

# THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

# QUILTERS' QUILL

November 2021

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*"The Executive will work together as a team to support and encourage new quilters, challenge and draw upon experienced quilters and provide warmth and comfort to those in need." As your Executive Committee, we are designing some things to meet the above goal.*

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Items for Quilters' Quill should be submitted by the Monday of two weeks before the Guild Meeting. Please email or call Joanne Kavanagh 345-2269.

mail to: [kavanagh@tbaytel.net](mailto:kavanagh@tbaytel.net)

## MEETING AGENDA

**November 15, 2021 @ 7:00 pm**  
(zoom will open at 6:00 pm)

*To be held over Zoom – link will be sent in the email with this Quill*

1. Welcome
  2. Program
  3. Show & Tell
  4. Break (Breakout Rooms)
  5. Acceptance of Agenda
  6. Acceptance of Minutes
  7. Executive Reports
  8. Council Reports
  9. New Business
  - 9.1 Honouring our Members
  10. Door Prizes / Adjournment
- Next Meeting: **December 13, 2021** – special guest

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

November, a month to remember.

We have so much to look forward to this month thanks to the hard work of our Council and Executive. A new list of Virtual Sew Days is posted, sign up now and join us. The great Teddy Bear Quilt drop off is happening on November 20 – bring your comfort quilts and placemats too. There will be lots of ideas again to be presented at the Christmas Craft Share on November 28. There is also a special holiday gift to all members being planned for the December meeting. So grateful for all of this hard work and dedication.

Take care everyone, 40 more days until Christmas. That gives us lots of time to finish the projects we have planned and even those last-minute ones we get inspired to start.

Cathy



## CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHARE

Thanks to the members who have stepped forward to present a special project. Don't forget to send an email to [president.tbqg@gmail.com](mailto:president.tbqg@gmail.com) to register for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual – Christmas Craft Share to be held over zoom on **Sunday, November 28 @ 7 pm**. As well, if you have any special recipes you make every year, please consider sending it along to us so we can share it as well. If you are wondering if people would like it, Cindy and I are graciously willing to be your taste testers. If you have any questions please contact Cindy Cockell at [ccockell@tbaytel.net](mailto:ccockell@tbaytel.net) or Cathy Ridley at [president.tbqg@gmail.com](mailto:president.tbqg@gmail.com).

Cathy and Cindy

## POSTCARD CHALLENGE

There are 33 participants and from what I have seen some very cute postcards are coming your way. You can post a picture of your postcard on Instagram under #tbqg\_postcardswap. Delivery information should be out by the time of this reading.

Ellen

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## CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

November 20, is the big day for delivery of your Stuffed animal with a Quilt or a Quilt that needs a stuffed animal.

Please wear a mask.

Do not tie your stuffed animal wrapped in the Quilt.

Make sure all labels are removed from the Stuffed animal.

Do Not put a label on your quilt, these are from Santa.

Drop off is 1-3 pm at Calvary Lutheran Church on the corner of Donald and Edward. Drive around the corner to the parking lot.

Let me or Carol Richards know if you cannot make it that day and we can make arrangements for pick up.

Thank you to everyone who participates in this endeavour.

Peggy Skillen

[pegskillen@tbaytel.net](mailto:pegskillen@tbaytel.net)





## CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE





## VIRTUAL SEW DAYS

We will once again be gathering for virtual sew days. For member who is interested in joining one of these days, there is no program, just log on - the rest is up to whatever you want to do.

Next Dates:     **Sunday, November 14. 10 am – 4 pm**  
                      **Wednesday, November 24. 1 – 4 pm**  
                      **Sunday, December 5. 10 am – 4 pm**  
                      **Wednesday, December 15. 1 – 4 pm**

Please send an email to [president.tbqg@gmail.com](mailto:president.tbqg@gmail.com) to register. A zoom link will be sent out a few days before the date.

## SEW DAYS

Our last Sew Day was Saturday November 6 at the Vickers Heights Community Centre. Hopefully we can plan more in the New Year. Stay tuned! If you are interested in participating in any future Sew Days contact Ellen Lang at [ellen\\_lang@tbaytel.net](mailto:ellen_lang@tbaytel.net) to have your name added to the wait list.

Ellen

## QUILT BEE

We will be planning for a Quilt Bee Event in the winter (January or March).

In the meantime, I'd like to encourage anyone who is interested in practicing their piecing or machine quilting, to contact Adrienne Lopes ([alopes@tbaytel.net](mailto:alopes@tbaytel.net)) to obtain a kit. Kits include fabric and a pattern all ready to assemble. They are beginner friendly and a lot of fun. You will receive all fabric required and the instructions to make the quilt top. We can work together to determine what size you would like to make and what colours you might like to work with.

I have one hospice size kit ready using precuts from the new Accuquilt. It goes together very smoothly and no additional trimming of triangles! If you like red and white quilts, this one is for you. Let me know if you want to work on this kit.

If you are interested in practicing your machine quilting, a good place to practice is on a charity quilt. Adrienne has batting and backing fabrics available and many quilt tops or panels that can be used to practice your machine quilting. Many are lap size – please don't be concerned that they are large. Reach out to Adrienne to discuss sizes and options. So many of our quilt tops are sitting waiting to be quilted so they can be enjoyed by the community.

As plans become possible for the Quilt Bee, Adrienne will reconvene the Quilt Bee Committee to plan the event. If you are interested in volunteering on this committee, please let Adrienne know. Thank you!

Adrienne Lopes ([alopes@tbaytel.net](mailto:alopes@tbaytel.net))

Quilt Bee Chair





## LIBRARY REPORT

The Library will be offering the following books and rulers for signing out for the month of November. Please email [mcwatson@tbaytel.net](mailto:mcwatson@tbaytel.net) to reserve an item. This is being offered on a "first come first serve" basis with one request per person. Feel free to request more than one item in the event your first choice is not available. An email will be sent to confirm your request and where to pickup. Please be double vaccinated to pickup books in order to protect my household.

### The following books are available to reserve:

1. **Modern Quilt Bible:** Over 100 Techniques and Design Ideas for the Modern Quilter by Elizabeth Betts
2. **Quilt Modern Curves & Bold Stripes:** 15 Dynamic Projects for All Skill Levels by Heather Black
3. **Step-by-Step Texture Quilting,** 65 NEW Free-Motion & Walking-Foot Designs by Christina Cameli
4. **Successful Scrap Quilts from Simple Rectangles** by Judy Turner and Margaret Rolfe
5. **Gemology Transforming Fabrics into Facets** by Andrea Tsang Jackson
6. **Quilt Modern Curves & Bold Stripes,** 15 Dynamic Projects of All Skill Levels by Heather Black and Daisy Aschehoug
7. **Kaffe Fassett's Quilt Romance,** 20 Designs from Rowan for Patchwork and Quilting
8. **Patchwork & Quilting Basics** by Jo Avery

### The following rulers are available to reserve:

1. Non-Slip Pineapple Trim Tool (6", 8", 10")
2. Quick Curve Ruler (large)
3. Quick Curve Mini Ruler and Runner Pattern (4 x 7)
4. Tucker Trimmer
5. Wing Clipper
6. Add-A-Quarter Plus (12" ruler)

### This is the schedule:

Reserve items by email from the day of reading the Quill to Tuesday, November 16th (day after the meeting). Confirmation of the reserve will be sent Tuesday evening Nov. 16th.

Pick up items on November 17th, between 1 to 2 pm from 226 Moodie Street West or phone to make special arrangements.

Return items on Friday, December 10th to 226 Moodie Street West, drop-off to mailbox.

submitted by Wendy Royston and Maria Watson, Library Chairpersons

## MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

On Saturday, November 20, we will be collecting your completed placemats at the same time and place as the teddy bear quilt collection. These will be distributed to Jasper Place residents and Meals on Wheels clients before Christmas. If you need labels to attach to your placemats, please contact us. We will also be distributing more kits and labels on the 20th, and look forward to seeing your wonderful creations then.

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy

## NORTHCOTT CHALLENGE

I have the challenge quilts back from the library and they are available for pick up. Each member who submitted a challenge quilt also received a \$25 gift certificate from Circle of Friends Quilt Shoppe. The museum was very impressed with our challenge quilts. Some comments that we received from the museum viewers were that they liked seeing local talent along with the travelling show and some viewers even liked our quilts better.

Ellen



# Lonestar Quilt Workshop

January 22, 2022  
10am-4pm

**MISTER DOMESTIC**

We are thrilled to announce another amazing workshop coming on January 22, 2022. In this workshop, Mathew Boudreaux of **Mister Domestic** walks us through the steps to creating this beautiful LoneStar quilt. This quilt design looks much more complicated and intricate than it actually is – so – get ready to master this quilt design with Mister Domestic's excellent quilting tricks and tips.

Price : \$75 (includes pattern)

Capacity : 25 people max

Payment Deadline : December 10, 2021

Registration will be open from November 16 -30, 2021

\*Please note: Lottery system will be used if more than 25 members register. You will be notified by email if you have been randomly selected for this class.

Please do NOT send payment upon registration!!



# Program 2021 / 2022

NOVEMBER 2021 UPDATE

Have you ever thought about designing your own quilt? You can do it! This month we walk you through quilt planning and some thoughts on quilt math to help you with planning a quilt project.

During the program this month we talk about a few great resources that we recommend that you check out.

## POLKADOT CHAIR

Polk a Dot Chair Planner

<https://www.polkadotchair.com/free-printable-monthly-project-planner-pages/>

Quilters Cache – Block Library

[www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com)



**QuiltingCalc**  
Handmade Interactive LLC

OPEN



Robert Kaufman Ap for Fabric Calculations

Check your cell phone or tablet ap store.



Blossom Heart Quilts – HST Cutting Guides

<http://www.blossomheartquilts.com/2012/07/hst-tutorial-and-maths-formula/>

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## November Program

### An Introduction to the Quilt Along

This month we've highlighted some key things that go into our quilt planning and the methodology we both use to plan original quilts. We encourage you to check out all of the great resources that we talk about and a few more... Use what help you and take the leap into planning your own creations!

## What's Planned for December?

Special Guest Lecture

Mister Domestic

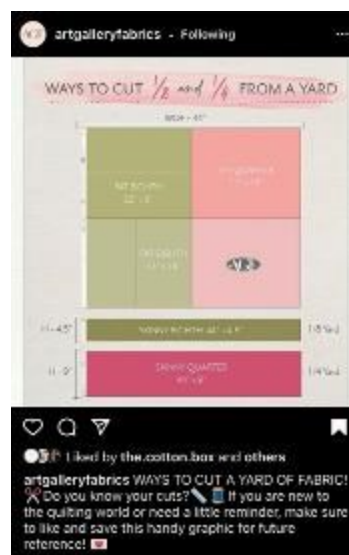
(Mathew Boudreaux)



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NOVEMBER 2021 UPDATE

Here's a few more resources that we have found that might help you with quilt planning:



All People Quilt has a great number of resources on their website similar to this Backing Yardage Guide. [Tips | AllPeopleQuilt.com](https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/tips/) [Easy Yardage Converter | AllPeopleQuilt.com](https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/easy-yardage-converter/)

Art Gallery Fabrics also has some great resources on their social media and You Tube, including a bunch of free patterns on their website. [Quilting and Sewing Tutorials - Art Gallery Fabrics \(liveartgalleryfabrics.com\)](https://www.liveartgalleryfabrics.com/)

## Quilt Along and Patterns

We hope you are enjoying the Quilt Along this year.

Remember that we are available to answer questions by email and we can always set up a zoom call with anyone who needs some clarification, discussion or extra help with program or the quilt along. If you are not getting your quilt along emails, kindly let us know and we will do our best to rectify. Some people have been having them go to their junk or spam folders. Others are not getting them. We appreciate your patience and hope that you understand that we are doing our best to get you the information in a timely manner. The files will also be uploaded to Facebook to allow you to get them if you are not getting the emails.

Program.tbqg@gmail.com

Adrienne Lopes and Mary Catharine Kennedy

# Quilt-a-Long

We have designed another Quilt-a-Long and both of us made our quilts with different fabrics to show you the possibilities with this pattern.

Patterns for this quilt will be provided each month to members by email after the meeting.

This quilt along is beginner friendly. You can choose to make the quilt as shown but you have some choices. Corner blocks can be applique, pieced, one of each, or just insert a large square of a feature fabric—maybe that large print you’ve loved but didn’t want to cut up. This is the perfect way to showcase it.

**We encourage you to join in the fun!**

Pick your fabrics and post your choices on Facebook or send us an email. We’d love to see your plans.

**Final Quilt Size is planned to be 58 x 58 inches.**

## SAMPLE QUILTS FOR THE 2021/2022 QAL



**Mary-Catharine's Sample Quilt**

This multicolour quilt was created with a collection of scrap fabrics that were chosen based on a colour pallet of pink, green and yellow. Kona snow was chosen for the background.

Mary Catharine chose to make the applique blocks for the corner stone blocks.



**Adrienne's Sample Quilt**

This sample quilt was created with a selection of fat quarters chosen to match a specific focus fabric (sunflowers). The background is Essex Linen in Charcoal

Adrienne chose to make the pieced blocks for the corner stone blocks. .

## COMFORT QUILTS

Greetings,

Like you, we have been busy with making our teddy bear quilts. We were also able to collect 9 bed-sized and 4 nap quilts since the October meeting. Thank you.

If you have any finished Comfort quilts, orphan blocks (minimum 8" square), and/ or 12.5" quilted squares, they can be brought on November 20th for collection at the teddy bear quilt drop off. We hope to be able to include making fidget quilts at a future quilt bee and the orphan blocks can be used in making small fidget quilts, including taggy blankets. We still have some starter materials bagged for anyone interested in making a fidget. Many examples are available on the website and internet. The key consideration is to make them safe for frequent washings and if you have fun with it - others will likely enjoy it too.

### Recommended Quilt Sizes

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| Neo Natal   | 36" x 36"       |
| Crib        | 34 to 36" x 36" |
| Wheel Chair | 36" x 48"       |
| Nap Quilt   | 40" x 55 - 60"  |
| Bed         | 63 to 65" x 80" |
| Dignity     | 72" x 84"       |

Please consider joining the Comfort Quilt Committee to help with the collection and distribution within our community. Our list of facilities also needs to be reviewed and updated so your ideas are welcomed. The aim is to supply facilities where the quilts will benefit multiple users such as the hospice and seniors' programs. Let us know if you have contact information for any new locations to be considered.

Pat Inch and Florence Poster, on behalf of the Committee





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