

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Quilters!

By the time you receive this newsletter, our 2018 Quilt Show "Garden Party" will be mere weeks away. I hope you were able to submit a quilt or two for showing. Also lots of help will be needed before, during and after the show. I hope you are able to spend a few hours helping to make this show another success.

On a more serious note, the end of the guild year is fast approaching. The four officers of our guild, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and several committee chairs will be moving on. Are you up for helping our guild as an officer or committee chair? Think about it. Your efforts will be appreciated.

Finally, I wish you and your family a Happy Spring! May your needle move fast and your color choices be "spot on"!



2017-2018 MEETINGS East Greenwich United Methodist Church

> March 15, 2018 7:00PM

Please Bring:

- Your nametag
- Cash or checkbook for workshops
- Library DVDs
- Show & Tell
- Snacks

April 19, 2018 7:00 PM

Tina Craig will present a trunk show of her 25 years of Quilting.

Keep stitchin'

Louise



Garden Party Quilt Show Information from Joan Potter



- Please sign up to volunteer at our show. We need people for setup on Friday, April 20, between 9 AM and 5 PM, people to white glove or man the tables at the show, and people to help with take down at 4 PM on April 22. If you are helping with setup or take down, please bring a stepladder (with your name on it) if you have one. Friends and relatives are welcome to help out with setup and take down, especially strong and/or energetic ones. We also need volunteers to demo a quilting technique or anything of interest to quilters. Please sign up on the signup sheets at the meetings or call/email Joan Potter (401-438-4431) or joanpotter@cox.net.
- Lawn signs will be available to take home at the meetings, and don't forget to prepurchase your show tickets to save on the admission fee. You may buy one ticket for yourself at \$6, and as many tickets as you like for family and friends at \$7 each. You will have to pay \$8 at the door if you don't buy a ticket.
- All volunteers for Saturday and Sunday will be expected to pay admission, but if you come both days, you only have to pay once (just get your program stamped on Saturday and bring it back on Sunday). This applies to all who attend the show. There is no fee to volunteer for setup and take down.
- We need donations of mug mats, small quilts for the quilt auction, and baskets filled with quilting supplies and books for the basket raffle. Proceeds of the quilt auction will go to the NE Quilt Museum, and the basket raffle will once again go to the Hope Alzheimer's Center in Cranston. Please give your small quilt to Allison Wilbur, your mug mats to Judy Bardsley, and your baskets to Joan Halley or Geri Bergreen.
- If you are having your quilts judged, you will need to deliver them to Pat Harrison's house at <u>59 Reuben Brown Lane</u> in Exeter on April 5 from 4 to 7 PM, or April 6 from 10 AM to 1 PM, and pick them up at the Exeter Public Library on April 7 at 4:30 PM. The library is located at <u>773 Ten Rod Rd. (Rt. 102</u>) in Exeter.
- All quilts must be delivered to North Kingstown High School on April 20 between 9 AM and 11 AM. You will be given a receipt for each quilt you drop off. When retrieving your quilts Sunday after 5 PM, you must have your receipts. If someone else drops off your quilts for you, make sure they give you the receipts or else pick your quilts up for you as well. Don't forget to keep selling quilt raffle tickets. If you can't sell any more, please return unsold tickets to Joan Potter, so we can sell them at the show. The quilt show is a critical underwriter of all our guild's activities, so thank you for helping make it a big success.
- The April 19 NBQA meeting will be at the church, not North Kingstown High School.

Comfort Quilts

Comfort Quilts continues to accept your finished tops and quilts at each meeting. We also accept fabric to make MORE quilts. Thank you for efforts to make this program successful!

Our next Quilt-A-Thon will take place on Saturday **March 17th** from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Piecing with Poppers Quilting Center Classroom. We hope you have some time that day to help us cut fabric, sew tops and press backs and quilt bindings for distribution to our members to make more comfort quilts.



New England Quilt Museum

Allison Wilbur will be giving her talk, "Japan: Tradition and Inspiration" on March 3 at NEQM at 1:00 pm.

Did you know that Japan is home to the second largest quilting community in the world? Delve deeply into the Japanese aesthetic and learn about the many different traditional Japanese textiles traditions including cotton yukatas, silk obis, shibori dyeing, and sashiko stitching. See an array of quilts which incorporate these beautiful fabrics and motifs and entice you to step into the world of Japanese inspired quilting. Allison Wilbur is an award winning quilter who has traveled the world and lived in Japan. Many of her quilts focus on Japanese fabrics and design principles. This slide show and trunk show combination will leave you with a greater understanding of the special fabrics made in Japan and how to use them in your quilts.

2017 – 2018 NBQA Block of the Month Program

The quilt blocks you make for the Block of the Month Program are donated to the Comfort Quilts program. The blocks are used to make quilts during the Quilt-a- thon.

March – Blues and Yellows = Framed Nine Patches

This month's block uses 2.5 inch squares and rectangles. The unfinished block measures 10.5 inches square.

April – No Blocks Turned in due to Quilt Show

May – 30's Prints – Disappearing Nine Patch Criss-Cross This month's block uses 5 inch squares in various 30's prints.



NBQA Fat Quarter Challenge 2017-2018

You can bring in 1-5 fat quarters per meeting. You will receive a ticket for each fat quarter you bring in. Near the end of the business meeting there will be a drawing. You must be present at the meeting to win. We will continue to draw numbers until we get a winner. **March** – GENRE (green) - A category of artistic composition **April** – no challenge due to quilt show **May** – ALVEOLITE (purple) - Inflammation within the lungs caused by hypersensitivity to inhaled organic dusts

Membership

Please welcome our new guild members.

Sheri-Lynn Bolduc 182 Chaucer Drive North Kingstown, RI 02852 Blaire Gagnon 53 Spring Hill Road Kingston, RI 02881 gagnonblaire@gmail.com

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Library

Our collection of *DVDs* is available for members to borrow at our monthly meetings. To check out DVDs, sign the index card in the back of each DVD and give it to the librarian. When returning DVDs give the librarian your name and she will pull your card and check off that you have returned your DVD.

DVDs are checked out for one month intervals. There is no limit to the number of DVDs you may borrow. If you do not return the DVD when it is due there is a fine of \$1 per month per DVD.

A list of all DVDs in the library is on our web site

http://www.nbqa.org/resources/dvds/.

Maria Lage

New England Quilt Museum

January 10 - April 21, 2018

QUILTS JAPAN The 13th Quilt Nihon from Tokyo

January 10 - April 29, 2018 THE HAND QUILTED WORKS OF GLADI PORSCHE



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Vice President – Joan Potter	Membership – Anne Sabatini & Diane Roman
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Secretary – Celia Schnacky	Newsletter – Sally Cooper & Maybeth Cost
Block of the Month – Louise Pankiewicz	
Programs – Hope Barton & Cathey LaBonte	
Comfort Quilts –	Publicity –
Door Prizes – Geri Bergreen	Quilt Show – Joan Potter
Fabric Challenge – Billie Bunnewith	Special Events – Louise Pankiewicz
Fat Quarter – Lyn Pallotta	Website – Joan Blade-Johnson
Historian – Maribeth Traer	Youth Program – Barbara Stetson
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Edna O'Rourke	



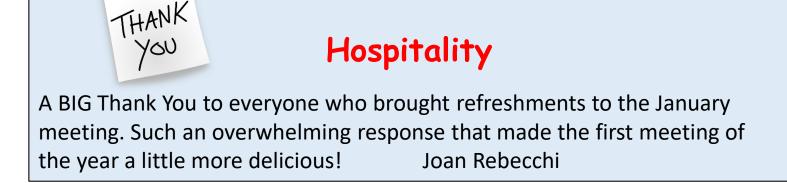
Guild Openings for 2018 - 2019

There will be several positions open for the 2018 – 2019 guild year. Please let the Joan Potter and the Nominating Committee know if you are interested. The responsibilities of each position can be found in the Bylaws. Support your Guild! President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer New England Quilt Museum Programs Historian Publicity Membership Comfort Quilts Webmasters

PROGRAMS

Our **March 15th** meeting will have Wen Redmond, an Art Quilter known nationally and internationally. Everyone will leave her workshop with a unique finished piece with a 3D effect. The technique is called Holographic Memories, and she will print your photo on fabric for a very personalized memory. If you would like any help choosing or sending a photo, Cathey LaBonte and I would be happy to help you.

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2018 Schoolhouse Shop Hop Bus Trip Saturday March 24, 2018

Bus leaves at 7:00 AM From Route 117 Park and Ride (Exit 10 off Interstate 95 in Warwick, RI) Returns at 9 PM (at the latest) Shops open from 9 AM to 7 PM on Saturday We will visit The Quilted Crow Bolton, MA Cobblestone Quilts Townsend, MA The Bunkhouse Quilt Shop Lyndeborough, NH **Quilted Threads** Henniker, NH Red Barn Sewing & Yarn Center Merrimac, MA Cost is \$50.00 Includes Transportation, Driver Tip and \$8.00 Passport (Passport includes Tote Bag Gift, free pattern at each shop. Completed passports receive diploma, graduation gift and a coupon for 20% off shopping spree to be used at a later date) Visit www.schoolhouseshophop.com for further details Each shop will provide snacks. Lunch break in Townsend MA Bring your own or visit Dunkin Donuts or order from the local diner (menus provided). Make Checks Payable to: Louise Pankiewicz Send Checks to: Louise Pankiewicz, 55 Island Drive, Coventry, RI 02816 Any Questions? Call Louise at 401-323-0255 Or Email her at Louisebpd@yahoo.com

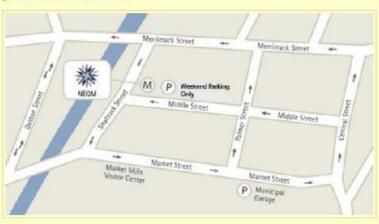
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THE NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM 18 Shattuck St, Lowell, Massachusetts 01852 phone: 978-452-4207



By car:

Lowell is located 28 miles north of Boston off Interstates 93 and 495 and Route 3 From Route 3 take exit 30B northbound or exit 30A southbound onto I-495 towards Lawrence. From I-495 take exit 35C onto the Lowell Connector. Continue about 2 miles to Exit 5B onto Thorndike St

At the 4th light, Thorndike Street merges into Dutton Street. Go to the 2nd light and turn right onto Market Street.

The museum's changing exhibitions, Brown Bag Lectures, gallery talks, and special events are updated weekly at nequiltmuseum.org.