

Niagara Modern Quilt Guild



OCTOBER 2026

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Scrap Buster Fall Pillow by Allison at *Cluck Cluck Sew*.

NMQG Meeting

October 8, 2026
@ 7:00 - 9:00 pm.
Fonthill Meridian Ctr.

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President's Message

As we come up to our AGM in December, the Executive is busy reviewing our governing documents with an eye to discussing some items with the membership. Please attend meetings, read the newsletter and any emails sent to you. You will be asked to make decisions involving the way the guild is run so we want you all to be well informed. Attend the Oct. 29th executive meeting to hear how things are coming along.

Please also consider running for one of the open positions, President, Secretary and Program. Let's have a positive AGM with a slate of candidates so we can get on to the fun Christmas activities quickly!

Sylvia

Open Executive Meeting

The October 29th Zoom Executive Meeting at 6:30 p.m. is open to any member wishing to attend as an observer. We encourage you to take this opportunity to understand the roles and the process. The Zoom link can be found in the members section of our website.

2026 Meeting Dates:

October 8 - Johanna Masko

November 12 - Trunk show Denise Redgers

December 10 - Gift Exchange/ AGM,
Friendship Celebration and more

Quilting Kindness:

Nimble fingers produced 13 NICU quilts, 5 placemats and 5 quilts submitted at the September meeting. 33 quilts were delivered to the NICU in September. We will soon be having an afternoon to kit some of our many flimsies. Stay tuned for timing on that. Many thanks for all your items at the Sew Day. You continue to be an awesome group of community minded quilters!
Sylvia

The Yard Sale

Ladies, at the September meeting we had the garage sale and it was very successful. Thank you for all you donations and taking anything that didn't sell back home with you, it made clean up a lot easier for the Executive.

The sale made \$316.50. This money is being donated to The Dream Centre in St Catharines. The Dream Centre is a wonderful organization that provides soup and sandwiches to the homeless that live in St Catharines and Niagara Falls.

Modern Quilt Guild "All Star Sampler Platter"

We have registered the Guild for all member access to this event, via Zoom, on the afternoons of Oct. 24th & 25th. There will be 23 speakers and teachers presenting topics. Each speaker has about 1/2 hour. It basically exposes you to quilters who present, write books etc. so that you can delve into their work, join chats, FB and so on. You will be sent the zoom link closer to the date. You can access more details on the MQG website. We hope you take advantage of this opportunity and maybe get some new ideas.
The Executive

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

Block Lotto

Please bring your improv 1/4 circle blocks to our October meeting.

November's block explores colour theory with tints and shades of single colours. We will be making Equilateral (60-degree) Triangle Log Cabin Blocks. It is made without special rulers in case you don't have one for equilateral triangles.



You will need four different shades/tints/tones of one colour. Just use one colour for each block. Hopefully we'll get a variety of colours and the winner will end up with a rainbow!

See our website for instructions.

Contact: Ellen S 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.

"The zoom link for the member ID and passcode, can be found on the Niagara Modern Quilt Guild website at: niagaramqg.ca on the "Members Area" page when you log in."

Sew and Chat with Tanya @7:00-9:00 pm
October 30
November 27

Zoombees

Mondays with Anastasia 2026

Every Monday: 6:30 – 8:00 pm, except for holidays...

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PROGRAM for OCTOBER

Johanna Masko



Photo Credit: Walter Masko

Johanna Masko is an award-winning, Toronto based Textile artist and designer. Born and raised just south of Detroit, she holds a Fine Arts degree from the University of Michigan, and a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Toronto. Her mother, an avid textile crafter with a variety of interests, started her around the age of four with a needle, thread, and some scraps. She has been sewing ever since! Efficient construction techniques that speed the creative process while also preserving a high level of craftsmanship are a focus in Johanna's work. Johanna draws inspiration for her textiles from a variety of unconventional sources. Often called a skilled colourist, she strives to build confidence in her many patchwork, quilting and cross stitch students with both colour and technique, in Canada and the UK.

BeeHive Community

Wednesday – October 28th.

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Dr. Huq Library, 425 Carlton St., St Catharines
Join our inclusive group for Members *and* bring a friend.

Lorna C & Liz L lead a stitched mug cozy.

There will be Shortbread

Coffee Cozy

Supplies: 12" x 12" background fabric, batting (fusible best), backing, 6" elastic, button, embroidery floss or 8/12 wt. perle cotton (variety of greens, reds, yellow, gold), 22 or 24 Chenille needles. Embroidery hoop, small scissors, erasable marker, needle threader. **Your cup.** Enjoy, Lorna C and Liz L

***Full instructions in **MEMBER SECTION** on NiagaraMQG.ca as Coffee Cozy

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Kathleen O

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Please bring completed pillowcases to October NMQG Meeting.

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Kathleen O

Questions: Kathleen O'Flaherty

Smile...



Sew Day
September 19th



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Toppers can be any shape round, square, octagonal etc. but they CANNOT be rectangular. That would make them table runners wouldn't it? Minimum diameter of 12 inches.

(Shown is Christmas Table Topper – Designer: Connie Campbell of Freemotion by the River)



Sew Days

Trillium United

415 Linwell Road, St. Catharines

From 9am-3pm

Saturday Nov 7th/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