

# THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

# QUILTERS' QUILL

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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

**January 17, 2022 @ 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
  10. Door Prizes / Adjournment
- Next Meeting: **February 21, 2022**

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year everyone. Although it feels like déjà vu, it is also the time of new beginnings. Me, I resolve to use my nice stuff. I often find myself hesitating to use the beautiful threads or fabric – saving it for what? This year, I'm using them.

We once again find ourselves in lock down but luckily, we all still have some UFO's or stacks of fabric to play with. If you are feeling like you want company, join one of our virtual sew days. We sign in from our sewing rooms and spend time together sharing our projects, ideas and fellowship.

There are also some plans for upcoming lectures and a couple of workshops. 2022 – bring it on!

Cathy



## VIRTUAL SEW DAYS

Join us for our a virtual sew day. This is for any member who is interested in sewing with in a virtual room of other quilters. There is no program, just log in - the rest is up to whatever you want to do.

Next Dates: **Wednesday, January 26. 1 – 4 pm**  
**Sunday, February 6. 10 am – 4 pm**  
**Wednesday, February 16. 1 – 4 pm**  
**Sunday, February 27. 10 am – 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.

## SWAPS

The swap committee is presently looking at some ideas for a spring swap. More information to follow either at the January guild zoom meeting or by email to each member.

Submitted by Ellen Lang

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## SEW DAYS

Due to the upturn in Covid cases the February 5 Sew Day has been cancelled. The next Sew Day is scheduled for April 2 at the Vickers Heights Community Centre. If you would like your name added to the invite list, please contact Ellen Lang at [ellen\\_lang@tbaytel.net](mailto:ellen_lang@tbaytel.net). As our numbers are limited to 12 not everyone will be able to attend each sew day. For your information, one table per person, masks to be worn when moving around the room but can be removed when sitting at your table and proof of vaccine is required.

Submitted by Ellen Lang

## NORTHCOTT CHALLENGE

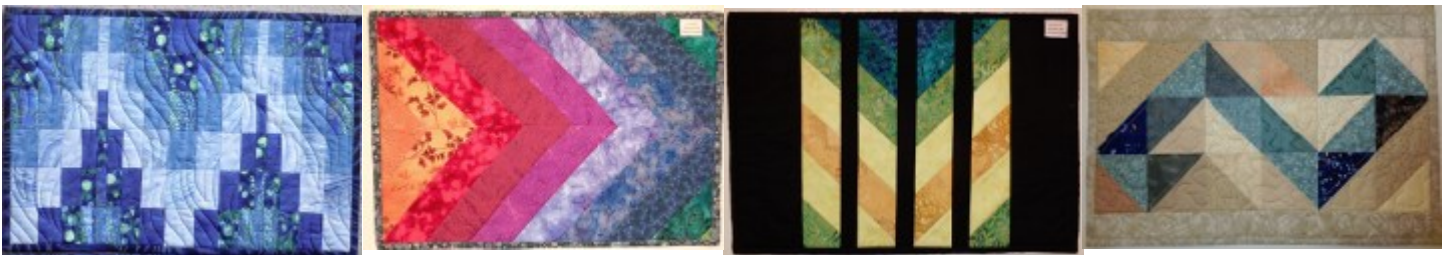
Pictures were submitted to Northcott to show the results of their generous donation of fabric for our last challenge and their reply was “WOW!! The art that has been created by your members is simply amazing!” All the challenge quilts are back with their owners and each participating person received a \$25 gift card from Circle of Friends. The money for the gift cards was raised through the sale of fat quarters and fat eights of the challenge fabric.

Submitted by Ellen Lang

## MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Once again it looks like we will be spending lots of quality time at home in the immediate future. Perhaps you would like to make some placemats using your scraps and try out some machine quilting or designing skills in the process. If you need labels, please contact Doris ([dorisd@tbaytel.net](mailto:dorisd@tbaytel.net)) to make arrangements to receive some. For inspiration see pictures of some recently donated placemats below, and don't forget the many simple patterns we have on the guild's placemat web page. Happy New Year!

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy



## LIBRARY REPORT

With the announcement of the current shutdown, we have decided to suspend the reopening of the library. Should the situation change at a later date, we will revisit this decision.

submitted by Wendy Royston and Maria Watson

## QUILT BEE

We still hope to be able to host an in-person Quilt Bee on March 19/20 and will be monitoring public health requirements and making a final decision in early March. In the meantime, we have new, fun, quick and easy kits and patterns pulled together. These 4 photos show some of the newest kits we have assembled. Contact Adrienne to make arrangements to get a kit, complete with the fabrics and pattern.

As always, if you are interested in finishing quilts we have quilt tops, batting and backing ready to go. Various sizes are available for finishing. Contact Adrienne to make arrangements to get what you need to complete any donation quilt. Some people have been practicing their quilting at Sew Flippin' Creations by working on charity quilts. If you are planning to do this, please let Adrienne and Katrina know in advance.

Thank you

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

Quilt Bee Chair



# Program 2021 / 2022

JANUARY 2022 UPDATE

Happy New Year! It's the time of year when Guild members are asked to start thinking about taking on one of the positions on the Executive. This spring President, Vice President & Program are all up for grabs. Last summer we sat down and chatted about what doing these jobs has meant to us and why we think they're valuable. Being a member of the Executive truly gives you an opportunity to shape your Guild. We know Katrina and Kellyann will welcome you with open arms.

We've tried to answer questions about how our positions work, what we've learnt and some tips for taking them on. Of course if you have any questions for us please don't hesitate to email

Cathy at [president.tbqg@gmail.com](mailto:president.tbqg@gmail.com)

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Or us at [program.tbqg@gmail.com](mailto:program.tbqg@gmail.com)

We hope you talk to your friends and seriously consider taking on one of these roles.

Adrienne Lopes and Mary Catharine Kennedy



What's Planned for  
February?

**Beyond Quilting Cotton**

Join us as we explore using  
different fabrics in our quilts.



## A ZOOM EVENING WITH SARAH GOER

**FEBRUARY 12, 2022 7PM**

### **Developing a Creative 100 Day Project**

Sarah has participated in numerous 100 Day Projects with varying parameters. She will share her process and experience with these projects, including what worked and what didn't work for her. Sarah will also share tips for how to tailor your 100 Day Project to suit your life and creative journey, even if you don't think you have time.

# 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. .

CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



## COMFORT QUILTS

Happy New Year,

Now I can focus on some unfinished projects and work on keeping my resolutions - or some of them.

If you have some extra time, you can try making a figit or two. Checkout pattern suggestions on the internet and the Guild website. There is a high demand for these small activity squares to help relive stress and boredom for seniors experiencing lockdown once again. Let me know if you are in need of some starter materials.

Hopefully we will be able to hold a quilt bee this winter to work on donation quilts of all sizes. In the interim, if you need labels or have finished donation quilts, please let us know and we can organize pickup or drop off arrangements.

Please remember that comfort quilts are laundered frequently so check that binding is securely sewn and that you can touch stitching wherever you place your hand on the quilt.

If you would like to join the committee or have suggestions for new facilities in need of comfort quilts, let us know. New members are always welcome and we prioritize where the quilts are taken based on the needs, type of use, and previous donations. Places such as the hospice where quilts benefit multiple users are preferred.

Thanks,

Pat Inch, Florence Poster, Iris Maxwell, Carol Richards and Jeannette Dann

### 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"       |



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