

Niagara Modern Quilt Guild



OCTOBER 2025

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Executive Members

President - Stephanie B
VP/Membership - Jo-Anne V
Treasurer - Pat S
Secretary - Carol L
Program - Donna Z, Tracy M
Continuity Officer - Sylvia K

Non-executive Members

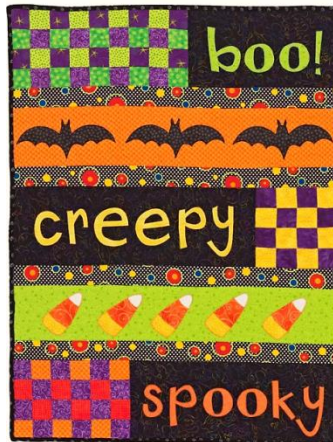
Newsletter Editor - Shirley B
Bee Hives - Kathleen O
Quilting Kindness - Kelly T, Sylvia K
50/50 - Carol L, Donna Z
Tweekie – Karen C, Bev B
Photographer - Janet T
Membership Sign in Desk - Elizabeth L

2025 Meeting Dates:

October 9

- Anne Vandermey, Janie Wallace, Resources.
-Slide show presentation of Sisters Oregon Quilt show, - Shirley B
November 13 – Tracy Mayer, Donna Zimmer, Our Quilting Journey – Trunk Show

December 11 – Christmas party (table runner) and Executive voting (President, Vice President & Treasurer)



NMQG Meeting

October 9, 2025

@ 7:00 - 9:00 pm.

Spooky Block – Free Pattern
– American Patchwork & Quilting

President's Message

Dear NMQG Members,

Fall is here — bringing cooler weather, beautiful colours, and maybe a little more time to quilt! Do you have new projects in mind? Are you finishing up gifts for Christmas (just around the corner)?

This season is a wonderful time to reset, explore new ideas, and find inspiration in the autumn colours all around us. I hope you'll take time to try new techniques, work on something outside your comfort zone, and continue incorporating more modern elements into your quilting projects.

- Annual Business Meeting & Gift Exchange

Our Annual Business Meeting is coming up soon and will include:

Elections for executive positions

Our always-fun Steal-a-Gift Exchange

A social time with treats and community

I hope everyone has had the chance to start their gift exchange table runner — it's a highlight of our year! Please remember to bring a sweet treat (6 servings) to share during the social portion of the meeting. You won't want to miss out on the fun!

- A Personal Note

It's with deep regret that, due to personal reasons, I will be stepping down as President in December and unable to complete my term. This was not an easy decision, as my heart has always been with this guild and everything it represents.

With my retirement, I have begun the process of relocating back to my hometown, and I wouldn't want to leave the guild in a difficult position during that transition.

As a result, there will be three executive positions open for election in December:

continued next page:

President
Vice President
Treasurer

An excerpt from the bylaws outlining each role's duties will be shared for your review. If you're interested in serving, please speak to one of the executive members before the December meeting — we'd be happy to answer any questions.

- Membership News

The Modern Quilt Guild has announced a 10% increase in dues beginning in 2026. After review, the NMQG executive has decided not to increase our membership fees at this time. We'll revisit this during the 2026 budget meeting.

Membership renewals for 2026 will begin in November.

- November Sew Day

Please note that the November 1st Sew Day at Trillium United Church has been cancelled due to low attendance. It's not feasible to continue spending guild funds on an event that's underutilized.

Thank you to everyone who helped organize and attended past sew days — your enthusiasm and participation have been greatly appreciated.

With warmest regards,

Stephanie

President, Niagara Modern Quilt Guild

- *Happy Quilting!*

OCTOBER MEETING PROGRAM RESOURCES AND TRUNK SHOW

Janie Wallace:



Janie Wallace has been a member of this Modern Guild since its inception. She and her hubby wear many different hats, including being air show performers in the GERONIMO! Skydiving Team, ordained Ministers, and beekeepers. Her favourite job is long arm quilter, and she has won prizes for her work both here and in the US. Working in her studio every day, Janie has quilted for many of the women in this guild. Her presentation will take you through her quilting journey from some early works to samples from the Tuesday morning class she teaches in her studio.

Anne Vandermey:



"Come learn how the public library can assist you with Quilting! Anne will show you how you can get a library card and what resources you can find at the library!"

Sisters Quilt Show Slide Show presentation – Shirley B



Zoombees

Mondays with Anastasia

Monday 6:30 – 8:00 pm

October: 20, 27

November 3, 10, 17, 24

December 1, 8, 15, 22?, 29?

Zoom links will be sent out on Fridays .

Everyone welcome

Zoombees

Tanya's Sew and Chat Dates

Sew and Chat with Tanya

Friday, October 31, 2025 @ 7:00-9:00pm

- Nov 28, 2025, Jan 2, 2026

A drop-in zoom meeting with your fellow NMQG members. Meet new people. Sew either on machine or by hand or any project you want to work on. Tanya is always happy to talk about quilting and so are our other members. (Link for Zoom is sent out by email Monday before the meeting)

Would you like to do a **Zoombee** and show our members how to do something you think they would love? Share techniques, projects etc...

Contact: niagaramqg@gmail.com

QUILTING KINDNESS

Now that fall is here (in spite of the weather!) it is time to get quilting! We have a supply of flimsie kits and Ready for Quilting bundles for both domestic and Longarm. I will not be at the November meeting so please pick up what you need now and *do not bring any finished items in November.*

You continue to be amazing with 4 finished quits, 3 flimsies and 2 crib flannels collected at the last meeting.

Sylvia and Kelly



BeeHive Community

When: Wed October 22nd 10am-12pm

Where: Dr Huq Library 425 Carlton St., St Catharines (Kiwanis Centre)

- Ellen S presents: Freemotion embroidery tutorial
- Creating drawings on fabric.

Observe or participate

Bring: Sewing machine, various colours of sewing thread, machine embroidery needles, plain fabric to stitch on, small amount of tear away or wash away stabilizers. Darning or freemotion embroidery foot, embroidery hoop (inexpensive wood one is perfect).

All are welcome, bring a friend.

All projects are always optional, free and delivered by volunteers. No registration needed. Watch this Newsletter for info monthly. We are looking forward to meeting you.

There will be shortbread

Do you have Questions?

Contact: KathleenO

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SWEET DREAM PILLOWCASES

One Burrito pillowcase.

Can you commit to sewing one?

BIRCHWAY NIAGARA will be the recipient this year.

Kit includes: one Pre-cut body, band & trim & Website for instructions.

Available at October NMQG meeting.

Thank you in advance for using your time and talent. KathleenO

Questions:

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**Christmas Gift
Exchange**
Thursday December 11
@ The General Meeting

This year's gift exchange is going to be a table runner. Make your favourite table runner and wrap it in pretty paper. At the December meeting we will have a gift exchange, you can pick a gift from the table or you can steal a gift from someone, a gift can only be stolen twice. This is sew much fun.

**MEMBER CELEBRATION
RECOGNITION**

Congratulations to our members who earned ribbons for their quilts at the Wainfleet Fair.

Effie F

Sylvia K

Janie W

Jo-Anne V

Pocket Posh Tips for Quilters
Jodie Davis and Jayne Davis

Save time, thread, and energy by chain piecing. Feed the patches to be joined together through the machine, one right after the other, without ever lifting the pressure foot. Leave just enough room separating each pair so they can be cut apart later as needed.

Personal experience: I have just used this method on a quilt and found it so time saving. Keep your stitch ripper at the ready. SB

ONTARIO QUILT SHOWS / EVENTS

Waterloo County Quilters' Guild 2025 Quilt Exhibit

Dates: October 17-18, 2025

Location: Forbes Hall, RIM Park, Manulife Sportsplex, Waterloo

Highlights: Celebrates the Guild's 40th anniversary with quilt displays, vendors, a small quilt draw, and a tea room.

York Heritage Quilters Guild
presents

A Celebration of Quilts XV
Abstract to Patchwork

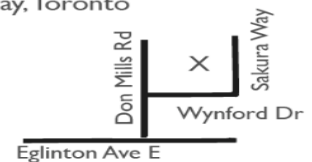
Friday, Nov 14, 10-5

Saturday, Nov 15, 10-4

Over 200 handcrafted quilts
Vendor and Guild Artisan Marketplace
Café

Admission \$15

Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre
6 Sakura Way, Toronto



Jen Houlden's Workshop Friday

September 12th. Members had fun and learned a lot of new techniques.



DUTIES OF OFFICERS FOR DECEMBER ELECTION

ARTICLE 4 – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

4.1 PRESIDENT

- i. Prepare agenda and chair the meetings of the members and Executive Committee.
- ii. Call Executive Committee meetings as required.
- iii. Collect mail and distribute it as needed.
- iv. Carry out NMQG business as directed by the membership and in collaboration with the Executive Committee.
- v. Support members of the Executive Committee in their individual roles.
- vi. Act as the NMQG contact to other quilting organizations and the general public.
- vii. Forward NMQG related information to the membership; and
- viii. Place liability and property insurance for NMQG.

4.2 VICE-PRESIDENT

- i. Assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President.
- ii. Maintain a current list of active members and submit to Modern Quilt Guild.
- iii. Distribute membership list to members and coordinate with the Treasurer to promote membership.
- iv. Communicate NMQG information by e-mail to members, and
- v. Administer NMQG Zoom account.

4.3 TREASURER

- i. With the assistance of the Executive Committee, establish an annual budget for the Niagara Modern Quilt Guild.
- ii. Collect annual dues from members and coordinate membership needs with the Vice President.
- iii. Maintain financial records of NMQG and report to the Executive Committee and membership as required.
- iv. Receive and promptly pay authorized accounts, undertake banking for NMQG (receive payments, make deposits, write cheques, arrange for update of signing authorities), and manage assets; and
- v. Prepare the annual financial statements at the end of the fiscal year.

Member Business Owners

Include your business card in the Newsletter. Let our members and FB readers know where they can access their quilting needs. Send an email, subject line "Advertising" to: niagaramqg@gmail.com for more information.



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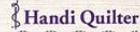
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Sew & Tell

Your Name _____

Quilt Name _____

Tell us about your quilt(Inspiration, pattern designer, quilting, fabrics used, intended recipient/use, technique, something you learned)

My quilt features these modern elements:

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| ☐ Maximalism | ☐ Alt. Grid | ☐ Neg. Space |
| ☐ Minimalism | ☐ Improvisation | ☐ Modern Quilting |
| ☐ Bold colour | ☐ High contrast | ☐ Graphic Design |
| ☐ Bold prints | ☐ Scale | ☐ Mod. Traditionalism |



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Please complete

*Name: _____

*Address: _____

Street, City, Postal Code

Phone Number: _____

home

cellphone

*Email: _____

Annual Membership Fee: \$50.00 received by _____

Cheque ____ Cash ____ Etransfer ____ to: niagaramqg@gmail.com

*If you *do not* wish to have your information in a membership list provided to members please check here ____

*If you *do not* consent for publication of any photos taken of you to be used by

Niagara Modern Quilt Guild please check here ____

NMQG Membership Form

Member Name: _____

Amount Received: _____

Member in good standing until December 31, 2025 Signed:

for Niagara Modern Quilt Guild