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March Meeting Thursday Mar 8

**Baker Centre
7:30 pm**

What's Going On?

Next Class – MAY!

Maria Shell will be here to teach classes on 17 to 21 May. Sign up starts at the March meeting. Details on page 2.

Also in May

Our AGM is in May. Who wants to help out with our executive and board? Tell Charlene you are interested.

Working on a Challenge?

Another May activity. Challenges are due May 10. Read on page 3 about the details. You can pick one or do them both.

Thread Trouble

Dawn has a cone of light grey WonderFil™ thread, but it won't work in her Bernina 820. Anyone interested in a deal? 873-3849

Donate Fabric

Bring your extra fabric to any Guild meeting so we can use it in Sharing Gifts projects. Fat quarter or larger in size. Thank you!

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Guest Policy

Guests are welcome at any meeting. If a guest returns for other meetings, there is a \$5 charge each time. For details, please read [the full policy](#).



SOCIAL SEWING NIGHT

Our next evening sew will be Thursday, March 15, 6:30-9:30 at The Quilted Raven. It's a chance to sew, cut, arrange, check out the library, or just visit. We have lots of fun! **Please note, this evening is for Members only!**

Last Month We Learned ...

We learned so many things during February! How many do you remember?

First up was the meeting where members told about their best tips for making quilts. Kathy was hoping to offer the weirdest tip, which involved useful recycling of air luggage tags. However, I think Christine and Debbie had the most spectacular idea. Here's a picture.



...12" blocks? 23 have been donated. Kathy is working on a project for us. Still time to bring in your block.

For pictures of more learning at the class and trunk show, see page 4!

Modern Quilt Classes with Maria Shell

MAKING PRINTS OUT OF SOLIDS

Thurs and Fri, May 17 & 18/2018 - 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Sat May 19/18 - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm



\$190.00 for members. \$220.00 for non-members.

Using solid-colored quilting cottons, learn how to stitch an assortment of pieced prints including stripes, chevrons, polka dots, and pointy shapes. While learning these new techniques, also get information about selecting a color palette, improvisational piecing techniques, and ideas for taking these techniques and creating original quilts. Fabrics other than solids may be used.

Riffing on Tradition

Sun and Mon - May 20 & 21/18 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

\$190.00 for members - \$220.00 for non-members



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.

REGISTRATION

Registration will open for members at the next guild meeting - MARCH 1. Priority will be given to those who attend this meeting and register in person. After the meeting, you may register by contacting me via email.

PLEASE NOTE....YOU ARE NOT FULLY REGISTERED UNTIL PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

CONTACT DONNA @BAJA@SSIMICRO.COM

Survey

February Survey Results: Out of Town Instructors and Workshops

27 members responded to the survey.

1. How many Workshops have you attended in the past 5 years?
In town (Guild sponsored) 3-4 (8), 1-2 (11), none (6)
Out of town 3-4 (4), 1-2 (4), none (10)
2. What influenced your decision NOT to attend classes? Cost 4, Schedule 13,
Subject of no interest to me 15, Instructor 0, No time 3.
3. What would you like to see offered for workshops?
Scrap quilts 12, Paper piecing 10, Thread painting 9, Modern quilts 9, Machine quilting 9,
Hand quilting 8, Landscape 8, Colour theory 7, Traditional 7, Applique 7, Miniature quilts 5,
Hand embroidery 3, Felting 1, Improv 1.
4. Do you prefer workshops that are: One day 9, Full weekend 10, Fri. night/Sat. 16.
5. What are your favorite type of Quilts to make? Traditional 9, Modern 9, Applique 6,
Art quilts 3, Miniature 3, All 4.
6. Comments or suggestions for guild-sponsored workshops.
Kaffe Fasset Judy Neimeyer Laura Heine Gudrun Erla
A Retreat Small projects, not full quilts

March Survey

Meetings, the Executive and Work

1. Do you have any suggestions for speakers/topics at our monthly guild meeting?

2. Are you interested in taking part in some sort of Fabric Exchange next year?
Such as, 2.5" strips, charm packs, 10" squares
Yes _____ No _____
3. What would you like to see the guild do as a special project in 2018/19?
Guild quilt challenge _____ Mystery Block Project _____
Round Robin Challenge _____ Other _____
4. What is the main reason you attend guild meetings?
Program offered that night _____ Social Aspect _____
Show and Tell _____ Door Prizes _____
Meeting New People _____ Challenges _____
Other _____
5. Have you volunteered on the Executive in the past?
Yes: Past 1-4 years _____ 4-10 years _____ More than 10 years ago _____
No: _____
6. What has kept you from being on the Executive?
Don't feel I am qualified _____ I have no time _____ Not interested at this time _____
Other: _____
7. What would you like to see in the Mystery Bags?
Kits _____ Fun Notions _____ Gadgets _____
Fabric Bundles/Pre Cuts _____ Other _____

More February Action ...



Thank you!!!

I just wanted to say "Thank you" to the participants in the Uschi Greiner Wool Applique class!! It truly was a unique and very fun class. Special thank you to Minnie for suggesting we bring up this wonderful and generous teacher. I am looking forward to seeing lots of "Schools of Fish" and "Ravishing Raven" wool projects completed!!

Donna

Uschi Greiner showed us some wonderful needlework at the Friday night trunk show.

Then 16 lucky students learned her techniques.



2 Quilt Challenges 2017/2018

Challenge 1. Quilt Your Name

Use three initials of your name to make a quilt.

- One initial is the main colour of the quilt.
- One is the pattern or block name.
- One is the quilting motif.



Challenge 2. Scrappy Quilt

Option 1

- Use fabric from your stash.
- Decide the size and shape of pieces and cut your fabrics.
- Sew your pieces randomly to make the quilt top. Do not match fabrics!

Quilt and bind as you wish.

Option 2

Follow the pattern on the website to make your scrappy quilt.

Challenge Rules

1. Join one challenge or both. If you enter both, you must make 2 quilts.
2. Quilts must be complete for the 10 May 2018 meeting.
3. The size must be no smaller than 94 inches around. (A 23-in square does not qualify, but 24-in square does.)
4. No recycled quilts please. Make a new item for this challenge.

AND THERE WILL BE PRIZES!

Members will vote for the best entry for each challenge. PLUS one more prize will be awarded by random draw of all entries.

For Full Details

See the [Challenge Handout](http://www.ykquiltersguild.ca/) on our website: <http://www.ykquiltersguild.ca/>

Did You Know?

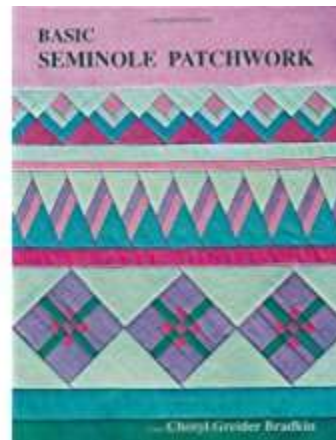
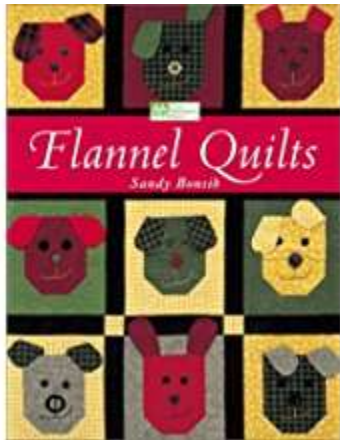
Have you ever heard of a ditsy fabric? I read the term in some catalogue, so of course I looked it up. Ready?

A **ditsy** print is quite small in scale, and the design motifs are usually scattered or random rather than being ordered in a definable pattern like rows or stripes. At a distance, a **ditsy** print looks almost like a solid color, the scale is so small.

(Thank you, spoonflower.com.)

Yellowknife Quilters Library

at The Quilted Raven, 5005 53rd St



Two Random Reviews

Flannel Quilts, by Sandy Bonsib, That Patchwork Place.

This book is worth reading for the pre-wash tips alone! No, wait. The double applique advice is good too. The tips on page 23 are also vital. And 16 of the 17 patterns are fun or helpful. (The one I don't like at all is Family Flannels. Check it out.) Overall, if you are going to make a flannel quilt, this is an essential place to start.

Shelved under B Rating: ★★★★★

Basic Seminole Patchwork, by Cheryl Greider Bradkin, Leone Publications

Once upon a time, Seminole patchwork was a hot fad. This book is from 1990, but it is a fine resource. There are short chapters showing clothing and quilts using Seminole work, but most of the book is devoted to detailed instructions for the many different possible designs. They remind me of Delta Braid on parkas.

Shelved under B Rating: ★★★★★

Please visit our library. Check out a book or take home a magazine. Books are stored alphabetically by author name. Looking for a particular type of quilting? Check the Book List, blue binder in the basket. The list is also on our website.

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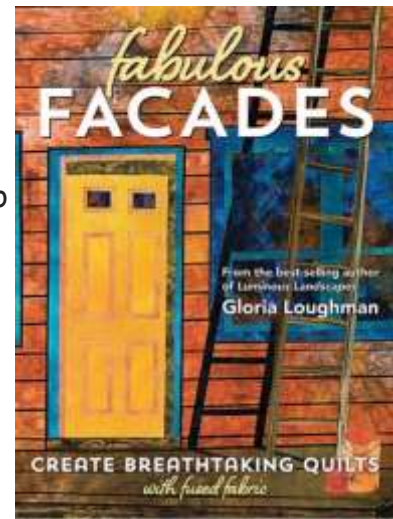
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Does that book cover look familiar?

It's a building in Old Town from Gloria Loughman's new book *FABULOUS FACADES*. Two of our Guild Members' art quilts are featured in this book also! It's a beautiful book to add to your collection. We have several in stock!



Happy Quilting! Charlene & the Ravenettes

North of 60 Quilting Services

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Thanks to all the quilters in Yellowknife we are keeping very busy. Just in case anyone wants to take the Longarm Course, we are running one the second week of March. To register give Marilyn or Anita a call. The cost is \$150.00 and includes 3 hours of quilting time.

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