

# Niagara Modern Quilt Guild



## APRIL 2026

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### NMQG Meeting

**April 9, 2026**  
**@ 7:00 - 9:00 pm.**  
**Fonthill Meridian Ctr.**

<https://ilovequiltingforever.com/modern-quilt-patten>. Designer Suzy Quilts, pattern – Hidden Garden Quilt.

### **Executive Members**

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### **President's Message**

As we need to fill the VP position at this meeting, here is your chance to contribute to the Guild that is bringing you monthly meetings filled with learning, social activities, opportunities to enhance your skills and share your creativity.

We are almost 80 strong with 6 executive positions.

Unfortunately, the VP elected in December is unable to continue her role so currently we are splitting these duties among the remaining executive members who have their own duties to fulfill. This is really not fair to those who have already committed to keeping our Guild alive and thriving. There is no Plan B to continue without a VP so please consider joining the executive as the Vice President.

Let's have an election on Thursday so we can continue our current activity level.

Sylvia K

### **2026 Meeting Dates:**

**April 9** -Brandon Wulff on zoom  
**May 14** -Trunk show Jo Vandermey and our Advertisers showcase  
**June 11**-Monika Henry on zoom  
**July 9**- Emilie Trahan on zoom  
**September 10** -Trunk show Anastasia Harris and our Annual Garage Sale  
**October 8** - Joanna Masko  
**November 12**- Trunk show Denise Redgers  
**December 10** – Gift Exchange/ AGM, Friendship Celebration and more

### **Vice President Position**

You have all received the new position description in an email. Please review and come ready to stand up and contribute to the NMQG! We are an amazing, charitable group of quilters who can continue to grow but we need the full executive to do so.

## Members Corner

Wainfleet Fall Fair. "Rev up your machines".

The [wainfleetfallfair.com](http://wainfleetfallfair.com) site has the exhibitors section online.

Enter your creations for ribbons and bragging rights (and a little money)!

Sylvia K



## Quilting Kindness

Another amazing outpouring of charity quilts! Last meeting saw 16 quilts, 6 flimsies, 5 pillow cases and 15 NICU quilts come in. Hats off to Effie for 10 of those quilts and the unknown quilter who did 11 NICU quilts. Everyone is amazing!

Sylvia K

## Quilting Kindness Sew Day – March 21

15 members and guests sewed, kitted, cut, designed and finished 13 placemats and 6 NICU quilts. Watch the table this week to see what was accomplished in the two weeks since. We now have **25 quilts** ready for quilting. Be sure to pick one up at the QK table.



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**

### Zoombees

#### **Mondays with Anastasia 2026**

Monday 6:30 – 8:00 pm (except Holidays)  
April: 13, 20, 27

"The zoom link can be found on the Niagara Modern Quilt Guild website at: [niagaramqg.ca](http://niagaramqg.ca) on the "Members Area" page when you log in."

### **Chunk of The Month – President's Challenge**

The President's Challenge this year is all about "Choosing Your Colours". "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star".

**Instructions are on the Niagara Modern Quilt Guild website.**

Once you have logged into the Niagara Modern Quilt Guild site, continue to the Members Area, then select the Chunk of the Month – President's Challenge.

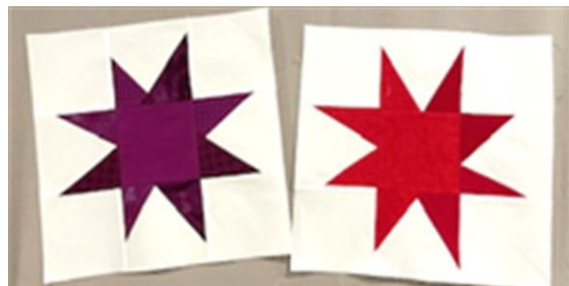
Each month you will receive instructions for one ninth of the quilt.

*We are excited to see your completed blocks at the meetings!*

### **Block Lotto**

The Wonky Star Block is the May Block. See our website for instructions.

Contact: Ellen S [program@niagaramqg.ca](mailto:program@niagaramqg.ca)



### Zoombees

#### **TANYA'S SEW AND CHAT DATES FRIDAY'S 2026**

Friday night, sewing with Tanya. Bring your sewing project whatever that may be. No need to sign up just follow the link, Tanya is always happy to talk about quilting and so are our other members.

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**Sew and Chat with Tanya @7:00-9:00 pm**  
April 24

### **BeeHive Community**



**Wednesday, - April 29th**  
**10 am – 12:00 noon**

Dr. Huq Library, 425 Carlton St., St Catharines  
An inclusive monthly group for Members and all stitchers.

All projects optional. Come to chat, bring Sew & Tell, *and there will be Shortbread.*

Coffee and tea available in foyer \$1.

**Optional:** Tutorial with Lorna C., Needleturn Applique.

Supplies & tools: Quilting Cotton, 9" square, and 6 ½" square. Applique needle # 10 or fine hand sewing needle. # 50 weight thread to match the 6 ½" square and contrasting 50 weight thread. Fabric scissors and small sharp pointed scissors, ¼" measuring gage or small ruler.

Freewill donations appreciated, thank you.

If you have any questions, contact: Kathleen O,  
[NiagaraMQG@gmail.com](mailto:NiagaraMQG@gmail.com)



**Sew Days**  
**Trillium United**  
**415 Linwell Road, St. Catharines**  
**From 9am-3pm**  
**Saturday May 23/26, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>/26**  
**& Nov 7<sup>th</sup>/26**



*Come and join us for a day of quilting, friendship and fun. Bring whatever you are working on. Ironing stations will be provided. No charge for guild members, friends are welcome \$10 for non guild members. Coffee and tea will be provided, bring your lunch and snacks.*

*Please register at*  
[program@niagaramqg.ca](mailto:program@niagaramqg.ca)

**WORKSHOP WITH PATTI CAREY:**

On Friday Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, we gathered to create beautiful blooms in our workshop with Patti Carey. The first one was challenging as we all learned a new technique to create a pretty flower with a three dimensional center.

My favourite part of the workshop and sew days is just sitting and hearing the chatter and laughter of people sewing and having FUN.



## Speaker for April: Brandon Wulff

Brandon Wulff is an accomplished and talented artist who has found success in both quilting and life coaching. He is an Autistic individual who grew up in a fiber-focused family in London, Ontario, Canada, which provided him with a solid foundation for his future endeavors. With a background in hair styling, Brandon later pursued a career as a life coach and researcher before discovering his true passion for quilting.

His sister Michaelanne, owner of Stache Fabric and Notions, was the one who sparked his interest in quilting. She inspired him to start quilting when she opened her store and he wanted to support her. He soon discovered that he had a natural talent for the craft and his skills flourished.

Brandon's talent and passion for quilting have not gone unnoticed. He has been featured in two well-known publications in the industry, House and Home magazine and Canadian Quilter, and has also been mentioned on the Marilyn Denis show. He works with interior designers and decorators to create one-of-a-kind pieces that add beauty and style to stunning homes.

In addition to his skills as a quilter, Brandon is also a life coach. He is dedicated to helping people live their best lives and finds great fulfillment in assisting others to achieve their goals and reach their full potential. He is an advocate for the importance of self-improvement and encourages others to pursue their passions and reach for the stars.

Brandon's commitment to both quilting and life coaching has made him a sought-after figure in the industry. He offers on-demand classes in non-continuous ruler work and his Biscotti process, and takes his trunk show on the road, offering it to Biscotti guilds via Zoom.

If you're looking for inspiration and guidance in either quilting or life, Brandon Wulff is the perfect person to turn to. With his hard work, dedication, and passion for his crafts, he is a true Renaissance man and a shining example of what can be achieved with determination and perseverance.



Brandon Wulff web site:  
[bwulffandco.com](http://bwulffandco.com)



## 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: niagaramq@gmail.com for more information.



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## KINDRED SPIRITS

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# Hands-On Machine Quilting Classes

Kindred Spirits is thrilled to announce our next hands-on quilting event featuring Handi Quilter National Educator Loretta Morris. We're hosting three days of classes from **May 21st - 23rd** aimed at quilters of all skill levels. This is a fantastic opportunity to enhance your quilting skills in a fun and relaxed environment.

### Event Highlights:

- Low student teacher ratio ensures you will get individual attention
- 2 students per machine gives you lots of time to practice
- Variety of classes to suit all quilters
- Rare opportunity for hands-on Pro-Stitcher Training
- No experience... no problem! Our instructors will guide you every step of the way, stress free
- Tuition buy back - if you upgrade your longarm or PURCHASE A NEW SYSTEM before July 1<sup>st</sup>, we will refund your class fees

Visit our website for full class descriptions or call to register and reserve your spot!

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MAY 21-23, 2026

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Learn more about longarm quilting at our classes. Our instructors will guide you every step of the way, stress free.

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We take quilting seriously. Please call 905-397-9500 for more information.



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## CQA/ACC Member Guild Challenge "What Canada Means to Me" submissions:

Selected quilts will be displayed at **Quilt Canada 2026**, taking place in **Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 17–20, 2026**.

Those of you, who have a quilt to submit for consideration in this CQA project, please bring them to the April 9th meeting. Pictures have to be in to CQA May 1st. If the binding is not quite done, bring it anyway you can finish and send us a picture for submission.

## Membership Renewal

Thank you to all that have signed up and renewed their membership or recently joined for this New Year - 2026! The Renewal fee remains at \$50 for 2026 season.

Check the new website for more information at: [niagamqg.ca](http://niagamqg.ca).

The program listing is in this newsletter with more information to come!

**NOTE:** There is a new/updated membership form attached at the end of the newsletter.



# Sew & Tell

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Quilt Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

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My quilt features these modern elements:

- Maximalism
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- Improvisation
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Niagara Modern Quilt Guild Membership Application Year \_\_\_\_\_

<b>New Membership \$50</b>	<b>Renewal Membership \$50</b>	
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**First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City / Town:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Identify any aspects of quilting you would like to learn more about? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Would you be willing to teach a technique or do a workshop? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Which areas of quilting do you enjoy? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate if you would like to be involved or learning about any of the following:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Workshop Help	<input type="checkbox"/> Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Quilting Kindness Quilts	<input type="checkbox"/> Block of the Month
<input type="checkbox"/> Facebook/Instagram	<input type="checkbox"/> Photographer for Events	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Sign In Help	
<input type="checkbox"/> Show and Tell Holding Quilts	<input type="checkbox"/> 50/50 Draw	<input type="checkbox"/> Toonie Draw	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/> Tech Setup for Meetings	<input type="checkbox"/> Information About Executive		

*The personal information collected from members of the Niagara Modern Quilt Guild for the use within the Guild ONLY to facilitate and conduct guild business and to provide an efficient means of communication among members.*

- Please check the box and initial if you do not agree to have the NMQG take your picture for purposes of publishing on the NMQG Facebook page and / or NMQG Newsletter.
- Or if you do not wish your phone number on the Membership List

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Member's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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