

QUILT NORTH

A community of quilters in Southern Saratoga County, NY since 1995

February 2024



SAVE THE DATE

Feb 5 2024 – Comfort Quilt Day
Clifton Park – Halfmoon Library
Moe Road, Clifton Park NY

Feb 15 2024 – Sew N Share Zoom

Mar 4 2024 – Krista Moser ZOOM only
Diamonds are a Quilters Best Friend

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Champagne & Pearls see page 9 for information

Apr 8 2024 – Linda Warren
The Learning Curve

Apr 9 2024 – Linda Warren

Apr 27 & 28 2024 – EQF X Diamonds & Daffodils
Fulton-Montgomery Community College

May 6 2024 – David Sirota

May 7 2024 – David Sirota
Sirota No More Tears Paper Piecing

May 28 2024 – Barn Quilt Workshop

June 3 2024 – Guild Quilt Challenge

Meetings at: Shenendehowa United Methodist Church, Route 146, Clifton Park NY 12065

Workshops at: CP Elks Lodge

Mary Widdis, a former member, and former co-president with Carol Muller, told us about a Comfort Quilt that had been donated to a Camp Erin attendee.

When Mary's son Steven started college, he had a roommate who was also from Schenectady. As they were all bringing in the basics, including sheets, pillows, etc., Mary noticed a quilt on the other young man's bed, and out of curiosity looked at the back and noticed that it had our Quilt North label on it! She commented on that to the young man, and he related that he had attended Camp Erin after the death of a sibling. He brought it with him to college because it meant so much to him, especially after such a tragic loss at a young age.

I don't think we truly understand how impactful our donated quilts are until we hear such a story. As I quilt Comfort Quilts, I am always imagining who the recipient will be and how they will feel when they realize that they can keep it forever!

From Carol Muller.

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SEW N SHARE February 15th 6-8 pm Zoom

Sew & Share is a chance for us to informally get together. Some sewing might get done, but we certainly enjoy sharing! Please join us on Thursday, February 15th from 6 - 8 for our next Sew & Share. Since this time is just for Quilt North members, please share the link with only other members. Thank you.

Registration link: [Sew + Share](#)

Hello Quilters,

Brr!! Are you enjoying our wonderful winter weather? I love the excuse to stay inside where it's warm and quilt! Speaking of quilting inside, that is exactly what we will be doing for our guild meeting on February 5th. It's our **Comfort Quilt Day at the Clifton Park Halfmoon Library**. It is always a fun afternoon with everyone chatting and working on quilts and caddies. Hope you can join us, and if you can't, consider stopping by to pick up a kit to take home to work on.

Next up is the **February 15th deadline** to register your quilts for the **Empire Quilt Festival**. We all make beautiful quilts so let's get them registered and show them off!! Check out the details and paperwork in this newsletter and get registered now. Let us show off our talents and make a big display of Quilt North quilts at the show in April!

It is that time of the year where I am asking you to consider stepping into one of our elected positions coming up this year: President, Recording Secretary, and Second Vice President. Before you say "Not me", here is what is expected for each position...

The President's job is to oversee all the committees and run the meetings. I have done it for two years and it is not that hard. With guidelines from the By-Laws and wonderful support from our Board and Committees, it's doable. As I have said before: "It's like organizing a big quilting family." Think about doing it with a friend and being Co-Presidents! You can do this!

The Recording Secretary's job is easy. You show up at the Board meetings and record the details of what was discussed and agreed. Using the agenda as an outline makes it easy to fill in the basics as the meeting progresses. Then, you forward it to the Board to be approved at the next meeting. This is very doable!

The 2nd Vice President's position requires a little more work so it is best to be shared with a friend. The good part is that you get to choose the lectures and the workshops so you can get those artists that you've been thinking about.... assuming the guild can afford them (there are some limits). There is some organizing required to set up the programs and workshops but that is where you get committee members to help you. You can do this, especially with a friend!

As our Nominating Committee is just starting their work of filling these positions, please consider volunteering so that we can continue to enjoy our love of quilting as a successful guild. Send an email to the guild (quiltnorth@gmail.com) or call me at 860-719-2646, if you would like to take on one of these elected positions.

Stay warm and enjoy your quilting,

Deb Wolfert

NAME TAGS

Chair: Laura Sheldon QNmembership@gmail.com

Drawings will resume in April. Be sure to wear your name tag to Comfort Quilt Day!

Quilt North or any of its members will NOT send an email asking you for gift cards or money. If you receive such an email, please report it to the authorities.

From Quilt North's Bylaws:
Section II. E. To encourage charitable activities

Comfort Quilts

Paula Dunn, Deb Kreifels, Charlotte Dugan, Airlee Bagley, Mimi Newnham,
Sherri Walczak, Cheryl Scorsone, Diane Smith

Join us at the **Clifton Park/Halfmoon Library** on **Monday, Feb 5**, from **noon until around 6 pm** for our annual **Comfort Quilt Workshop**. The team has plenty of tops all sandwiched and ready to tie, there are quilts needing binding and kits to sew—SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! If you only have a moment to stop in, pick up something to take home and work on, especially quilts needing binding later in the day. QUILT North members like you make about 100 to 120 quilts a year for us to give to a variety of worthwhile organizations.

The Comfort Quilt Team **NEEDS** a team coordinator for the next guild year. This leader's biggest job is coordinating the workshop every year. Team members Sherry, Cheryl, Charlotte, Diane, Arilee, Deb and Mimi are great at carrying out the majority of the work making kits, sandwiching tops and delivering quilts. I will work with you and do what I can to help. See me at the workshop or contact me thru the guild's email for more info.

Paula

CADDIES

Susan Ahearn & Mimi Newnham

Walker Caddies are greatly appreciated at all the locations we deliver to. If you have any places that can use some caddies, we will happily get some there! You can bring completed caddies to and pick up kits at the February 5 Comfort Quilt Day.

Patriotic Quilts

Laura Swensen

Well, here we are in 2024, my hope, my wish is to have more patriotic quilts donated this year! Can you all help me do this?

So, you want to know what size? Lap Size quilts (measuring 56" X 60") approximately. What kind of fabric do you ask? Well quilters cotton fabrics of good quality. My wish is to have a finished quilt that you quilted yourself or tied, if you can't muster that and only can do a top then add binding and/or backing, this will be a great help. You ask what color fabric you could use well, Red, White, Blue, Gold, all shades of these colors would be wonderful.

So please get those sewing machine humming and let's top what we have done in the past. If you have any quilts, please bring them to the Comfort Day on Monday February 5th.

I also wish to thank you everyone who has taken the time to make these quilt for the military Men and Women. All Patriotic Quilts go to the Mckenna Room at the Albany Airport.

A BIG Thanks for all your help!! Laura Swensen



Don't miss this opportunity to show off your beautiful quilt(s) at Empire QuiltFest 2024! Deadline for all entries is February 15, 2024. You can enter online at www.empirequiltfest.org, or by mail using the forms attached at the end of this newsletter or online. Your quilt does not need to be finished by the entry deadline, it just needs to be finished by the time of the quilt drop off (locations to be announced soon) the week before the show. If you need any help or have any questions, please email Empire QuiltFest at empirequiltfest@gmail.com or ask one of the committee members: Joy Karns, Karen Frankel, Ann Pastore, Joan Annis or Angela Pachal.

Forms will also be available for pick up at the Comfort Quilt Workshop on Monday, February 5 at the Clifton Park/Halfmoon Library.

We cannot wait to see you and your quilt at the show!

GUILD E-Mail
quiltnorth@gmail.com

Do you have a question about QN Guild and not sure to whom it should be addressed? Do you want to send a congratulatory note to the Guild? Feel the need to complain but want it to get to someone who will act? Send a note to our Guild E-mail: quiltnorth@gmail.com Your message will be sent to the appropriate person(s) in our Guild.

Facebook:

Working on your block of the month and want to show it off? There is a pinned post on the Facebook page [Click Here](#) with the sample quilt put together by the Block of the Month Committee. Please share your photos in the Block of the Month 2022/23 Album, we would love to see!

Did you take a class this year and want to share your project? Please [Click Here](#) to post in the album Workshop Projects on Facebook. Also pinned to the top of the Facebook page. Thank you for sharing your finished or WIP!

Need help to upload your photo? Please email Angela angela.pachal@gmail.com

LIBRARY

Quilt North Library will be available when we meet in person in April at the church.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Maureen Soris, Donna Logan, Diane Lewinski

It is hard to believe it is time for the Comfort Quilt gathering already. Winter will be behind us before we know it. We hope to see lots of our friends at the library for this great event. Maureen will bring the one BOM kit we still have left for sale if anyone is interested. See you soon.

Maureen, Diane and Donna

Guild Quilt Challenge

When: June 3, 2024 FINISHED QUILTS ONLY

Theme: Flower Power - Any type and any color you like

Pattern: Any

Style: Traditional, Artistic, Modern - Your choice

Size: Any Color: Any

2024 EQF BOUTIQUE TABLE

Susan Spadaro

During the April, 2024, Empire Quilt Festival (EQF) Quilt North will have a Boutique Table.

As in the past, QN will accept donations of clean, new quilting fabric and fat quarters, new and next-to-new quilting/sewing tools, UFOs (if all pieces are included), and patterns to sell at EQF. Please do not donate your books and magazines for this sale. **Please include your name with your donation and should your donation not sell, indicate if you would like it returned to you (see last page of newsletter).** **Items will be collected at Comfort Quilt Day.**

Thank you, Susan

March 4 – Diamonds are a Quilter’s Best Friend

We are excited to have a virtual lecture and trunk show with Krista Moser. Krista tells her story, how she started very young and went on to design her own quilts and patterns. She typically works in design concepts and color theory while showing different quilts. She loves to do Q&A if there’s time! It’s always a crowd-pleaser.

This will be virtual through Zoom at 7 p.m.

Workshop: Krista Moser: Champagne & Pearls

Come learn from Krista all the tips and tricks for cutting and piecing diamonds, triangles, and hexagons in an easy, fast, and precise way. If you have been wanting to break out of the same old quilting routine and try something different, her classes will inspire confidence and equip you with new techniques.

ONLINE workshop ZOOM - 11am EST - 5pm EST Saturday, March 9, 2024

Members \$55 / Non-Members \$60

To Register [Click Here](#)



April 8– Linda Warren from Queensbury NY with her curved piecing patterns and designs!

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

All levels of quilters with basic machine piecing skills can make this stunning illusion of overlapping squares and circles. The curved units that create the “moons” are made with The Learning Curve ruler. In this workshop, you will learn how to use The Learning Curve, learn how to sew curves with free-form curved piecing, and get help planning your quilt layout. We will use the design wall to discover how different fabric combinations create different visual effects. You will learn how to make an optional curvy pieced border. Quilt size: no border 44” x 44”, with plain border 48” x 48”, with curvy border 52” x 52”
Level: Advanced Beginner with basic machine piecing skills.
Required: The Learning Curve, Over the Moon pattern.



Do you have one of these? -
Why don't you join us at
the workshop and find out how to
use it!

Elks Lodge, 695 Mac Elroy Road, Ballston Lake, NY.

9:00 AM to 3:30PM (with a lunch break)

Workshop: \$65.00 for members and \$70.00 for guests

To Register [Click Here](#)

May 6 – David Sirota “I have been quilting since the late 90’s (that’s 1990’s) after my friend Amy Fitzpatrick taught me the basics of quilting. And I thank “Simply Quilts” for all the information and instruction that Alex Anderson and her guests provided. It felt like I was going to quilting school, and I tried not to miss a class.

There was one technique that I was immediately drawn to, and that was paper piecing. I thought it was so cool because of the intricate and accurate results you get. The only drawback was that it was really difficult to wrap my brain around, kinda like upside down and backwards. If you’ve ever tried it, you know what I mean. But once I got it, the results were quite exciting. Except, there were a couple of huge drawbacks...how to orient the next piece of fabric, and removing the paper. Regardless of the kind of paper I used, it still had to be removed at the end, which took as long or longer than the construction of the quilt!

So, I started thinking about how to make paper piecing simpler and faster. And I’m proud to say that in 2004, I figured it out. My “Sirota No More Tears Paper Piecing” © method is easier to understand and takes half the time of the old way of paper piecing.”

May 7 – David Sirota workshop on paper piecing.

9:00 am to 4:00 pm with lunch break Members \$45 / Non-Members \$50

David calls his version of the NY Beauty a NH Beauty since he is from New Hampshire.

To Register [click here](#)



MAY 18 - BARN QUILT PAINTING WORKSHOP

MUST SIGN UP BY APRIL 15, 2024

to allow the preparation of the boards

Quilt North is hosting a Barn Quilt Painting workshop at the Elks Club on Saturday, May 18. Julie Weston will be leading the class and bringing paint to complete your 24" x 24" work of art. You have a choice between furniture grade plywood or aluminum composite (stop signs are made from this), which is lighter and would weather better. There are 10 patterns that you can choose from and once signed up you will need to choose one. If you want to design your own, instructions will be provided, but understand it will take longer to do. There will be many colors to choose from.

Elks Lodge, 695 Mac Elroy Road, Ballston Lake, NY.

10:00 AM to 2:30PM (with a lunch break)

Workshop: \$65.00 for members and \$70.00 for guests

To Register: [Click Here](#)

Pattern 1: Intermediate



Pattern 2: Beginner



Pattern 7: Advanced



Pattern 8: Intermediate



Pattern 3: Beginner



Pattern 4: Beginner



Pattern 9: Intermediate



Pattern 10: Beginner



Pattern 5: Beginner



Pattern 6: Advanced



QUILT NORTH QUILTY BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Business Name	Phone/ Address	E-mail/Social Media	Owner's Name	Services Available
Bloom Fabric, Art & Retreat	845-586-6000 724 Main St. Margaretville NY 12455	Bloom@catskill.net Bloomquilts.store bloomquilts724 (Instagram) Bloom: Fabric, Art, and Retreat (Facebook)	Lori and Katie Rosa	Bloom is both a brick-and-mortar store and a webstore. We offer quilt fabric, yarn, craft kits, and notions. We specialize in our beautiful retreat facility. We also offer longarm quilting facilities.
Copper Moon Quilting	475-325-4608	CoppermoonQuilting@gmail.com	Kasey and Timothy Maikshilo	Edge2 Edge, Semi-Custom, Full Custom, Baby to King Sized Quilts.
Crayon Box Quilt Studio	518-858-8188	crayonboxquiltstudio.com	Michele Kuhns	Long arm quilting, Pattern design, Custom quilts
Majken's Mercantile	518-638-8867 518-810-7674 (C)	Majkensellar@gmail.com Facebook - Majken's Mercantile	Majken Sellar	Offering all services related to quilting, Edge-to-Edge designs, custom quilting, binding, layering, and quilts from scratch. Also offering servicing of vintage Singer Featherweight sewing machines. Visit my business page on Facebook, Majken's Mercantile.
Laura Swensen - CI Sue Pelland Designs	518-664-4849	laurasw@nycap.rr.com	Laura Swensen	Certified instructor for Sue Pelland Designs. Techniques utilize rotary cut applique using Misty Fuse and Sue Pelland tools.
A Winding Thread Quilting	518-884-9923	Awindingthread@gmail.com Facebook - A Winding Thread Quilting	Barbara Wolfe	Edge to edge (allover) quilting, custom quilting, memory quilts, t-shirt quilts, and binding (a separate service). See on Facebook - A Winding Thread Quilting

EQF BOUTIQUE Project

Your Name _____

Description of Item _____

How many of this item _____ Suggested Selling Price \$_____

Do you want unsold item(s) returned to you? _____Yes _____No

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Do you want unsold item(s) returned to you? _____Yes _____No

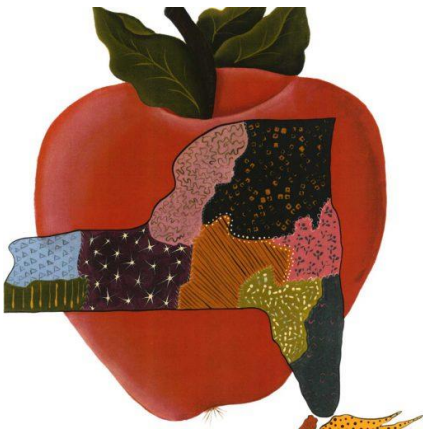
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EQF X Diamonds and Daffodils **2024**

**Saturday and Sunday, April 27 & 28,
2024 – Fulton Montgomery Community
College, Johnstown, NY**

Pre-Sale show tickets available

November 5, 2023EQF

Admission to the 2024 Empire QuiltFest is \$10 per day. Discounted admission tickets are available until February 15, 2024 for \$8 per day if paying by check or \$9 per day if paying using PayPal. Buy your tickets in advance and save!

[Click here to download the payment form to order tickets by mail.](#)

[Click here to order tickets online; payment is by check or PayPal.](#)



Volunteer Signup

descriptions on back - may be photocopied

2024

(please print) Name _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Alt Phone _____ Guild _____

Volunteers have more fun! We have door prizes for those who volunteer. Volunteer assignments are available during the entire show, and you are more than welcome to volunteer for more than one shift.

Please indicate your preferred committee(s) and time slot(s) by entering a number in the boxes below (e.g. 1 for your top choice, 2 for your second choice, etc.). You will be notified two weeks prior to the show of assignments. If you would like to be paired with a friend, indicate this in the Notes section below. Return this form early and get your desired committee(s) and time slot(s). Please note: Starting and ending times may vary. Length of time will depend upon the number of volunteers.

Saturday, April 27, 2024

show committee	8:30-10am	10-11:30am	11:30-1pm	1-2:30pm	2:30-4pm
admissions					
hostess					
white glove					
volunteer lounge					

Sunday, April 28, 2024

show committee	9:30-11am	11-12:30pm	12:30-2pm	2-4pm	
admissions					
hostess					
white glove					
volunteer lounge					

pre & post show committee	Wed April 24 AM	Wed April 24 PM	Thur April 25 AM	Thur April 25 PM	Fri April 26	Sun April 28
scribes & judge helpers						
show set up						
show take down						

notes _____



(please print) Name _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Alt Phone _____ Guild(s) _____

Quilt Title _____ Quilt Value _____

Quilt Size: height _____ INCHES X width _____ INCHES
 (all quilts require a 6" sleeve across the width for hanging)

Have you exhibited a quilt with EQF prior to 2024?
☐ yes ☐ no

Please provide the names of everyone who worked on this quilt, including quilting services:

Description please provide a brief description (20-25 words) to be displayed with your quilt; include quiltmaker if not entrant

Category (choose all that apply)

☐ pieced ☐ hand ☐ machine

☐ applique ☐ hand ☐ machine

☐ combined techniques

☐ modern

☐ whole cloth

☐ mixed media

☐ art

☐ clothing

☐ antique

☐ quilts made by children (under 18)

☐ group

Size

☐ **super large**
96" x 96" or larger

☐ **large**
greater than 60"x80"
& smaller than 96"x96"

☐ **medium**
greater than 42"x42"
& smaller than 60"x80"

☐ **small**
less than 42"x42"

☐ **miniature** 24"x24" or
smaller, & all aspects of
the quilt are dramatically
reduced in scale

Quilting (choose all that apply)

☐ hand

☐ stationary machine

☐ longarm machine

☐ tied

Quilting by:

Design/Pattern Source

☐ original design - a new creation; not a copy of
previous work; patterns by others are not used

☐ pattern(s) used - list pattern information in your
description, including magazine, book or
workshop, project title and author/instructor

I agree to exhibit the above quilt in the Empire QuiltFest 2024 show. I understand that Empire QuiltFest will take every precaution to secure my quilt while it is in their possession. I realize they cannot be responsible for the acts of nature or others beyond their control. I understand that my signature gives Empire QuiltFest permission to use photographs of my quilt for the promotion of the quilt show in any publications or advertisements.

Signature _____ Date _____

If paying by mail, please include registration forms, quilt photos, payment form, payment and one self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE). Entries can be submitted through your Empire QuiltFest guild contact, or mailed to Empire QuiltFest, P.O. Box 875, Amsterdam, NY 12010. The stamped self-addressed envelope submitted with your registration will be used to notify you of your quilt's assigned number and of the quilt delivery procedures prior to the show.

If paying via PayPal, please use the links on the website to complete quilt registration and payment - SASE not necessary if registering online.



Payment Form

2024

To register for a lecture, purchase admission tickets, and pay for your quilt entry registration fees, please complete the form below or online at www.empirequiltfest.org. Payment accepted by check or by PayPal (includes service fee). If you have any questions please email us at EmpireQuiltFest@gmail.com

(please print) Name _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Alt Phone _____ Guild(s) _____

Quilt Registration Fees

	Check	Paypal (includes service fee)	xNumber	Total
Judged number of quilts entered	\$12	\$13		
Non-Judged number of quilts entered	\$6	\$7		
Themed non-judged entry (1 per person)	free	free		0.00

Lecture Registration

	Check	Paypal (includes service fee)	xNumber	Total
Saturday, April 27 - Debby Brown - Debby Brown Quilts	\$15	\$16		
Sunday, April 28 - Kris Driessen - Phoebe Moon Quilt Designs	\$15	\$16		

Pre-Paid Show Admission

Special pricing until Feb 15, 2024 - admission is \$10 at the door

	Check	Paypal (includes service fee)	xNumber	Total
Saturday, April 27	\$8	\$9		
Sunday, April 28	\$8	\$9		

PAID USING:

☐

CHECK

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PAYPAL

(online submission only)

TOTAL

If paying by mail, complete and send this form along with your quilt registration forms, quilt photos, SASE and a check made out to Empire QuiltFest to :

Empire QuiltFest, P.O. Box 875, Amsterdam, NY 12010