunch pitch in. Chris is collecting blocks for future quilts. See the QOV website for patterns. (Before you turn in a block, put your name on a back seam.)
- **2023 Dues can now be paid to Joyce Blakely with a \$30 check made out to QGI and given to her at meetings or mailed to her. If you pay through the website, it is \$32 (\$2 convenience fee). Members will lose their access to the members only part of website Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 if membership is not renewed.**
- See the newsletter for instructions on the thank-you blocks for Maureen (6.5" unfinished) and the Quilt Show co-chairs (9.5" unfinished). Please sign the front of your blocks. They can be turned into Betsy LaBell at meetings or mailed to her.
- We did Show and Tell of Christmas themed quilts (pictures on following pages).
- QGIN
  - Will be Zoom only in January. Meeting is Friday, January 6 at 1pm. Meeting zoom link on our website ([quiltguildindy.net](http://quiltguildindy.net)) under Members, Forum, Meeting Links.
  - February speaker is Alice Ridge who will present a lecture on Feb. 3rd. There will also be a workshop at the Zionsville Town Center on Saturday Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> details to be announced. See following pages for details.
  - March date may change since many people will be attending the Bloomington Quilt Show

We had 68 members and 4 guests who enjoyed a wonderful lunch of sandwiches and drinks provided by the guild and lots of yummy sides dishes contributed by members

We played a challenging Match game compiled by Pam Durant that involved matching famous quilters with their unknown/unique traits. One quilter has webbed toes! We then played Left Right Center with our 5" holiday blocks.

Here are pictures of the fun!





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## 2023 QGI EVENING MEETING PROGRAMS

Month	Date	Speaker	Topic	Website
January	Jan 12	Julie Silber	Mark My Words	<a href="https://juliesilberquilts.com/">https://juliesilberquilts.com/</a>
February	Feb 9	Jenny Bowker	Pack and Follow	<a href="http://www.jennybowker.com/">http://www.jennybowker.com/</a>
March	March 9	Sara Goer	Rules and Options of Planned Improv Piecing	<a href="https://www.sarahgoerquilts.com/">https://www.sarahgoerquilts.com/</a>
April	April 13	Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentr	Pixels and Pizzazz	<a href="https://bryerpatch.com/">https://bryerpatch.com/</a>
May	May 11	TBD		
June	June 8	Lorrie Craner	Computers, Quilts and Privacy	
July	July 13	Katie Fowler	Navigating Creative Wonderland	<a href="https://www.katiefowler.net/">https://www.katiefowler.net/</a>
August	Aug 10	TBD		
September	Sept 14	Annie Unrein	Weekend Projects and Quick Gifts	<a href="https://www.byannie.com/">https://www.byannie.com/</a>
October	Oct 12	Small Quilt Auction	<i>(in person only)</i>	
November	Nov 9	Jennifer Houlden	Creating Contrast in Your Quilts, Adding the WOW Factor	<a href="https://quiltsbyjen.ca/">https://quiltsbyjen.ca/</a>
December	Dec 1	Guild Holiday Party	<i>(in person only)</i>	

### 2023 QGI Dues are DUE!

In order to continue the fun of guild meetings and workshops, it is time to pay your 2023 QGI membership dues. **To ensure your access to zoom meetings and workshops after January 2023 you need to pay your dues by January 26, 2023.**

You can do it easily in one of the following ways:

1. You can pay with \$30 cash or a check made out to QGI at an in-person January meeting.
2. **For current members:** Go to our website ([quiltguildindy.net](http://quiltguildindy.net)) and click on the button **“Current Members - Pay 2023 Dues.”** Follow the directions to pay your dues using a credit card. Dues are \$30 plus a \$2 processing fee.
3. **Current members** may pay by sending a check for \$30 (there is no processing fee) made out to QGI and mailing it to:

Joyce Blakely  
QGI Vice President  
6344 Stratford Drive N.  
Fishers, IN 46038-1784

## January 12, 2023 Speaker: Julie Silber, 'Mark My Words'

<https://juliesilberquilts.com/>

Women have always found ways to incorporate the written word into their quilts. We'll look at lots of 19th and 20th century quilts, and the varied ways that text appears ... some of them quite ingenious!



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## February 9, 2023 Speaker: Jenny Bowker, 'Pack and Follow'

<http://www.jennybowker.com/quilts>

Jenny Bowker has been working in Textiles since 1997 - from the time she finished a Bachelor of Arts Degree (Visual) and decided to make just one quilt.

Her background - life before quilts - was in science. She is moving towards a melding of her fine art work and her textile work. She is interested in the way patterns come into many parts of our lives and often includes some geometrical piecing in her work as she thinks it keeps her technically on her toes and provides a key for traditional quilters to link to her work.



She has four children and a very supportive husband who worked as a diplomat for the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. While following him she lived for a total of fifteen years in Arab and Islamic countries. This might seem irrelevant to quilting, but has influenced her subject matter and much of her work reflects her love of the Middle East. I have lived in Syria, Western Samoa, Malaysia, Jordan, Jerusalem and Egypt.

She teaches and really enjoys it. There is no greater delight than to offer tools to a quilter who wants to make original work but doesn't know how to access her own ideas.





## Let's Get 2023 Started with a Bang! By Pam Durant

The theme for QGIN in 2023 is Exceed Expectations. How can we accomplish this? Well on January 6th, you can begin to do this from the privacy of your own home. Our first meeting will be by **ZOOM ONLY**, so no one has to worry about fighting the elements in early January. I don't know if it will be brutally cold then like it is as I am writing this, but why take the chance?

Our speaker is **Lori DeJarnatt**, a quilter from central Oregon who loves antique and vintage quilts. Sometimes she takes an old quilt and figures out how to make another just like it. Over the years she has participated in plenty of online quilt a longs and swaps. Her lecture is titled: **It's a Small Quilt After All: The Allure of Little Quilts**.

If you want to learn more about her, go to her website **Humble Quilts**. On a sidebar she often has quilting books for sale which support her charity work. Her blog recounts a recent trip to Guatemala.

I've written about other upcoming meetings in the December Bits and Pieces, and will let you know as more unfolds and we can set details for each month as the year unfolds. We have a great year planned, and hope to see you often.



### QGIN 2023 Schedule

Date	Speaker	Topic	Type
Jan 6, 2023	<b>Lori DeJarnatt</b>	<b>It's a Small Quilt After All: The Allure of Little Quilts</b>	Zoom
Feb 3, 2023	<b>Alice Ridge</b>	<b>Quilt Outside the Box</b>	Z & L
Feb 4, 2023	Alice Ridge	Workshop-Mini Molasses: \$45 includes kit.	Live
March , 2023	No Meeting!	Visit Heritage Quilt Show in Bloomington	Live
March/April date TBD	<b>Becky Magnus</b>	<b>Trunk Show of My Treasured Quilts</b>	Z & L
April 8, 2023	Pam and Maureen	Workshop-Seaglass	Live
May 5, 2023	Brandy Maslowski	From Firefighter to Fiber Artist	Zoom

## QGIN Workshops

A great way QGIN will exceed expectations is by having at least two (and more details on others) workshops in 2023. Right now the workshops are scheduled on the first Saturday of the month following our meeting, but this could change for some workshops in the future depending on site availability and member flexibility

**Workshops Location:** The Zionsville Town Hall is a **new venue** for workshops. We will meet at 1100 W. Oak St., Room 207 (2nd Floor, elevator available) in Zionsville. Plan on arriving about 9am, with the workshops beginning at 9:30am. Lunch? You can bring your own, or make a run to many nearby restaurants. McDonalds, Subway and Starbucks are within walking distance of Town Hall. Papa John's Pizza and Rice Cooker are also nearby.

## February 4<sup>th</sup> Workshop: Mock Molas by Alice Ridge **CORRECTION**

To sign up click on Events on the opening page of our website ([quiltguildindy.net](http://quiltguildindy.net)) click on Events, then Workshops. Cost: **\$45** for this half day (plus) class, **includes the kit fee** with everything you need for the class. You will learn Alice's special technique with her unique combination of felt, flannel, and thread work. This is a handwork class, no machine required. Bring a small pair of scissors that are sharp right to the tip of the blades.

Alice will bring a wide variety of her Mock Molas for you to make a great gift, or something for yourself. She will be with us for four hours to give us a good start, but we have the room until 4 pm, so we can keep sewing and visiting (and encouraging) with each other all afternoon.

***Please sign up as soon as possible, so we can make this happen.***

## April 8<sup>th</sup> Workshop: Sea Glass by Pam Durant and Maureen Weflen

Sign up now through the Events, Workshops section of our QGI website. Cost: **\$20**. Start thinking about the beach you want to create and start collecting possible fabric from your stash and even pick up an odd fat quarter between now and then. Fabric choices? Think batiks, and other soft colors (**see Sea Glass handout included with your registration**). Totally up to you, since you're the one combing the beach and picking up little chunks of glass.

The glass? Little squares of pastels in your chosen colors. Plan on bringing extra to trade with others and any leftover bits of fabric with fusible on the back you are willing to share.

The Sand? It is easy to just think of sand as beige. Real beaches come in a wide variety of colors. Maureen has a collection of white/tan (Normandy, France), black (Iceland), light orange (Sahara, Tunisia), red orange (Namibia, Africa), and grey (Bali). Sand is also light green (Hawaii), bright white (Clearwater Beach), yellow-orange (Porto Ferro), pink (Bahamas), and even purple (Pfeiffer State Beach). Sand's color comes from its mineralogy or the physical structure of the crystals that dominate the sand. <https://www.travelchannel.com/interests/beaches/photos/unusually-colored-beaches>

A supply list will be emailed to you after registration. A handout on the history of sea glass will also be provided. Plan on bringing your sewing machine in working order, and get a small project going. We'll have a great day (9-4) in Zionsville.

### **First QGI South Meeting in 2023**

**Thursday, January 26, 2023, 10:30am to 12:30pm**

Friedens United Church of Christ, 8300 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN

**Come for the Meet and Greet at 10:15**

**We will have a short meeting followed by games and prizes courtesy of Dallas Reed. More information on future meetings in the next Jenny Quilter.**

**Thank you, Leanne Anderson & Karen Nealis for stepping up to chair QGIS!**



## Thank you blocks for Marcia Hackett and Nancy Trullinger

As a small thank you to Marcia and Nancy, our amazing 2022 QGI Quilting at the Crossroads Quilt Show co-chairs, please make a 9" finished (9.5" unfinished) block for each of them. You get to decide what block you would like to make for each of them. Blocks should represent something about you or your style. Both Marcia and Nancy would like you to use the 2022 quilt show colors: royal blue, green, and white.

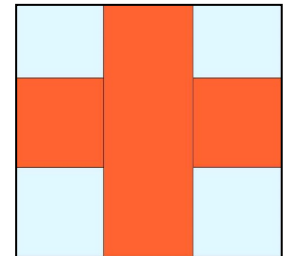
Let's get busy and overwhelm them with thank you blocks. Please turn them in to Betsy LaBell or Maureen Weflen at a meeting by January 2023. Or blocks can be mailed to Betsy LaBell - my address is in the Member Section of the guild website.

## Thank You Block for Maureen Weflen, 2022 QGI President

For anyone who would like to make a president's block for Maureen as a thank you for her leadership of QGI in 2022, here are the instructions for Mo's Plus Block!

This is a simple, two color 6 1/2" block: use white for the 4 background squares and one bright solid color for the plus.

- Cut 4 solid white fabric patches measuring 2 1/2" square.
- Cut 2 solid colored fabric patches measuring 2 1/2" square.
- Cut 1 solid colored patch measuring 6 1/2" x 2 1/2".



Assemble as pictured on the right. Block will be 6 1/2" unfinished.

Please bring to any QGI, QGIN or QGIS meeting in January and give to Betsy LaBell.

## Thank you to Dallas Reed, 2022 QGI South Chair

Dallas is collecting 2 1/2", 4" and 5" strips in any color for his charity group.  
Bring to the January 2023 meeting.



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# Charity News

Final report of charity donations for 2022:

## Third Thursday group

Trinity Free Clinic – 103 small/med quilts  
Exodus Refugee Resettlement – 30 quilts  
Dayspring Center – 54 quilts, 84 pillowcases  
Julian Center – 40 quilts  
Kentucky flood relief – 18 quilts  
St Vincent DePaul – 45 quilts, 90 pillowcases  
St Matthews Outreach Ministry - 22 child/youth quilts  
The Villages (foster child services) – 25 child quilts, 20 young adult quilts, 50 pillowcases  
Dove Recovery House – 20 quilts, 40 pillowcases  
HeartRock Recovery Center – 20 quilts, 40 pillowcases  
Family Promise – 25 quilts  
Majestic Nursing Home residents – 37 quilts  
Humane Society – 22 pet beds

## Irvington Group

Saint Elizabeth home for mothers and children - 480 quilts, 350 pillowcases  
Animal rescue - 89 dog beds  
Southeastern Kentucky flood victims - 121 assorted quilts, 125 pillowcases  
Birth options - 130 quilts  
CICOA (Central Indiana Council On Aging) - 15 quilts  
Pink Ribbon Connection - 3 full-size quilts

The Third Thursday work group plans to meet on January 19, 2023. If the weather that week looks ugly, call Mary or check your Jenny Quilter email for any change in plans.

Did you know that starting a fresh new year with some charity projects is a great way to earn karma points that will set your year up for success? If you're a longarm quilter (or you're comfortable machine-quilting on your domestic machine), those post-holiday weeks can be a good time to get in some charity work. We've got about a dozen "nice" charity tops, with backings, ready for quilting. Call Mary to arrange for pick-up or delivery.

Even if you can't attend a work day in person, there are plenty of ways you can contribute your efforts at home. We have kits ready to make quilt tops, and a good number of sandwiched quilts which require either hand-tying or machine tacking to be finished. These items can be picked up at meetings or delivered to your home! Call or text Mary Strinka and we'll make sure you have enough to keep busy during these long winter evenings.





## QGI Whisper Quilt Project 2023 – A Collaborative Quilt Art Project

**Coordinator:** Carol Marlin ([cemarlin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cemarlin@sbcglobal.net), 317-514-3733)

### Overview of the QGI WQP:

Kim Caskey, quilt artist, spoke at the QGIN meeting in early November on the topic “World Wide Whispers– A Collaborative Quilt/Fiber Art Project.” Betsy LaBell, QGI’s President for 2023, was so intrigued with and excited by this project that she wanted The Quilters Guild of Indianapolis to offer this experience to our guild members. The project is fashioned after the children's party game Telephone, where the leader starts by whispering a sentence in the ear of the next child and the sentence is passed around the room one person at a time. The sentence evolves and changes from the original sentence as it goes along. It is guaranteed that by the time the last child reveals the “secret,” it has changed a great deal. It may not even resemble the original statement. This game is known in Scotland as Chinese Whispers. The Quilt Guild in Scotland, led by Ann Hill, held a Chinese Whispers challenge a few years ago and it was a huge success. It was great fun to see how the changes occurred from beginning to end in each piece. When Ann Hill introduced this idea to Kim Caskey and other fellow quilting friends from around the world, they agreed to participate in what is now known as “World Wide Whispers”. To ensure this challenge works effectively, participants must keep their work a secret. Finished pieces must not be shown to anyone before the reveal date at the end of the project.

Artist #1 of each group will get a photo. They will use this photo as the inspiration for their small wall quilt. Artist #1 will then send a photo of their finished small wall quilt to Artist #2 who will use that photo of the previous quilt as their inspiration. The theme of this collaboration is how we, as artists, are inspired and motivated to make work of our own by looking at the works of others. It is about creativity sparked by a line, a texture, a color, a form, a stitch, an embellishment, an emotion or a story. Only Artist #1 of each group will see the original photo before the reveal at the end of the Project.

### How the QGI WQP works:

- Submit a photo that may be chosen to be one of the inspiration photos by January 16, 2023. This is not a requirement for participation in the WQP. It is just an opportunity for everyone to participate.
- Sign up to become part of the QGI WQP no later than January 20, 2023, by sending the following information to the Coordinator. You will receive a registration confirmation within three working days.
  - Name
  - Email Address
  - State if you would like to commit to one group only or more than one group
  - List all months you can commit to completing your quilt
- If you are not able to sign up by January 26, does not mean that you cannot join in on the fun. If you want to join in later, send your information to the Coordinator and she will do her best to add you to a group or fill in if someone has to withdraw from the project.
- The Coordinator will divide the participants into groups and assign each participant a month. The month will be based on participant’s available months.
- By January 27, 2023, the Coordinator will publish the group listings that will include the participants in each group and their month assignment on the website and send all participants an email with the same information. If any registered participant has issues with the list, please contact the Coordinator.
- By January 28, 2023, the Coordinator will send a photo to Artist #1 for each group and Artist #1 can start the project. Artist #1 must acknowledge the receipt of the photograph when it arrives to the Coordinator.
- Each participant will start their quilt on the 1st day of the month assigned and will send, via email, a photograph of their finished wall hanging quilt along with a written statement about the quilt to the next artist in the group by the 28th day of the same month. The Coordinator must be copied on this email. It is crucially important to adhere to the timeline. If you have concerns about not being able to fulfill your commitment to

participate in your month, please contact the Coordinator immediately so she can swap you with someone else in the group.

- Note: You are sending a photograph of your quilt. It is OK if there is no quilting or binding/ facing done at that time. The design of the quilt is what is important. You have until November 9, 2023, to quilt, bind/face, and attach the label and sleeve. This should take some of the pressure off you to complete the quilt.
- The Coordinator will check monthly that the photos have been forwarded by the date due. The forwarding of the photos and statement must be done by the 28th. However, photographs of finished pieces can be sent to the next participant earlier than the due date.
- Commit to completing your quilt, photographing it, writing an artist statement about your quilt and emailing the picture of your quilt and your statement to the next quilter in your group and the Coordinator by the end of your assigned month.
- Upon completion of the wall quilt, each participant will keep the quilt in their possession. In November 2023 the participants will deliver their completed wall quilt to the Coordinator for display at the reveal.
- At the end of the project all of the wall quilts made by all the participants in all of the groups will be revealed at the December 2023 QGI Holiday Party.
- The unique challenge of this project is to keep the work a complete secret until the reveal day. Of course, it is always difficult to keep a secret, but please be reminded that this project will only work as anticipated when none of the small wall quilts have been shown before the reveal date.

**Special Notice:** All communications for this project will be via email. If you are unable to communicate by email, please contact the coordinator to make special arrangements.

#### **Why Participate in the QGI WQP Project**

- To challenge yourself with new methods of quilting
- To improve your artistic and quilting skills
- To encourage friendships through the craft of quilting
- To have fun quilting
- To exhibit the finished project pieces as part of a group

#### **Rules for the QGI WQP:**

- Quilts must measure 18" by 24". The landscape or portrait orientation for each group will be designated by the Coordinator based on the inspiration photo. This is a small sized wall quilt so you can complete it within your assigned month.
- At the time of the reveal, the wall quilt must be finished with either a binding or a facing.
- The small wall quilt must be a quilt. Three layers and quilted/stitched together. It is preferable that each participant quilts their own work but, if the participant chooses to have another person quilt their wall quilt, that person must be sworn to secrecy. The "Whisper Quilt Project" police will be watching.
- The label on the back side should contain:
  - Name of project: **QGI Whisper Quilt Project 2023**
  - Title of the small wall quilt
  - Artist statement about the piece, including what inspired your piece
  - Artist name and the date of completion
  - Techniques used and any other relevant information
- At the time of the reveal, there must be a 4" hanging sleeve leaving 1" gap at each end of each sleeve; top sleeve position 1" down from top edge. This will ensure that all of the quilts will hang evenly when displayed.
- DO NOT share your small quilt with other QGI members or anyone else until the big reveal at the 2023 December QGI Holiday Party.
- Do NOT post your QGI Whisper Quilt on social media until AFTER the big reveal at the 2023 December QGI Holiday Party.



- Commit to entering your quilt in the next QGI quilt show (hopefully in 2024). No registration fee will be required for this entry.
- Be creative and have fun!

### How you can participate?

- You can register to be part of a group and make a quilt  
or
- Anyone may submit a photo, including participants, that may be chosen to be one of the inspiration photos
- The photo should represent something from the Indianapolis area
- The photo must be high enough resolution for a large print to display with the project. If you use your phone, submit the highest resolution available.
- Email your high-resolution photo to the Coordinator by January 16, 2023. Please mention the location or other pertinent information about the photo in your email.
- The photo(s) used will be enlarged and displayed with the quilts at the big reveal at the 2024 QGI Quilt Show.

### The Big Reveal

- The big reveal will take place at the 2023 December QGI Holiday Party.
- The quilts will be shown as a Special Exhibit at the next QGI Quilt Show. No registration fee will be required for this entry.

### 2023 WQP Calendar

- 01/13/23 Zoom meeting for anyone who has questions, wants more information or needs clarification about the WQP. The time of the Zoom will be announced later and will be recorded and posted on the website.
- 01/16/23 Closing date for photo submissions
- 01/26/23 Closing date for artist sign up for January 2023 participation. Artist signups will be accepted through April 15 for months later in the year.
- 01/27/23 The Coordinator will email a notification to each participating artist that will include the members of their group and their artist number and month assignment. If an artist has any issue with and part of the information sent in the notice, the artist should immediately contact the Coordinator so whatever changes necessary can be made.
- 01/28/23 The Coordinator will send a photo to Artist #1 in each group and work on the quilt may begin the 28<sup>th</sup> of each following month - artist will email a photo of their completed quilt and their artist's statement to the next artist in their group and to the Coordinator.

**Questions?** Email the Coordinator - Carol Marlin at [cemarin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cemarin@sbcglobal.net) or phone at 317-514-3733.

## 2023 QGI SPRING RETREAT IN SHIPSHEWANA MAY 5TH – 7TH

We are looking forward to returning to the Farmstead Inn in amazing Shipshewana, the adorable little town for quilters, for the 2023 Spring Retreat. Shipshewana is a quilters paradise with its quilt, antique, and mercantile shops, cafés and restaurants all within the quaint setting of Amish life. We hope you will plan to join us for the fun, prizes, friendships and to just get away from it all! Registrations will begin **January 1st**.

\$350 single room (limited) or \$250 double room. (Cost includes breakfast)

Registration deadline is: March 30th, 2023

Please send your **name, email, phone number, room preference and check to:**

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## News from SAQA, Non-SAQA call for entries. Submitted by Pam Durant

FANTASTIC FIBERS 2023 Call for Entry Deadline February 01, 2023

Yeiser Art Center is now accepting entries for the **FANTASTIC FIBERS 2023** international juried exhibition. **FANTASTIC FIBERS** seeks to showcase a wide range of outstanding contemporary works related to the fiber medium.

Contemporary and innovative works created with fiber as the primary medium or concept are welcome. This exhibition is open to all artists 18 years and over working in the field of fiber art. All work submitted must be original, completed in the last three years and not previously exhibited in a **FANTASTIC FIBERS** exhibition. There are no size restrictions. Work will be on display from April 8th to June 24th, 2023.

**MORE INFO** Location Paducah, Kentucky Venue Info [Yeiser Art Center](#)

**2023 Form, Not Function: Quilt Art at the Carnegie**

**Call for Entry Deadline:** March 18, 2023

The 2023 "Form, Not Function: Quilt Art at the Carnegie" call for entries is open NOW! Deadline to submit is March 18, 2023. \$1,000 Best in Show and other cash awards.

"Form, Not Function: Quilt Art at the Carnegie" is an annual juried exhibit of contemporary quilt art held at the Carnegie Center for Art & History in New Albany, Indiana. All works must be quilted (two or more distinct layers held together with stitches). The layers may include fiber and textile materials, but this is not required and other techniques and mediums are acceptable as long as the work is quilted, as defined above. The exhibit is open to artists, age 18 or older, living in the United States, including U.S. military bases and U.S. territories. The 2023 exhibition will be on view May 11 – July 22, 2023. Celebrating 20 years of "Form, Not Function" in 2023!

**MORE INFO** Location: New Albany, Indiana Venue: [Carnegie Center for Art & History](#)

### All Creatures Great and Small

**Call for Entry Deadline** April 25, 2023 **Theme:** The Texas Quilt Museum invites you to submit images of up to three quilts for our 2023 juried exhibition James Herriot's *All Creatures Great and Small*. Creatures play a huge role in our lives. The creatures we surround ourselves with influence our everyday lives. They help set the mood of our lives. Creatures surrounds us, enfolds us, cheers us, protects us, delights us.

We are eager to see your creature-inspired quilts created since 2018 for the new Texas Quilt Museum. The call is open for both art quilts and traditional quilts expressing the many creatures of our daily lives. Quilts must be a minimum of 24 inches on the shorter side.

**Images:** Digital images no larger than 5.5 MB each, one full view and one detail. Send to [vickim@quilts.com](mailto:vickim@quilts.com) with the completed entry form.

**Who may enter:** Quilters of all ages and styles are welcome to enter the call. If more than one person assisted in the making of the quilt, please be sure to list each person by name on the entry form.

**Length of exhibit:** Quilts selected for the exhibit must be available July 31, 2023 – January 31, 2024.

**February 25, 2023** Entry forms go live at [www.texasquiltmuseum.org](http://www.texasquiltmuseum.org)

**April 25, 2023** (midnight CST) Deadline for entries

**MORE INFO** Location La Grange, Texas Venue: [Texas Quilt Museum](#)



## Happening Elsewhere.....


**March 2 - 4, 2023: Indiana Heritage Quilters Show** at the Monroe Convention Center, Bloomington, IN. **Quilt entry and workshop registrations will open September 6, 2022.** <https://www.ihqs.org>

**May 5 - 7, 2023: QGI Spring Retreat** in Shipshewanna, IN

**July 21-22, 2023 "One Stop Quilt Shop Hop"** at the Honeywell Center in Wabash, IN  
[www.nancyjsfabrics.com/quilt-shop-hop.htm](http://www.nancyjsfabrics.com/quilt-shop-hop.htm)

**September 7-9, 2023: Great Wisconsin Quilt Show**, Exhibition Hall at the Allianz Energy Center, 1919 Allianz Energy Center Way, Madison, Wisconsin. [quiltshow.com](http://quiltshow.com)

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The poster features a central graphic of a monarch butterfly with the word "Monarch" in a stylized font. Below it, "CHERRYWOOD CHALLENGE 2023" is written. To the right, there are two orange circles: the top one says "\$50.00 INCLUDES: 8 fat quarters, Mistyfuse® sample, Milkweed seeds"; the bottom one says "\$30.00 ENTRY FEE collected at time of submission". At the bottom right, an orange circle says "DUE DATE: JUNE 15 2023 1:00 pm CDT". At the bottom left, it says "An art quilt challenge sponsored by Cherrywood Hand Dyed Fabrics with support from Mistyfuse".

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## ***2022 QGI Meetings***

in person, with Zoom options

**Masks optional**

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### **The QGI General Meeting Second\* Thursday evening Jan–Nov at 7pm.**

Orchard Park Presbyterian Church  
1605 E 106th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46280  
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### **QGI North Daytime Meeting First\* Friday each month**

**1:00 PM**

At Orchard Park Presbyterian Church  
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### **QGI South Daytime Meeting Fourth\* Thursday each month 10:30 AM Jan – Oct**

Friedens United Church of Christ  
8300 S. Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, IN

***Zoom meeting links are on the Member Forum  
page at [quiltguildindy.net](http://quiltguildindy.net)***

*\*Dates are subject to change*

## **2022 QGI Board Meeting**

[qgiwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:qgiwebsite@gmail.com)

Board meetings will be every other month at  
6:30pm via Zoom on the Monday before the QGI  
monthly Evening Meeting.

2023 Meeting dates are:

January 9, March 6,  
May 8, July 10, Sept. 11 and  
November 6.

All paid members are welcome to link into the  
meetings.

Please contact Betsy LaBell for the meeting link  
if you want to participate..