

Q.U.I.L.L.T.S. Members Keep Learning!

Ready to learn new things and refresh your existing skills? Read on! Offerings include Fridays and Saturdays, virtual and in person – something for everyone!

In **March** we will meet virtually for our guild meeting to hear from Linda and Carl Sullivan of Colourwerks Designs in Palm Springs, California. Their colorful projects and contemporary designs are reflected in the project we will work on at their March 9th full day virtual workshop, “Colourbugs & Curves.” This will include two techniques in one workshop. Linda will first guide us through her liberating and fancy free “slash ‘n sew improv” technique while making cute colourbug blocks – no ¼” seams to follow, no rules and stress free piecing. Then she’ll lead students through sewing perfect curves with her handy tips and tricks.



We’ll be back in person in **April**. At our April 4th guild meeting The Live Notions Department will return. This interactive activity will have members actively sharing their some of their favorite “notions” with the group. Then we’ll do something that’s not quite a scavenger hunt, and not quite “Let’s Make A Deal.” So, in addition to bringing a favorite quilting tool or technique or two to tell us about, bring some things that might be useful in an **Emergency Quilting Situation**. No other hints. Use your iMaGiNaTiOn ;) Did I mention that we’ll also be interviewing President Karen Smith?

Our April meeting will finish up with our very knowledgeable member, Kathie Lutz, who will share some great information about getting ready for the October quilt show. And two days later, on Saturday, April 6th, Kathie will hold a useful workshop called “Starting Up or Brushing Up.” If you are newer to quilting it will help you in your efforts to get started. If you are a long time quilter it will help you brush up on your skills, and, maybe learn some new ones! Participants will practice these skills and create a quilt notebook to use as a reference in the future. You’ll find more details in the registration link at the end of this article. (Maximum enrollment is 10 so don’t delay!)



Our May meeting will also be in person and will feature Bobbie Bergquist of QuiltersTreasure.com. Her May 2nd lecture is called, “Not Your Traditional Quilting Techniques” and will cover innovative techniques that she has developed over the past 23 years. Her Friday, May 3rd half day workshop is on one of them, her Stained Glass technique. Watch for more information soon!

How is your 2024 Guild Challenge project coming? This is a project using piecing and quilting techniques of your choice with a finished perimeter of 96” illustrating the theme, “My Favorite Time of Day,” to be ready to display at our June 2024 meeting. Is your favorite time of day something that you can express with a particular block pattern? Or fabric selection? Or technique?

Here are links for more information on our upcoming events:

March 9 Linda Sullivan workshop registration: <https://forms.gle/giJHucaKg5JVMijT8>

April 6 Kathie Lutz workshop registration: <https://forms.gle/ThzA89tKkiAM6etNA>

2024 Guild Challenge info sheet: <http://quiltschenectady.org/?p=5256>

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