



Gate City Quilt Guild Gazette

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April 2026 GCQG Presidents Message



Happy Spring!

Which means it's time to kick everything in gear for the quilt show this fall! The rules and categories have been emailed to everyone, so be getting your quilts ready. Betsy has gathered items for the boutique and points out that we particularly need baby items. Please consider making some burp cloths, bibs, "baby blankets", and other items that might appeal to our customers as baby gifts. And don't forget about making a challenge quilt! Seems like we'll all be busy!

Thanks to those who have taken the raffle quilt to shows around the area to sell tickets. Karin is right: we need more people to participate in this rather than sending the same ones every time. If you help with the raffle quilt at someone else's quilt show you also get to view their quilts (and shop their sales) without having pay admission. And of course you help raise money to help pay for our guild's programs and activities. Please consider helping with at least one show. You can contact Karin at: kcartlid@gmail.com to find out about upcoming shows where our raffle quilt will be shown.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon! Thank you for all you do!
Mary

March 5th, 2025
Meeting at Fellowship Hall at C.U.C.C.
(6:30pm visiting, meeting begins at 7pm)



Vickie Contz will be our speaker for the April meeting.

Vickie's emphasis will be on using wool in quilting and sewing projects. She employs the traditional blanket stitch to appliqué her needle felted wool designs. Her samples will appear prominently in this fun and creative evening.

Zippy Bags Workshop

March 31, 2026
Fellowship Hall at CUCC starting at 10:00am



This is a great opportunity to bring together up to 20 Guild members for a class with a purpose, free of charge. We will be making a large bag during class that we offer to Boutique for the Quilt Show. The other bag making supplies will be yours to take home and make for yourself. Come sew with other Gate City Quilt Guild members and have a good time. Judie Bringhurst will be our instructor and promises that she can teach you to put in a zipper easily. Who doesn't need a little reminding? You can complete the first bag during the workshop in about an hour, but can run up to six hours, if members need some extra time. Any workshop needs for those signed up will be announced closer to the date and will be minimal, as the majority of the supplies have been donated by Judie. Members signed up should bring the typical workshop tools.



Please email mpooz@bellsouth.net to sign up or on the sign-up sheet at the March meeting. (Pictures are sample of what a bag will look like not the actual fabric that will be used)

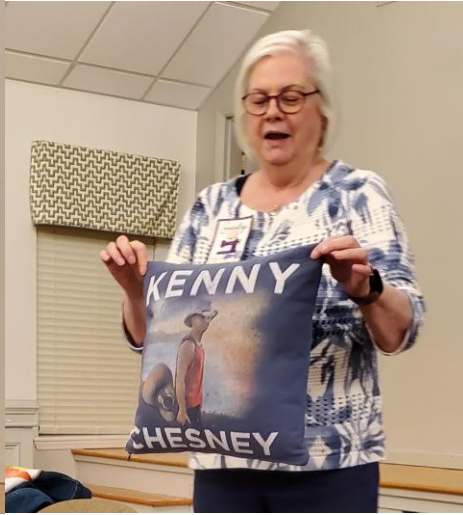
Photos from our March meeting

It was so nice to see everyone, great turnout with a nice collection of amazing quilts, Pillow, Sailor Bear and Quilt Con attire.









List of Program Presentations for 2026

(Program speakers may be in person or virtual)

March - Dana Jones, The International Honor Quilt: Women Remembering Women. <https://www.danajonesquilts.com/>

March Workshop (3/31/2026) - Workshop with Judie Bringhurst, Zippy Bags

April – (**ZOOM ONLY**) Vicki Clontz, Walk on the Wool Side, <https://www.annieskeepsakes.com/about-us.htm>

April Workshop (4/18/2026) - Workshop with Annette Ornella, <https://www.southwindquilts.com/about-us.htm>

May - Frances Arnold, Challenge of Challenges, <https://francesquilts.com/>

June - Lisa Sewart Quilting with African Fabrics, <https://www.cultureexpressions.com/about-lisa>

July - PICNIC

August - MJ Kinman, Smithsonian Series Trunk Show. <https://mjkinman.com/>

September – TBD

October – Debbie Henry (Cary Quilting Company), Landscapes

November - Sandy Fitzpatrick Why Didn't I Think of That? <https://hissyfitzdesigns.squarespace.com/about>

November Workshop (Date TBD) - Workshop Making the Most of Your Machine Applique

December – Holiday Party

HELP NEEDED

You arrive for a guild meeting and the room is set up and ready to go. After the meeting you say your goodbyes and head home. It's not magical chairs that suddenly appear, Laurie and I show up early to set up chairs and the TV for Zoom and are the last ones to leave after everything has been put away.

We NEED HELP. If you are available (and able) to set up chairs at 6:00 p.m. we could use your help. The same with after the meeting. Thanks to those of you who have helped in the past to put away chairs and tables after the meetings. We would like to see others get involved with set up and breakdown to share the load. Give it some thought and join us at 6:00 or hang around after the meeting. We know some of you are not able to lift and carry so think about how you might help out at the meetings.

Gate City Quilt Show
“A Celebration of Quilting”

October 16 and 17, 2026

Congregational United Church of Christ
400 W. Radiance Drive, Greensboro, NC

Show Hours:

Friday, October 16---9:30-5:00

Saturday, October 17---9:30-5:00

For more information go to: www.gatecityquiltguild.org

Raffle Quilt: “Starburst”



2026 Gate City Quilt Challenge

Songs of America

While we celebrate our nation's 250th anniversary, you are challenged to create a quilt centered around a song with "America" somewhere in the title or lyrics. There are so many songs to choose from, so look for lyrics that spark an idea for a quilt. Aim for making your song apparent to the viewers, but don't include the song title on the quilt unless it is part of your design element. Do include your song title on your label. To give you an idea of what to look for, here are some songs that could be considered:

America (there are many, by artists such as Simon and Garfunkel, Neil Diamond, Madonna, to name a few)

America the Beautiful

American Pie

American Honey

American Soldier

American Woman

Color Me America

Living in America

Born in the USA

We're an American Band

There are so many more! Google is your friend.

Rules:

- Width no greater than 25 inches (must be hung on this end)
- Length no greater than 44 inches
- 3 layers: top, batting and backing
- Quilted by hand or machine
- Any technique(s) and materials
- 3" hanging sleeve
- The challenge is open to Gate City Quilt Guild members only
- GCQG requests the right to display entries for up to two months following the show

Any questions? Ask Kathy Haver kathaver@yahoo.com or 419-601-0043

2026 Quilt Show - Quilt Registration

We will have a new on-line quilt registration for the 2026 Quilt Show. More information will be coming in the March Newsletter. Registration for your quilt entrees will open in March or early April

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Volunteers are needed for the following Raffle Quilt Showings in the months of April and May. If you are able to volunteer to sell raffle tickets and drive to the following quilt shows please contact Karen Cartlidge, 304-279-1296 or kcartlid@gmail.com.

April 2, 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., **Uncle Eli's Quilt Party** (Check it out on Facebook), Eli Whitney Recreation Center, 4110 East Greensboro-Chapel Hill Road, Graham, NC. Two people are needed, including the driver.

May 1, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., **Central Carolina Quilt Fair** (Salisbury-Rowan Quilters Guild), Cardinal Room, West End Plaza, Salisbury, NC. Two to three people are needed, including the driver.

May 1, 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. and **May 2**, Noon - 10:00 p.m. **Spring Folly Festival**, Kernersville Arts and Craft Guild, Kernersville, NC. Our display will be under a tent on the main street. Check it out: Spring Folly/KCC-Kernersville Chamber of Commerce. Three people are needed each day, including the driver.

May 11, 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. **Forsyth Piecers & Quilters Guild, Guild Meeting**, Parkway Presbyterian Church, 1000 Yorkshire Road, Winston Salem, NC. Two people are needed, including the driver.

Contact Karen Cartlidge, 304-279-1296 or kcartlid@gmail.com.

Our 2026 Quilt Show is now advertised on quiltguilds.com, our Facebook site, and on Gate City's webpage. Check it out.

2026 Gate City Quilt Show
“A Celebration of Quilting”
October 16-17, 2026

Calendar of Events

September 1	Deadline for quilt show entries
September 3	Last opportunity for delivery of quilts at Guild meeting 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. Registration fees must be paid at time of delivery.
September 19	Hand-deliver quilts to CCUC. Registration fees must be paid at time of delivery.
October 13	Quilt Judging
October 17	Quilt pick up starts no earlier than 5:30 p.m. in Sanctuary of CUCC

Rules and Categories

The quilts in this show are not juried.

1. The maker(s) of a cloth quilt is eligible to enter. If a group submits a quilt entry, one person (submitting entrant) must complete and sign the entry form on behalf of the group.
2. Entries for categories other than “Display Only” must have been completed after January 1, 2024, and not previously entered in a Gate City Quilt Show.
3. The entry fee is \$5.00 per quilt for current members of the Gate City Quilt Guild and \$10.00 for non-members.
4. All quilts must have a sleeve with an opening of four (4) or more inches sewn to the top back of the quilt. The sleeve must have $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of ease between the outer edge of the sleeve and the quilt back. Exception: Sleeves on Miniatures must be at least 2 inches with $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ inches of ease. The hanging sleeve must be **Sewn**, not pinned to the quilt prior to submission of the quilt to the show. Quilts not in compliance with this rule will **NOT** be accepted.
5. Entry must have a label on the back with the quilt name, maker’s name and address (City and State). This label must have a temporary cover attached with safety pins or **preferably blue painter’s tape**.
6. Odd-shaped quilts and multiple panels must be mounted on black fabric containing a sleeve (see Rule 4). The top portion of these quilts must be sewn securely to the black fabric. The bottom portion should be loose so the judges can examine the back of the quilts. (Quilts with multiple panels hanging side-by-side horizontally may be mounted to a single black sleeve.)
7. Entries must have three (3) layers (top, middle, and backing). Entry must be quilted, not tied, with the following exceptions: crazy quilts, yo-yo quilts, and cathedral windows quilts. Quilting is defined as a running stitch that passes through all three layers.
8. Quilts that require special handling will not be accepted. The determination of whether your quilt meets the “special handling” criteria will be made by the GCQG Quilt Show Committee members upon delivery of your quilt. Example of quilts requiring special handling include, but are not limited to the following:

- A quilt that cannot be stacked and/or folded with other quilts without potentially damaging your quilt or any other quilt in the show.
- A three-dimensional quilt that has pieces that extend more than ½ inch above the surface of the quilt may be disqualified due to the special handling rule, particularly if those extensions are sharp, jagged and/or very large.
- A quilt containing rigid frames, rods, or mounting devices. No special lighting may accompany quilts. No rods may be sewn into the sleeves of quilts.

If you have a question whether your quilt would meet these special handling criteria, please **contact Debbie Feulner at 919-815-4356** or debbie.feulner@gmail.com

9. Your quilt must **NOT** have any strong odors, e.g. smoke, perfume, mothballs, etc. since it will be stacked with other quilts. Any strong odors (as determined by the GCQG Quilt Show Committee members upon delivery of your quilt) may result in immediate disqualification. Quilts also should be free of pet hair.
10. **Challenge quilts require neither an entry fee nor pictures. See the Challenge Quilt Information and Rules in the Guild newsletter.**
11. All entries must hang for the duration of the show. **No exceptions.**
12. Upon submission, the Quilt Show Committee reserves the right to disqualify entries **not** meeting quilt show rules, a determination made at the sole discretion of GCQG. Quilts not in compliance with the rules will be returned to the entrant. The entrant may correct the issue and resubmit if time allows.
13. To prepare your quilt for delivery, fold it and place it in a **Pillowcase**. Use safety pins to attach the “Registrar’s Copy of Receipt” to the exterior of your pillowcase.
14. Be prepared to pay your Registration Fee when you deliver your quilt to the Registrar. Your quilt is not officially entered unless the Registration Fee is paid.

2026 Gate City Quilt Show: Categories & Definitions

Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners and Honorable Mention in categories 1 through 22 below. Please note that a quilt may fit more than one of the following categories. The entrant should select the one category that best fits the quilt. Should a category have too few entries to fill that category, GCQG, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to move those entries to another category and eliminate the underutilized category. Should a category have too many entries, GCQG, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to split that category into two categories. Final placement of an entry in a category will be at the discretion of the appropriate GCQG Show Committee and/or judges.

1. **Applique by hand** – Quilt contains hand applique, Any size.
2. **Applique by machine** – Quilt contains machine applique, Any size.
3. **Pieced Small – Home Machine.** Quilt pieced; quilted on a home machine. **Size:** Less than 50” wide.
4. **Pieced Large – Home Machine.** Quilt pieced; quilted on home machine. **Size:** 50” or larger.
5. **Small Piece - Long-Arm Machine, Computerized.** Quilt pieced; quilted on a long-arm machine using a computerized quilting design. **Size** less than 60” wide.
6. **Pieced Medium – Long-Arm Machine, Computerized.** Quilt pieced; quilted on a long-arm machine using a computerized quilting design. **Size:** Equal to or greater than 60” wide, but less than 75” wide.
7. **Pieced Large – Long-Arm Machine, Computerized.** Quilt pieced; quilted on a long-arm machine using a computerized quilting design, **Size:** 75” or wider.
8. **Pieced Small – Long-Arm Machine, Custom Design.** Quilt pieced; quilted on a long-arm machine using a hand-guided custom quilt design. **Size** less than 60” wide.
9. **Pieced Medium – Long-Arm Machine, Custom Design.** Quilt pieced; Quilted on a long-arm machine using a hand-guided custom quilting design. **Size:** Equal to or greater than 60” wide, but less than 75” wide.
10. **Pieced Large – Long-Arm Machine, Custom Design.** Quilt pieced; quilted on a long-arm machine using a hand-guided, custom quilting design. **Size:** 75” or wider.

11. **Pieced or Applique – Hand Quilted.** Quilt pieced and/or appliqued; quilted by hand. Any size.
12. **Art, Abstract:** Quilt of original form and composition, the emphasis is on color, line, and design. This category features abstract, cutting edge, and non-literal quilts. Any size.
13. **Art Realistic:** Quilts of original form and composition, illustrating a recognizable image such as wildlife, people, landscapes, cityscapes, still life, plants or other objects. Any size.
14. **Modern Style:** High contrast, bold colors, simple shapes, increased use of solid fabric with neutrals as background. May contain reinterpreted traditional blocks, alternative block structures, or a lack of visible block structure. Inspired by art and architecture, frequently uses improvisational piecing; embraces minimalism and simplicity. Any size.
15. **Panel Play:** Any quilt that has a manufactured panel as the focus/center of the quilt. Any size.
16. **Special Quilt Techniques:** Any quilt that does not obviously fit into any other category such as whole cloth quilts, yo-yo's, crazy quilts, cathedral windows, etc. Quilts in this category may also include innovative techniques such as leaf pounding, digitized designs and other computer-aided stitching, as well as embellishments, painted surfaces, embroidery, silk screening, photo transfers, etc. Quilts where quilting is done with computerized embroidery machine should be entered in this category. Any size.
17. **Miniature:** All aspects of the quilt are reduced in scale. Must **not exceed 24"** on any of the four sides. Quilt blocks, if used, must **not exceed 4"**. Keep in mind that a photo of a miniature should look like a full-sized quilt.
18. **Group or Team:** Three (3) or more people creating a quilt.
19. **Scrap:** Quilt that uses 50+ different fabrics.
20. **Block of the Month/Kit:** These quilts are defined as patterns, fabrics, threads, and/or quilting designs packaged as a unit for sale. Kits also include Block of the Month programs where the block fabric is supplied by the vendor.
21. **First Time Entry:** This quilt is the first quilt you have ever entered in a show.
22. **Challenge:** Quilt made using the challenge quilt rules established for the 2026 show by the Quilt Show Committee. **A member only category.**
23. **Display Only:** Members only may display quilts space permitting.

Definitions:

- **Home Machine** includes use of any sewing machine that is table-mounted/stationary (including sit-down mid/long-arm machines), allowing the quilter to move the fabric rather than the machine. If a computerized embroidery machine is used to do the quilting, the quilt should be entered in Category 12 – Special Quilt Techniques.
- **Long-Arm Machine** includes any machine mounted on a frame, allowing the quilter to move the machine head rather than the fabric.
 - **Long-Arm Machine Computerized** means any machine where the quilting design is guided by a computerized pattern.
 - **Long-Arm Custom** means any machine where the quilting is manually guided by the operator to create a custom design.

2026 Quilt Show Committees
Quilt Show Dates: Oct. 16-17, 2026

Chair and Co-chair – Karen Cartlidge, Jane Weinstein

Challenge Quilts - Kathy Haver, Barbara Wolfe

Layout - Valerie Paterson*, Kathy Haver

Publicity - Judie Bringhurst Lisa Cooper

Printing - Melissa Dessent*

Judging - Juli Hurin Mary Puckett

Ribbons - Sandy Gardner*, Lynn Magyar

Cashier - Laurie Shaw, Linda Grogan

Volunteers Registration - Michelle Puzio* Joan O'Donnell*

Silent Auction - Bea Mandel*, Eileen Kane

Yard Sale - Phyllis Griffin, Darcy Benson*

Boutique - Betsy Bopp*, Donna Paulson*

Raffle Baskets - Debbie Walsh, Carol Lejda

Signs - Esther Mayo, Lisa Cooper

Raffle Quilt Inside Sales - Barbara Wolfe

Family Reception - Sue Roth

Quilt Registration - Debbie Feulner*, Heather Brandon

Admissions - Harriet Smalls

* Indicates people who have been on this committee before.

Activities / Sew Hours

We have one last sew hour for March
March 26th Thursday 1-3

April 7th, Tuesday 1-3
April 12th Sunday 2-4
April 23rd Thursday 1-3

Come and join us,
Linda Grogan

Boutique

Please consider making 2 items and donate one to the boutique. As of now we have NO baby items (burp cloth, taggie, changing mat, bib, small quilt) so that's a suggestion of what we need.

Thanks, Betsy



(Taggie)

Community Service / Charity Committee

Charity Quilts

Thank you for all your hard work with providing quilts for those in need. Our goal is 100 quilts. We have quilts in various stages and quilts to be quilted that need your help. If you need anything from batting to backing fabric, let us know.

Juli Hurin, Margaret Dix and Sigrid Kenny

Dog Bed Scraps

Kathy Haver has taken over dog beds and wishes to have you bring your scraps to the parking lot. Also to remember if you have quilt trimmings not to cut them up into small pieces.

Thanks, Kathy Haver

Little House Quilts for Habitat Greensboro

Habitat Greensboro can use another 12 - 15 Little House Quilts for 2026! Please keep sewing your adorable quilts - any size up to 18". Be sure to include a sleeve or hanging tabs on the back of the quilt. Lynn Magyar will collect, add Guild labels and deliver to Habitat for new homeowners.

Thank you!



Silent Auction

We are looking forward to receiving your donations of quilts for our silent auction for our October Quilt Show. Bring your donations to a meeting and give to either Eileen Kane or Bea Mandel. Over the years, we have done very well with baby or children's quilts.

Keep the Silent Auction in mind when you are wondering what to make next!

Thanks - Eileen Kane and Bea Manel

Yard Sale

Donations can be taken at the meeting, please let me know in advance if you are planning on bringing items so we can meet outside for the exchange. Special thank you to the sorters who have come to the rescue, much appreciated.

Darcy Benson and Phyllis Griffin

Membership Committee

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New Members

We gained 4 New members at our March Mtg that we want to Welcome formally. Be sure you make a point of getting to know them & make them feel welcome to the group. At the current count that makes us 75 strong!

- Deborah Hastings, Greensboro, NC
- Alice Van Lennep, Greensboro, NC
- Katie Van Lennep, Greensboro, NC
- Phyllis Tunstall, Greensboro, NC

2026 Dues Reminder by the end of March Please

GCQG Annual Membership Dues for 2026 are due by the end of March. We extended through March due to our local weather that made our February meeting remote.

- Annual membership fee is \$35
- Anyone age 75 or older is \$20.

Thank you to all of you who have paid your dues for 2026. If you are one of the 18 folks that have not paid 2026 dues, I will send a separate e-mail to you, so you will be aware, as it may be an oversight. You may also receive a call from our membership committee. It would be helpful if you reply to my email & let me know your status. Send your check to **P.O. Box 29196, Greensboro, NC 27429-9196**, along with the renewal slip as soon as possible. We will close out our membership list the last of March & update our email group for 2026.

The renewal slip is to ensure accuracy of your information & to be certain we don't miss anyone being marked paid. This does not mean you cannot join after March should you miss the deadline, but we encourage you to do so to prevent you missing any vital guild news and information in the meantime Thanks so much 😊

Bea Mandel, Sandy Gardner, and Becky Hayes



April Birthdays

April 7 Harriett Holt

April 13 Carol Lejda

April 9 Alice Van Lennep

2026 Gate City Quilt Guild Board Officers

Board Officer Title	Board Officer
President	Mary Puckett
President Elect	Phyllis Griffin
Quilt Show Chair	Karen Cartlidge
Quilt Show Co-Chair	Jane Weinstein
Treasurer *	Laurie Shaw
Secretary	Harriett Holt
Newsletter *	Darcy Benson
Website *	Darcy Benson
Historian	Joan O'Donnell
Membership *	Bea Mandel
Membership *	Sandy Gardner
Membership *	Becky Hayes
Publicity	Judie Bringhurst
Publicity	Patricia Tomatore
Charity	Juli Hurin
Charity	Margaret Dick
Charity	Sigrid Kenny
Hospitality	Heather Brandon
Hospitality	Lynn Magyar
Programs (2025-2026)	Michelle Puzio
Programs (2026-2027)	Judie Bringhurst
Activities	Linda Grogan
Parliamentarian	Sue Roth

** Officer positions designated with * indicate roles that require special knowledge and/or skills and may, thus, be filled for more than two consecutive terms.*

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22	23	24	24	26	27	28
			A Collection of 20 Art Quilts by Judi H. Bastion 3-25-5/17	Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm - 3pm		Celebrating National Quilt Month High Point Library
29	30	31				

April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
				April Guild Meeting ZOOM ONLY Uncle Eli's Quilting Party		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm - 3pm			Joined by Stitching: A quilters Art Exhibitions	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Sew Hour (zoom) 2pm - 4pm						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm - 3pm		Brunswick Quilters
26	27	28	29	30		

Out and About News

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Upcoming Quilt Shows and items of interest



**7076 Ramsey St./HWY 401
Fayetteville, NC 28311
(910) 630-3912 Mon-Sat 9 am-5 pm
<https://www.lovingstitches.net>**

April Is Serger Month at Loving Stitches!



All Bernina & bernette Sergers will be on SALE! Serger cabinets available too.
Join us for our special Free Serger Make & Take Event April 19th or 21st, 10am-2pm.
Please register in advance. You will love what you can do with a Serger with our help.

Kimberbell Patriotic Quilt Event April 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th!
Make this 20"x60" ladder quilt. Bring you embroidery machine with a hoop of at least 5"x7."
Embellishment kit available. Call to sign up today!

Check Out Our BIG, Beautiful Newsletter for April, May & June at our website or pick one up at our store. See all the great classes, events & sales we have planned for you!



Arts Quilts Journey
March 11 – May 2, 2026



Trips, vacations, moving from A to B, quests, imaginings, life changes, learning, spiritual awakening, self-discovery. What has been - what is now - what will be your journey? Past, present or future; Make a quilt about your journey. FIBER ARTISTS: Create a multi-layered textile joined by stitching that expresses or represents "Journey". On-line registration of entries opens November 23, 2025, and closes January 23, 2026.

Works will be judged by creativity, originality, striking design, impact, creative use of materials and strong interpretation of the theme, ART QUILTS *journey*. The exhibit will be adjudicated by professional fiber artist Barbara Lee Smith. <https://www.barbaraleesmith.com/>

A Collection of 20 Art Quilts by Judi H. Bastion
March 25 – May 17, 2026



A collection of 20 Art Quilts
by Judi H. Bastion
March 25 - May 17, 2026
Cary Arts Center Gallery
101 Dry Avenue, Cary NC
All quilts will be for sale

Celebrating National Quilt Month
High Point Library
March 28, 2026

Good morning, I am Maxine Days with the High Point Public Library, the library will host a quilt show Saturday March 28, 2026 starting at 10 am - 2 pm at the library. "Celebrating National Quilt Month" The show will be free and open to the public. It is an indoors event, people can purchase raffle tickets for two wall hanger and a twin bed side quilt. Would anyone from your quilt guild would like to enter a quilt in the show. I hope that you would join us for the event - You can reach me at 336 883 3646 or this email



**Uncle Eli's Quilting Party - 95 years of
community, tradition, and
quilting on Thursday, April 2, 2026!**

Doors will open at **8:30 AM**, and festivities will wrap up with a potluck lunch starting around 12:45 PM.

Where/When:

Date: Thursday, April 2, 2026

Time: Doors open at 8:30 AM; Lunch starts at 12:45 PM. Then it's all over until next year.

Location: Eli Whitney Recreation Center (the old gym)
4110 E. Greensboro-Chapel Hill Highway, Graham, NC 27253

What to Bring:

1. A Friend:

Share the fun - there's plenty to do! Work on your projects, check out the quilts on display, and participate in our "community quilt" project. Don't forget to visit the **Sharing Table** to pick up some quilting materials (and bring something "quilty" to contribute if you remember). Peruse the amazing 95-year-long timeline of the quilting party (and, by extension, the Eli Whitney community and our little corner of North Carolina).

2. A Quilt:

This is a **pop-up quilt show!** Just show up with your quilt, and our volunteers will help you register and hang it. The quilt registration form is attached for your convenience if you want to get a head start. (Bringing a quilt is not required, but there's no show unless people bring quilts)

3. A Dish to Share:

Join us for a potluck lunch. Please bring a dish to share and enjoy a meal with fellow quilting enthusiasts.

Uncle Eli's Quilting Party happens only one morning a year- don't miss it!

We can't wait to celebrate this special occasion with you.

For more information or to volunteer, check us out on Facebook
(www.facebook.com/UncleElisQuiltingParty) or call 919-259-8510.

Joined by Stitching: A quilters Art Exhibitions

April 10 – May 10, 2026



We are excited to invite you to submit your work for the upcoming Joined by Stitching: A Quilter's Art Exhibition, presented by the Arts Council of Fayetteville & Tarheel Quilters Guild. This juried exhibition celebrates the creativity, innovation, and craftsmanship of **contemporary** art quilting — from bold abstract designs to narrative, pictorial, or experimental works that push the boundaries of textile art.

Exhibition Dates: 10 April 2026 - 10 May 2026

Venue: The Arts Council, 301 Hay Street, Fayetteville, NC 28301

Entry Deadline: March 1, 2026

We welcome entries that reflect originality, strong design, and excellence in execution. Whether your quilts are inspired by tradition, personal stories, or modern techniques and materials, we want to see how you express art through fiber.

Eligibility & Guidelines:

- Open to all artists working in quilted textiles.
- Each entry must be the artist's original design.
- Works must consist of at least three layers (top, batting, and backing) and be stitched, quilted, tied or otherwise joined through all layers.
- Maximum/minimum dimensions: due to space considerations, quilts of a size appropriate for hanging on a gallery wall are preferred.
- Artists may submit up to 5 entries.
- Entry fee: N/A.
- Arts Council Commission fee is 30%.
- This is a *juried* exhibition; accepted works will be chosen based on originality, design, and craftsmanship. Artists will be notified by March 15th of the entry decision.

Accepted works will be professionally displayed, and the exhibition will be promoted through regional and national quilt and art networks. Artists will be notified of acceptance by March 15, 2025 (via email).

To submit your entry, please visit <https://forms.gle/1V7x3hrVpycSECbq7>.

***IMPORTANT:** After submitting the entry form, please email two photos of your piece—one overall shot and one close-up—to entries@tarheelquilters.org. Be sure to include the piece's title in the subject line.*

Detailed instructions and important dates will be in the acceptance email. Please direct all questions to entries@tarheelquilters.org



Brunswick Quilters

April 28, 2026

Brunswick Quilters in Shallotte, NC are hosting Linda Hahn of Frog Hollow Designs to teach her method of the New York Beauty Block on **April 28, 2026**. Below are the class information and a cost of \$30 for non-members. We hope that you will join us for this workshop.

The deadline for registration and payment is March 1, 2026.

Individuals can sign up for the class by going to the Calendar on our website. Here is the link: <https://brunswickquilters.com>

We are always looking to expand our educational resources. If any of your guild members can teach a technique or class, we would love to hear from you. Please provide the instructor's name, contact information, what will be taught and their fee.

Educational information can be sent to the following using Education in the subject line - email brunswickquilters@gmail.com.

April 28 – Linda Hahn, of Frog Hollow Designs – Doors Open at 9:30am, with lecture and trunk show, free to members. Class to follow at 11-11:30am until 2:30p. Linda is teaching her method of “New York Beauty Block” with her design “Guyon Grey”. This design is NOT available for individual sales. Earlybird class registration fee is \$20 per member. After March 1, the fee will be \$25. Non-members will be charged \$30. Linda charges a \$30 kit fee, which includes her templates, stencils and leave-in foundation papers (enough for the entire quilt). The kit fee is payable directly to her. A supply list for the class will be posted on our website and sent out to registrants. The website is: <https://brunswickquilters.com>

Smoky Mountain Quilters of TN 45th Annual Quilt Show

June 19 – June 20, 2026



ENTER YOUR QUILTS IN THE 2026 SMOKY MOUNTAIN QUILTERS SHOW

The Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee is inviting you to showcase your quilts at the guild's 45th Quilt Show & Competition. The show is scheduled for Friday, June 19 and Saturday, June 20, 2026, at the Knoxville Expo Center in Tennessee (5441 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville, TN). More than \$7,500 in awards will be made to quilters in 14 categories, including a junior's category (ages 16 and under), and 14 additional special awards. Deadline for entries is April 18, 2026. Please visit www.smokymtnquilters.com for more information on the competition and for entry forms.

smokymtnquilters.com

865-229-6252

Smoky Mountain Quilters of TN, P.O.Box 30692, Knoxville, TN 37930

Cabarrus Quilters Guild – 2026 Splash of Color Quilt Show

June 19 – June 20, 2026

The Cabarrus Quilters Guild will have their 2026 Splash of Color Quilt show on Friday and Saturday June 19 & 20, 2026 at 601 Milestone Venue located at 595 Warren Coleman Blvd, Concord, NC 28025. The show hours are 9am to 5pm on Friday, and 9am to 4pm on Saturday. Admission is \$8. There will be plenty of free parking available.

We will have a judged show and would like to invite members of your guild to participate in our show. All the specific information is available through our website. The registration link will be available in March. The direct link to our show information is <https://cabarrusquiltersguild.org/2026-quilt-show/>. We have a variety of categories which are listed on the form. All quilts must be picked up after the show on Saturday, June 20, 2026, at 601 Milestone Venue located at 595 Warren Coleman Blvd, Concord, NC 28025. We will do our best to have the quilts ready at 5:30 pm. All quilts will be processed before any quilt can be picked up. No exceptions. Entries will NOT be returned by mail.

In addition to the beautiful quilts, we will have local and regional vendors, a silent auction with a “Buy It Now” option, our White Elephant Boutique, door prize raffle baskets, and raffle quilts. A food vendor will be available on site.

I have attached a flyer for our show. Could you please share it with your members. As always, if you have info about your quilt shows, pass along and we will gladly share with our members as well. You can send your info to cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com.

GATE CITY QUILT GUILD ~ Membership Renewal / New

Name _____ Date _____ Amt \$ _____

Fill in below only if your information has changed – Ck your info on the membership list

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone (Hm / Cell) _____ Phone (Hm / Cell) _____

Email _____ Birthday (Mo/Day) _____

Annual membership runs Jan 1 to Dec 31*. Annual membership fee \$35 or \$20 for those 75 & older.

Membership Team: Bea Mandel ~ Sandy Gardner ~ Becky Hayes

- Annual membership is January 1 – December 31 and the annual membership fee is \$35 due by January 31.
- Annual fee for members age 75 or older is \$20.
- New members joining after July 31 will be charged \$25 for membership through the remainder of the membership year. No other prorating will apply.
- Membership dues are non-refundable.

Mail this completed form and your check, payable to Gate City Quilt Guild by January 31st to:

Gate City Quilt Guild

P.O. Box 29196

Greensboro, NC 27429-9196

Or–hand it in at the membership table at any meeting.

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Inclement Weather Policy

If Guilford County Schools are closed due to inclement weather the meeting may be changed to a zoom session.

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We do our best to update you on meeting changes from in person to Zoom via email, Facebook, our website or a phone call

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Guild Meetings are held:

1st Thursday of the month
6:30 pm Social
7:00 pm Meeting begins

Congregational United
Church of Christ
400 W. Radiance Drive
Greensboro, NC 27403

Meetings are in person with an option to join over Zoom. Speakers may be in person or virtual

Email - info@gatecityquiltguild.org
Mailing Address:
Gate City Quilt Guild
P. O. Box 29196,
Greensboro, NC 27429

The guild website

<http://www.gatecityquiltguild.org/>

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Full Page	\$12.50	\$25.00

Newsletter Deadline The 20th of the month

Send your contributions and info to share to BensonDarcy@gmail.com
Include the word "Newsletter" in the subject line.