

# The NIMBLE THIMBLE

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This, my friends, is my favorite time of the year. I love watching all the colors change, love walking through the fallen leaves, love the crispness of the air in the morning, and most of all the anticipation of the wonderful holidays to come. Time with family and friends, what is better than that....oh yes, sewing as well!

Well, what a great quilt show! It far surpassed all expectations and was so well-received by the public. Over 526 people passed through the doors and were so very happy to be at our quilt show. Our reputation reaches far and wide and with valid reasons. Your work is exquisite and so very much enjoyed by all. Quilt Show income and expenses will be forthcoming in a separate email to all members.

We delivered quilts to two locations, the *Elizabeth Buffum Chace House* and received a lovely thank you card from them, and *Operation Stand Down Rhode Island* (see picture) where we received a letter of thanks which reads as follows -

*Dear Narragansett Bay Quilters Association,*

*THANK YOU for the generous donation of quilts to help our local veterans who have sacrificed in defense of our nation and its freedoms. We deeply appreciate your donation, especially now, during uncertain times. Your donation on 10/19/22 will be used to support the critical mission of Operation Stand Down Rhode Island (OSDRI).*

*Since 1993, OSDRI has been Rhode Island's leading and innovative non-profit provider of supportive services for local veterans in need. Operation Stand Down annually assists over 2,000 veterans with housing, employment and training, legal and benefit services as well as basic human needs such as clothing and food. Our reach is statewide. Operation Stand Down Rhode Island has built and continues to manage over 88 units of housing for low-income disabled veterans located throughout the state from Woonsocket to Westerly. Additionally, we help hundreds more at-risk and literally homeless veterans secure housing in the community at large. Our employment and training, disability benefit and basic human needs assistance focuses on making each veteran household self-sufficient and financially secure.*

*Operation Stand Down Rhode Island's case managers possess over 250 years of combined military service and epitomize the time-honored tradition of VETERANS HELPING VETERANS. Our commitment to providing veterans a "HAND UP – NOT A HAND OUT" is unwavering, but we could not do it without your support.*

*With Gratitude,  
Erik B. Wallin, Esquire  
Executive Director*

We have a *Quilt-a-Thon* scheduled for this Saturday, November 5th from 9:15 to 2 p.m. at the Cranston Central library at 140 Sockanosset Crossroads and hope to see you there!

Gail Macera – NBQA President



## Board Meeting

November 3, 2022, 6:30 pm

Louise's Quilt Shop

Island Creations by Louise

74 Nooseneck Hill Road

West Greenwich, RI

## General Meeting

November 17, 2022, 6:30 pm

East Greenwich United Methodist Church

1558 South County Trail

East Greenwich, RI



Hold on to your seats as we welcome our own Tina Craig on November 17th for her lecture on the "*Versatility of English Paper Piecing (EPP)*." Take a look beyond Grandmother's Flower Garden to the many possibilities of English Paper Piecing. From different shapes and sizes, to curves, improvisation and 3-dimensional projects, this trunk show aims to inspire a myriad of design options for your next quilt. Be sure to sign up for the "EPP and Panels Workshop" scheduled for Saturday, November 19th, where students will learn how to use English Paper Piecing to frame printed panels or large prints. There is a \$5.00 kit fee per student which will include paper templates in two sizes. The workshop will focus on hand-stitching, but students may switch to machine stitching at home if desired.

Space is limited for workshops, so contact Carol Ann Robertson [camartinelli@me.com](mailto:camartinelli@me.com) to register today!! Classes are \$40 per person, checks payable to NBQA. Workshop will be held at Island Creations by Louise, 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm.

Let's wrap up 2022 with our annual "Sit and Sew Kahoots" with Missy on December 2. This Zoom event will be full of fun, friends and surprises. Time and details coming soon.



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At: Cranston Central Library  
Main Hall  
140 Sockanosset Cross Road  
Cranston, Rhode Island 02920

Date: Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

Time: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

What to bring: Your sewing machine, sewing notions, thread, scissors, miscellaneous and yourself with a big smile.

What to expect: Sewing tops for Comfort Quilts. Kits and patterns will be provided. Connect with old and new quilt friends.

A mid-morning treat will be provided. There is a rumor that Barbara Hartford will be baking her special treats.

## COMFORT QUILTS

We had a great time at the September 10th quilt-a-thon event at the Cranston Library. There were lots of beautiful tops made from the kits furnished. Lots and lots accomplished. The next event is November 5th at the Cranston Main Library and starts at 9:00 am. There is no early access, and we are there to about 2:00 pm. Treats will be provided (I hear by Barbara Hartford!), but please bring your own beverage.

Please bring your sewing machine and any necessary notions. Ironing boards and irons will be provided.

Here are some pictures of our last event. We had a great time. Hope to see you on the 5th of November.





## EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Education Committee table was very busy at the NBQA Quilt Show in October. We greeted guests, answered quilting questions, handed out membership applications, and distributed our 'take and make' Halloween ornament kits for kids to their appreciative parents and grandparents.

We are now turning our attention to creating activity kits for NBQA's December exhibit at the Cranston Public Library. The Library Community Services Director has requested that the Education Committee make 50-60 winter holiday ornament kits to be handed out to visitors who come to view the quilts created by the NBQA's Comfort Quilts Committee. The quilts will be displayed during the month of December in the Library's conference room.

In January, our Committee will meet to plan our activities for the upcoming year. If you would like to join us, we would love to have you. Please contact Peggy Ann Lane, Education Committee Chair ([drpalane@cox.net](mailto:drpalane@cox.net)), to attend our Friday, November 18th meeting, or any other future activities.



## MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP

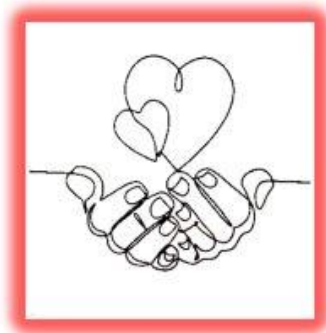
We have created a Facebook group for members of NBQA. You can search for Narragansett Bay Quilters group or click the following link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/810516923289299> to request to join.



## **NARRAGANSETT BAY QUILTERS' ASSOCIATION**

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### **"WRAPPED IN LOVE"**



## **AN EXHIBIT OF COMFORT QUILTS**

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**DECEMBER 3 – 18, 2022**

**AT THE CRANSTON CENTRAL LIBRARY, COMMUNITY ROOM**

**140 SOCKANOSSET CROSS ROAD, CRANSTON, RI**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, DURING LIBRARY HOURS**

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**A WELCOMING RECEPTION**

**HOSTED BY THE NBQA**

**WILL BE HELD**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022**

**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

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*This exhibit promotes the efforts and contributions of the guild's Comfort Quilt Committee.*

*There will be a variety of different types of hand/machine quilts made by the members of the Narragansett Bay Quilters' Association of East Greenwich, RI on display.*

*Information on the guild and community work they provide to local agencies in need of comfort quilts for their clients and families, will be available also.*

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*After the exhibit, these quilts will be donated to  
MAE Organization for the Homeless in Cranston, RI  
for distribution to their clients.*

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*Kits of fabric ornaments for the holiday season  
to be assembled on your own, with instructions  
will be available at the exhibit  
donated by the NBQA Education Committee.*

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*NBQA, ([nbqa.org](http://nbqa.org)) has been in existence since 1976, sharing, teaching, learning, and promoting the art of quilting to the residences of Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts and beyond.*



## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH AND STRIP EXCHANGE FOR NOVEMBER 2022**

Please submit at the November 17, 2022 General Meeting:

**Strips for November:** Christmas themed fabric strips, 2 ½" by width of fabric

**Block of the Month for November:** Hour glass (quarter square triangle) blocks, 6 ½" UNFINISHED size

You will receive one ticket for prizes per (2) strips or (1) square submitted.

## **QUILTER'S QUESTION**

Here is a *Quilter's Question* submitted by one of our members. All you have to do is answer the email you will receive in the next week. Looking forward to your answers!

***Do you sell your quilts? Or do you keep them or give them away? If you do sell them, how do you go about it?***

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## CELEBRATING MOTHER'S MEMORY

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**On View November 1 – December 31, 2022**

Made entirely by hand, the quilts of Tomie Nagano celebrate Japan's rich textile traditions—natural indigo cotton, woven *kasuri* patterns, *merinsu* wool, *shibori* dyeing, and *sashiko* stitching.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022 AT 1 PM**

Artist's Talk with Tomie Nagano

## SUSTAINABILITY

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## Narragansett Bay Quilters' Association Quilt Show 2022

### Ribbons Awards

#### Exemplary Machine Quilting – Domestic Sewing Machine

1 <sup>st</sup> - #202	Diane Roman	Insanity: a Quilt with 215 Circles	Quilted by Diane Roman
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #109	Lynda Young	Interlinked	Quilted by Lynda Young
3 <sup>rd</sup> - #116	Tina Craig	Scrappy Bricks and Hexies	Quilted by Tina Craig

#### Exemplary Machine Quilting – Track Mounted Longarm

1 <sup>st</sup> - #117	Lisa Bagian	Coming Home	Quilted by Jill Bowen
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #118	Lisa Bagian	Heartland	Quilted by Jill Bowen
3 <sup>rd</sup> - #102	Pat Harrison	Bright Trip	Quilted by Pat Harrison

#### Exemplary Use of Color

1 <sup>st</sup> - #102	Pat Harrison	Bright Trip	Quilted by Pat Harrison
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #122	Diane Roberts	Mineral Matrix	Quilted by Diane Roberts

#### Exemplary Pictorial

1 <sup>st</sup> - #110	Joan Potter	RI Lights	Quilted by Joan Potter
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #111	Joan Potter	Rocky Mountain Spirit	Quilted by Joan Potter
3 <sup>rd</sup> - #402	Harriet Simoneau	Mango Hummingbird	N/A

#### Exemplary Piecing

1 <sup>st</sup> - #115	Tina Craig	Scrappy Chevron Stars	Quilted by Tina Craig
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #109	Lynda Young	Interlinked	Quilted by Lynda Young
3 <sup>rd</sup> - #116	Tina Craig	Scrappy Bricks and Hexies	Quilted by Tina Craig

#### Exemplary Applique

1 <sup>st</sup> - #202	Diane Roman	Insanity: A Quilt with 215 Circles	Quilted by Diane Roman
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #117	Lisa Bagian	Coming Home	Quilted by Jill Bowen
3 <sup>rd</sup> - #118	Lisa Bagian	Heartland	Quilted by Jill Bowen



**Exemplary Scrap**

1 <sup>st</sup> - #101	Pat Harrison	Strippy Scrappy 2018	Quilted by Pat Harrison
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #108	Lynda Young	Basket Sampler	Quilted by Marjatta Gladding

**Exemplary Modern**

1 <sup>st</sup> - # 203	Fern Graves	Oranges	Quilted by Fern Graves
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**Exemplary Innovative**

1 <sup>st</sup> - #100	Pat Harrison	Circle those Scraps 2019	Quilted by Pat Harrison
2 <sup>nd</sup> - #201	Pat Harrison	Shibori Scramble	Quilted by Pat Harrison
3 <sup>rd</sup> - #401	Joan Potter	School Bag	Quilted by Joan Potter

**Single Awards:****Exemplary Edge Finish**

#100	Pat Harrison	Circle those Scraps 2019	Quilted by Pat Harrison
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**Exemplary Embellishment/Embroidery**

#121	Harriet Simoneau	<u>In</u> the Garden	Quilted by Susan Ellis
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**Exemplary Hand Quilting**

#203	Fern Graves	Oranges	Quilted by Fern Graves
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**Judge's Recognition**

#201	Pat Harrison	Shibori Scramble	Quilted by Pat Harrison
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**NACQJ Award of Merit Ribbon**

#119	Lisa Bagian	Dear Jane	Quilted by Jill Bowen
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**Viewer's Choice - Friday**

#207	Gail Macera	Heaven and Nature Sing	Quilted by Kim Cloutier
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**Viewer's Choice - Saturday**

#110	Joan Potter	RI Lights	Quilted by Joan Potter
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**Best of Show:**

#100	Pat Harrison	Circle those Scraps 2019	Quilted by Pat Harrison
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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](http://nequiltmuseum.org).*