Marathon Quilters Newsletter

JUNE, 2025



Marathon Quilters June 2025 Potluck

Please click on the link and RSVP to the June Social. Check the available slots in the link and click on the button to sign up. See you in the Café area of the church. Thank you!

Official Business

Linda will present the recommendation of executive team for our 2025-2026 budget at the June meeting for a vote of approval. There will be a guick review 2024-2025 and time for guestions.

Summer Celebration of New England Quilts

• At our last meeting we selected Karen's quilt to represent the guild at the New England Quilt Museum Showcase (August 12 - September 6,). The Showcase will display works from the many dynamic quilt guilds located in the New England region.



Marathon Quilters SUMMER 2025 Challenge

Part 1 in a Four Seasons Challenge is Summer! Each Season, we will make a banner of the season. At the end, you'll have one for Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring. (We'd like to hang everyone's banners at our show).

Specifics – Each banner quilt should be 9" wide and 36" long and hang vertically. Embellishments and tassels or whatever may extend beyond the 36". Applique, piecing, paper piecing, embellishments – any technique! It can be a standard block, modern, abstract, art quilting – anything goes! Please avoid holiday themes. Summertime patriotic is fine, but no specific 4th of July.

SUMMER – Think HOT colors! Use the following colors: Blue, Bright Yellow, Orange, Red, Purple, Medium Green and White and/or Black. It does not have to be solids, but please use only the colors recommended. Prints that "read" those colors are great.

Michelle will post the colors for the rest of the seasons later –now, just focus on SUMMER! I KNOW you can do it and would LOVE 100% participation. Get busy –our September meeting for the reveal! Any questions? Contact Michelle Banton <u>michelle@LittlePupDesigns.com</u>

2026 Marathon Quilters Quilt Show Challenge – "Freedom of Expression"

July 4th, 2026 marks the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. That statement of freedom spells out our nation's principles and asserts all people are equal, have rights and can challenge their government when it fails to uphold their rights. This anniversary inspires pause and reflection on our nation's past and future.

The Quilt Show Challenge invites current and former members to submit a quilted artwork using the Declaration of Independence's themes of freedom, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for inspiration.

Rules:

- * The challenge is meant to celebrate the American spirit. It should feature Red, White and Blue but other colors may be incorporated.
- * Quilts can be 24" to 96" in width and 24" to 96" in length (portrait or landscape orientation).
- * One entry form and quilt per person or team is eligible. **Quilt Show Challenge will be a Google doc
- * Quilts completed between January 1, 2020, and December 31, 2025 are eligible.
- * The entry form deadline is December, 31, 2025.
- * On the back of the quilt, please sew 4" hanging sleeve for hanging and a label with quiltmaker's name, year, and title of the quilt (lower left corner of the back)
- *On the entry form, please list all quilters involved in the making of the quilt.
- * Quilting by hand, machine, or both is expected. Quilting is defined as a running stitch that passes through a top, middle layer, and backing fabric.
- * Quilts should be titled and a short-written description of your inspiration.

June Birthday Girl - Kerry Creswell

POLYARTS is Coming - September 6 - sign-up to help in the link below.

et-up Summary from the Hopkinton Polyarts organizers: Polyarts will not be cancelled due to bad weather. Festival will continue. RAIN OR SHINE. Set-up begins it 7 am. NO EARLIER DUE TO TOWN REGULATIONS. Vehicles are not allowed on the Common. We appreciate unloading your vehicle and moving it away from the common to allow customer parking. After unloading your tens., park behand Center School. A volunteer will direct on. Bring your own chairs, tables and canopies and/or free-standing displays. Canopy tents and weights are mandatory. No stakes allowed. We suggest using milk jugs filled with water or sand weight own your canopy poles. No electricity waidable.
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Marathon Quilters Guild PolyArts Booth Coverage Sign-up Sheet **Saturday**, **September 6th, 2025 Hopkinton Common** Event runs from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Set-up 8:30 – 10:00 Take down 4:10 – 5:00 Coverage 10:00 -12:00 Coverage 12-2:00 Coverage 2:00 -4:00 docs.google.com

Framingham History Center Quilt

Fellow quilters and artists. My name is Barbara and as a member of County Line Quilters, I am working with the Framingham History Center on a very exciting program. This is a two-day sewing project (June 28-29, 2025) with the objective of creating a quilt to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. We will be creating quilt blocks and assembling them into one large quilt that will travel throughout the region. We would like to have quilters from throughout New England participate in this meaningful and important program. The speakers throughout the weekend include both quilters and historians discussing the significance of textile art throughout history. The programming will be enriching and enjoyable. Please register to be a part of this amazing project:

https://secure.qgiv.com/for/quiltingcotillions/event/937188/package/3725293



Notes on donations to the Boutique

- In the Boutique, all of the items are made by Guild members and DONATED to the Guild to sell at the Quilt Show.
- 100% of the sale of each item is kept by the Guild.
- Materials to make the sale items are made with Guild stash fabrics and or member purchased/donated materials.
- Finished items are handed in at a pre-determined time to the Boutique Coordinators for them to price and put out for sale.
- Pricing will be determined by the Angelines and Nancy using historical sales data and online research with the goal of selling as much as possible over the two days of the Quilt Show.
- Prices will NOT be reduced over the course of the Show.
- All unsold items will be offered to be returned to the maker UNLESS the maker directs the us to keep the items in the Boutique inventory.

Farmer's Market, Polyarts and other "Booth" events

- Handmade items for these events will be a combination of Boutique inventory AND "Consignment creations" handmade items offered for a profit split sale.
- Consignment creations are handmade by Guild members and provided to Angelines and Nancy for them to price and set out for sale.
- Consignment creations are made using the makers supplies.
- Consignment creations will be priced for sale BUT a price by the maker can be honored.
- The sale profits will be split 50% for the member and 50% for the Guild for these items.

Check us out on the Web www.marathonquilters.com
Email - marathonquilters@groups.io.

^{*}Creating for donation or consignment is NOT a requirement.

^{**}At each meeting, the Angelines and/or Nancy will give an update on what inventory they have and what more they think will be good sales items for members to consider. The intention is to have a well curated, tasteful display at each sales opportunity.