



Marathon Quilter's Newsletter

Our first meeting in autumn will be held on Tuesday, **October 10, 2017**, 6:30 p.m. for greetings, 7:00 p.m. for the formal start, at Faith Community Church, 146 E. Main Street, Hopkinton. Hope everyone can make it!*

Notes from the President:

If you haven't already paid for this year's membership, please bring cash or check for \$25 with you.

Here's is an updated list of the guild's positions and what still needs to be filled. Please sign up for a position, including a job for the 2018 Quilt Show. This guild wouldn't exist without the generosity of its volunteers.

Our 2017-18 Board members are as follows:

Officers/Executive Board:

President: Yvonne Powell

Vice President: Jean Bertschmann

Treasurer/Membership: Christine Meyers

Operating Board:

Programs: Jean Bertschmann, Kelsey Ullman, Colleen Barnes

Historian: Denise Antaki

Newsletter: Cathleen Dinsmore

Web Master: Dawn Stewart

Ad Hoc:

Charitable projects: Becky MacDonald

Retreat 2018: Karen Swiech

Quilt Show 2018 Chair: Cathleen Dinsmore

Quilt Show 2018 Vice-Chair: Jean Bertschmann

Raffle Quilt 2018 Team: Kelsey Ullman, Chair, with Kerry Creswell and Nancy Burdick

Raffle Baskets Team: Dawn Stewart and Michele Lung
Hanging Design/Room Setup for the show: Colleen Barnes and Linda Grant
Award Ribbons for the Show: Karen Swiech
MQ Boutique Team: Nancy Burdick and Yvonne Powell
Detail Team for the show: Kerry Creswell
Show Team: Janice Roberts, Dawn Stewart and Kerry Creswell
Publicity Team: _____

A Message from the Programs Committee and Our October Meeting

We are off to a great start this year, and looking forward to a fun October meeting!

- Jean and Kelsey will be sharing Triangle Tips and Techniques, with a surprise show and tell at the end.
- We will be drawing names for our Secret Valentine project. If you haven't signed up, but would like to participate, please e-mail Jean at jeanber65@hotmail.com with your name, email and mailing address by Sunday, October 8th.
- There will be a sign up for the November Road Trip to the Paradise City Festival on November 18. <https://festivals.paradisecityarts.com/shows/marlborough-november-show>

What you need to bring:

- A check for \$30, payable to Marathon Quilt Guild, if you are participating in the Timna Tarr workshop.
- Show and Tell
- Your completed Quilt Entry Form(s), which you can find at the very end of this newsletter, for each of the quilts or fiber art that you would like to display at our 2018 show. Please print it out and bring to the meeting or complete and email to csdinsmore@gmail.com.

Marathon Quilt Show 2018

As we announced at our September meeting, the favorite theme voted upon was "Common Threads" for our 2018 quilt show. As you make your quilts or think about quilts you've already made that you'd like to display in our next show, please think about how your quilt reflects this theme. What do we have in common? Is it to bridge gaps, to share a common passion, to show respect and acceptance to everyone? How do you want to get a discussion going among the community about "Common Threads" as the public views your quilts? What do you want to convey about what threads everyone together? Whatever it is, we hope you have fun contemplating as you create between now and next summer.

Regardless of the theme choice, please be prepared to tell Cathleen at or by the October meeting about the quilts you'd like to display at the September 15 & 16, 2018 show at the HCA. This will help the show team plan accordingly. **You'll find the entry form at the very end of this newsletter.** Please fill one out for each quilt and fill it as completely as possible, updating it if the information given changes between now and next summer.

The HCA is very excited not only about the guild's show and our theme of "Common Threads," but also our acceptance of participating in a separate month-long exhibit of our quilts and other fiber art for sale! This exhibit will be held in the entrance gallery of the HCA during the month of September 2018. This will be a wonderful opportunity to try to sell your quilts or other fiber art and for the guild to publicize its quilt show more widely. For each quilt or other fabric art you sell, the HCA will receive 30% of the sale price. The quilts can range from very small to no longer than 6' for height, but with any width. Quilts will need a temporary sleeve fastened by safety pins for a rod to be inserted for hanging. This is a juried art show, so the HCA will ultimately choose which pieces to display. In being selective, the HCA's goal is to choose pieces that complement each other and arranging them so they shine and stun. It is not a judgment of what is "good" but rather a search for a juxtaposition of pieces that will result in an exhibit that flows. Should a few submissions not be chosen by the HCA for the gallery, we will display them in the quilt show as long as there is space.

Marathon Quilters on FACEBOOK

Join Marathon Quilter's Facebook Group. . . Search for Marathon Quilters and submit a request to join. This is a great place to share pictures of what you are working on, inspiration or ideas you think the group would be interested in and ask questions of the group.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!! Our October Birthday Girls . . . Karen, Laima, Michele and Yvonne!

If I ever leave anyone out, please let me know so I can make sure you won't be left out again.

* For what it's worth, here's where this quilt image can be found:

<http://autumnposterspicture.blogspot.com/2013/09/autumn-quilt-patterns.html>. There are other beautiful autumn quilts shown there, too.