



Q.U.I.L.T.S
Quilters United in Learning Together, Schenectady
<http://quiltschenectady.org>

Meetings-First Thursday of Month from September to June

2026 Quilt Show Edition

April/May 2026

Welcome to this special edition of our newsletter. It contains all the information available to date about our upcoming Autumn Inspirations quilt show to be held at Proctors on October 3rd and 4th. Please read through it, keep it for future reference, and most importantly, get involved in the incredible amount of work it takes to put on our amazing show. The few hours of time spent will be educational, rewarding, and will benefit our guild for the next two years. Enjoy!

Message from our Quilt Show Chairs

Thanks to our incredible show chairs, we are on schedule! Remember, there are still opportunities to shadow a show chair to learn more about the show, meet more guild members and perhaps take over a show committee in the future, while you can pick the current chair's brains now!

The raffle quilt is currently on display at Dianne's Quilted Square. It was hard to visualize the whole quilt until now so head on over to see this beautiful quilt and get inspired to sell those raffle tickets! Thanks again to our new members who collaborated on this.

We are off to a very good start with our volunteers for the show, in fact some positions are already full. Thank you to all who have volunteered. Remember, for every shift you work you receive \$2 off the cost of admission, which is \$10. If there is a position you really want to try, sign up now before those shifts are taken. Here is the link to the form: <https://signup.com/go/UmJWMaJ>. You would also use this link to sign up for a food item which will be offered in the break room throughout the show (yes, we even feed you!).

We still need one more guild member to demonstrate a quilting technique during the show. Remember, you are not expected to teach a method, only to demonstrate it so attendees have an inkling as to what it takes to make one of the beautiful quilts on exhibit. Demonstrations to date include: hand quilting, wool applique, application of flange binding, piecing, the use of a Stripology ruler and a surprise (at least to us!) from Connie Trigger.

If any of you attended the recent Empire Quilt Festival you know that there are many talented quilters in the Capital District, including in our own guild. We too are planning on displaying much of the work our members create, from simple wall hangings and quilts to more elaborate creations. Remember, one of the goals of the show is to educate attendees about quilting and demonstrate that there is

room for every type of quilter. Try not to judge your work against others, attendees will appreciate the work you do. Please see the quilt registration form included at the end of the newsletter.

Paula Ross, our Chair of the ever popular boutique, is still accepting donations of fabric, patterns and quilting tools to sell (no books or magazines please). Donations can be dropped off during work sessions being held at the Rotterdam Community Center on Mondays from 1-5 pm until June or at upcoming guild meetings.

We will be experimenting with some new ideas for this show so keep reading!

Linda & Sonya

Important Dates in a Nutshell

Sunday, June 28th – The raffle quilt displayed and raffle tickets sales at the Schenectady Greenmarket

Sunday, July 12th - The raffle quilt displayed and raffle tickets sales at the Schenectady Greenmarket

Wednesday, July 15th – Last day to become a paid member of the guild to be eligible to enter a quilt in the show. You can use this link so sign up and choose a payment option: <https://forms.gle/p1hE6DixV9KhVnEy9>

Wednesday, July 15th – Last day to enter a quilt in the show. Submissions must be received by this date. The submission form, instructions, and a form to help calculate the insurance value of your quilt are included at the end of this newsletter, pages 7 – 11. They are also available here: https://quiltschenectady.org/?page_id=5485.

Sunday, August 23rd - The raffle quilt displayed and raffle tickets sales at the Schenectady Greenmarket

Sunday, September 27th - The raffle quilt displayed and raffle tickets sales at the Schenectady Greenmarket

Wednesday, September 30th – Membership meeting in Key Hall at Proctors. Members drop off their quilts, receive their admission wrist bands, turn in raffle quilt money/tickets, and receive any last minute information.

Thursday, October 1st – Judging of quilts in Key Hall.

Friday, October 2nd – Show set up, including hanging of quilts in the GE Theater and Atrium, organizing and arranging the boutique upstairs, the vendors setting up in Key Hall and Robb Alley, and hospitality room opening.

Saturday & Sunday, October 3rd & 4th – The Show begins! More details below.

Sunday, October 4th – The Show ends. Quilts are taken down and returned to members, boutique closes and pack up unsold items, hospitality room clean up, vendors pack up. Winner of raffle quilt is drawn. Award winners are announced. And we all go home, exhausted but happy.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer opportunities and discounted admission are limited to current members of the Guild. If you would like to join the QUILT Schenectady Guild, the membership application is here <https://forms.gle/p1hE6DixV9KhVnEy9> and can also be found on the guild website: <https://quiltschenectady.org>. Listed below are brief descriptions of the duties for volunteers. This link

will take you to the SignUp website: <https://signup.com/go/UmJWMAJ>. For general questions about using the site, contact Debbie McIntosh dgmcintosh@nycap.rr.com For questions or further details about the various volunteer slots, contact the committee chair.

Greenmarket - Lisa Wend Lpiseczny@nycap.rr.com

We're promoting Q.U.I.L.T.S. Autumn Inspirations Show and selling tickets for the raffle quilt at the Schenectady Green Market on June 28th, July 12th, August 23rd, and September 27th. Please sign up to work a shift and earn credits towards your admission fee to see the show. Thanks!

Show Quilts Drop-off - Debbie West dkwest@nycap.rr.com Wed Sep 30, 2026

These positions will assist with logging-in quilts that are registered for the show, sort them for judging or display, and then assist moving the quilts to locked storage.

Wristband Distribution - Susanne Bernadt sbernadt@gmail.com Wed Sep 30, 2026

Discounted Autumn Inspirations wristbands for show admission will be distributed. Remember, \$2 will be subtracted from the \$10 admission fee for each volunteer slot filled.

Judging - Kathie Lutz klutz@nycap.rr.com Thu Oct 1, 2026

These positions will work with the judges on various tasks.

Rack Set-up/Quilt Hanging Fri Oct 2, 2026

Setting up the racks to display the quilts is a rigorous job. Please consider asking (and signing up) your able bodied significant other to help move the bases & uprights and climb ladders to get this job done. You should bring work gloves and ladders, a minimum of 8 feet tall, are needed too. Once the racks are up, we begin hanging the quilts. The shift ends when these tasks are completed. Lunch will be available!

Boutique - Paula Ross cross001@nycap.rr.com Fri Oct 2, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

Assist shoppers, restock fabric and sale items, keep tables neat and orderly, answer questions, and assist to cash-out customers. Donations of fabric, quilting supplies, and notions can be brought to membership meetings in May and June, or dropped off at the Rotterdam Community Center on Mondays from 1 PM to 5 PM through June. The last shift on Sunday will help close-up the Boutique by packing-up unsold items.

Hospitality Room - Janet Mattis & Felicia Campo janet.mattis@gmail.com, feliciancampo@gmail.com
Attendant Fri Oct 2, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

You will help keep refreshments stocked.

Food for Hospitality Room Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

Your help providing refreshments for judges, volunteers, and vendors will sustain us! Thanks in advance.

Admission Table - Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

You will greet visitors, take the admission fee, provide a wrist band, show catalog, and ballots for voting on Viewer's Choice, Block Challenge, etc.

Raffle Quilt Table Mary Wade mwade1946@gmail.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

You will provide information about the raffle quilt and sell raffle tickets.

Please inform your audience that the drawing will be at the end of the show - October 4, 2026 at 4:00pm.

Membership Table Arilee Bagley arileebagley@gmail.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

You will share information about our Q.U.I.L.T.S. Guild, including new member forms and literature. These positions will also 'float' to help provide coverage for the Raffle Quilt and Admission tables.

Door Prize Table Carol DiNuzzo dinuzzo54@gmail.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

These positions run the door prize raffles during the show, announce and post the winning numbers and award the prizes.

White Glove / Greeter Sharon Nicpon sanicpon@aol.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

These positions will monitor the show hall to: (1.) check wristbands at the entrance to the show. (2.) interact with visitors to lift quilts to show the details on the back and ensure quilts are only handled by visitors wearing a glove.

Straight From the Heart Kids Quilts Maggie Katz margretkatz@msn.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

You will greet visitors and give an overview of the Straight from the Heart Kids Quilts initiative, the guild's work providing quilts to Northern Rivers, Things of My Very Own, and the Child Advocacy Center of Schenectady County.

Veterans' Quilts Pat McGurn patmpatty@yahoo.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

You will greet visitors and give an overview of the guild's work providing quilts to veterans receiving care at the Stratton VA Medical Center, the Stratton Inn, and Fisher House.

Activity Assistant-Donation Quilt Blocks Linda Tripoli ltripoli01@gmail.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

New this year, visitors to the show can make a simple block to be used in a Veteran's or Kids quilt. These positions will guide the sewers to assemble blocks with 1/4-inch seams, how to join rows, etc.

Activities for Kids – Linda Tripoli ltripoli01@gmail.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

Also new this year will be a design wall set up for kids and adults to take pre-cut squares, strips and half square triangles to assemble into a block. Examples of simple blocks will be provided. Anyone who would like to supervise this area during the show, please contact Linda Tripoli.

Quilting Demonstrations Linda Tripoli ltripoli01@gmail.com Sat Oct 3, 2026 – Sun Oct 4, 2026

We are looking for any type of demonstration you would like to do

- Some suggestions - piecing, tying, quilting, applique, binding, cutting etc.

Please indicate in 'comments' your plan or contact Linda Tripoli with any questions.

Show Take Down Sun Oct 4, 2026

It's the end of a great show! We're all tired but we have to take the quilts and racks down, clean up Proctors, and return quilts to their owners. We need to climb ladders again and can use help from able bodied significant others, don't be afraid to ask for help! Please bring your work gloves and ladders (minimum of 8 feet) once again to get this job finished.

Show Quilts Return Debbie West dkwest@nycap.rr.com Sun Oct 4, 2026

These positions will work with the Take-Down crew to receive quilts, sort them to registration order ensuring each quilt is accounted for, sign-out quilts to owners, and provide judging documents.

Vendor Helper-show closing Kathy Wagner kathywagner96@gmail.com Sun Oct 4, 2026

At the end of the show, Vendors need assistance with monitoring their vehicles while they pack-up their wares.

Other Important Information and Messages

Raffle Tickets – Mary Wade mwade1946@gmail.com

Mary will have raffle tickets at the May and June membership meetings. If you haven't already done so, please pick up your packet. The proceeds from the raffle quilt are a large share of the quilt show revenue that funds the guild for the next two years.

Proctors Window Display - Lisa Wend Lpiseczny@nycap.rr.com
More details will be coming.

Membership Challenge - Connie Trigger Quiltsprograms@gmail.com
2024 – 2025 Member Challenge: “Four and Five”

The theme was chosen to celebrate our guild's 45 years in existence. Projects must be 14” by 15” (in either direction) and include 4 of one thing and 5 of another. For example: 4 different red fabrics and 5 different green fabrics; a layout of 4 blocks by 5 blocks; 4 bugs and 5 flowers, etc.

2025 – 2026 Member Challenge: “On The Road!”

Entries must depict a mode of transportation – plane, train, boat, automobile, etc. Projects must be 24” by 24” and any piecing, quilting or embellishment techniques may be used. Anything goes as long as it's travel related.

Show attendees will be able to vote for their favorite in each challenge.

Our Featured Quilter is Linda Cary

Our Raffle Quilt was created by the combined talents of Cathryn Larkin, Brian Kenny, Kimberly Crenshaw, Michael Paliitsch, and Spencer Hatman.

Publicity Materials Design/Printing are thanks to the talents of Kathleen Morris

Catalog Layout/Design/Printing are thanks to Arilee Bagley

Signage is thanks to Sandi Butcher

Our Treasurer is Brian Kenny

The President's Raffle – Any guild member who enters a quilt in the show will have their name entered into a raffle to win a quilted bag filled with quilting-related items provided by **Guild President Virginia Hunt.**

Quilting Services Offered by Our Members

Chrissy's Contemporary Quilting

Computerized long-arming services
Quick turn-around time approximately 3 to 4 weeks
Long arms services
Large selection of edge to edge, block designs and thread colors.
Call or text Chrissy 518-605-3813

Michael Palitsch

832-693-3701
Michael_palitsch@yahoo.com
Located in Stillwater,
32 Olympia Ct Mechanicville 12118

Finish Line Quilting

Computerized Longarm Quilting by Kathy Wagner
518-369-3376

Autumn Inspirations 2026 Committee

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 Webmaster: QUILTSwebsite@gmail.com

AUTUMN INSPIRATIONS 2026 QUILT SHOW

- All registration forms must be received by Wednesday, July 15, 2026.
- Read and follow the instructions on the attached pages and on the website (www.quiltshenectady.org).
- Use a separate form for each quilt and paper clip a photograph of the quilt to the form.
- Include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Member Name _____ (please print)

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Quilt name _____ Value of quilt \$ _____

Quilt size (inches) _____ width _____ height _____ Year completed _____

Should this quilt be hung with a group? YES NO Group Name: _____

Do you want this quilt judged? YES (\$10 fee-please submit your check payable to Q.U.I.L.T.S) NO

Description (Provide a brief description, 50 words or less to be displayed with your quilt. Use the back of this form for additional information. _____

***See Registration Instructions for more information.**

| Technique Choose <u>all</u> that apply | Category* Choose <u>all</u> that apply | Quilting Choose <u>all</u> that apply | Design/Pattern Source |
|--|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pieced: <input type="checkbox"/> Hand <input type="checkbox"/> Machine <input type="checkbox"/> Appliqué: <input type="checkbox"/> Hand <input type="checkbox"/> Machine <input type="checkbox"/> Paper or Foundation Pieced <input type="checkbox"/> Whole Cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Wool Penny <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Media* <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Bed <input type="checkbox"/> Lap <input type="checkbox"/> Wall Hanging <input type="checkbox"/> Miniature <input type="checkbox"/> Art <input type="checkbox"/> Made by Child <input type="checkbox"/> Wearable Art <input type="checkbox"/> Table-runner or Placemats <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Project: <input type="checkbox"/> Challenge <input type="checkbox"/> Workshop <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans <input type="checkbox"/> Straight from the Heart (Kids) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Quilted <input type="checkbox"/> Tied <input type="checkbox"/> Machine-Traditional <input type="checkbox"/> Machine-Long Arm, by: <input type="checkbox"/> Maker <input type="checkbox"/> Professional: _____ Provide name of quilter if other than maker. | <input type="checkbox"/> Kit (prepackaged fabric, pattern included) Pattern Name: _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Pattern(s) Used: (include pattern name & book/magazine source) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Top Pieced by (if not pieced by registrant): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Totally Original- Designed, Pieced, and Quilted by Member (<u>a new creation, not using a pattern from others</u>) |

PLEASE NOTE: If you have special hanging requirements (i.e. picture frames), you must provide your own hardware.
Additional Information _____

I agree to exhibit the above quilt in the Q.U.I.L.T.S. "Autumn Inspirations 2026" show to be held at Proctors GE Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, NY 12305, October 3-4, 2026. I understand that Q.U.I.L.T.S. will take every precaution to secure my quilt while it is in their possession and will carry insurance for the entire show. I will check my homeowner's insurance policy if extra insurance is desired. I fully understand the above statement and am willing to exhibit my items under these conditions.

Member's signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE OR TAPE ANYTHING TO THIS FORM.
PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT A DOUBLE-SIDED COPY OF THIS FORM.

Please fill in member's name and name of quilt on the claim check below. Q.U.I.L.T.S. will assign the registration number and return the claim check to you in your self-addressed stamped envelope once all the registrations are received and processed. You will need to bring this claim check with you on Sunday, October 4th in order to pick up your quilt.

2026 AUTUMN INSPIRATIONS CLAIM CHECK
QUILT REGISTRATION #: _____

Member's Name: _____
Name of Entry: _____

Please enter your name and your quilt's name above. To retrieve your quilt after the show you must present this claim check and sign for each item. **DO NOT LOSE YOUR CLAIM CHECK(S).** If someone else is to pick up your quilt(s), make sure they have the claim check for it. **NOTE: We cannot release an item without this claim check.**

Autumn Inspirations 2026 – Registration Instructions

Member

You must be a paid member of Q.U.I.L.T.S. for the Sept. 2025 - June 2026 guild year (cut off April 2026) **and** a paid member by July 15th for the Sept. 2026 – June 2027 year to enter a quilt in the show.

Value

This is the replacement or appraised value for insurance purposes, not sentimental value.

Description

A brief description of your quilt is required for display purposes. Include information that will interest the viewers: why or for whom did you make this quilt, what was your inspiration, was it a challenging technique? Use the back of the Registration form for additional comments. Make sure to check all applicable boxes in Technique, Category, Quilting and Design/Pattern Source. Q.U.I.L.T.S. reserves the right to edit your description and/or to move any quilt into a more appropriate category.

Technique

Choose all techniques used in the construction of your quilt. Mixed Media* - Quilt design is predominantly enhanced with embroidery, stamps, beading, photo transfer, woven metals, paint, crazy quilt, heavy embellishments, or thread painting.

Design/Pattern Source

Please provide the name, designer, and source of the pattern, whether it was from a kit, class or book and where you found it. If you did not piece the top, please include the name of the person who did.

Category

Bed or Lap – any quilt that will be used for that purpose.

Wall Hanging – a quilt of any size made primarily to hang on a wall or other vertical surface.

Miniature – quilt 24” by 24” or smaller where all aspects of the quilt are proportionally reduced in scale (for example, 1 foot = 1 inch).

Art – original, non-traditional, or contemporary quilt.

Made by child – quilt made by a child age 16 and under, of any size and for exhibit only (not judged). Please include the child’s name in the Description. The child must be related to or sponsored by the member whose name appears on the registration form.

Wearable Art – quilted clothing, tote bag, purse, etc., is for exhibit only (not judged).

Table-runner or Placemats – any quilted piece to be used on a table.

Guild Project – guild-sponsored mystery quilt, challenge quilt or workshop. Include the project year.

Other – any quilt project which does not fit into other categories. Briefly describe on line provided.

Quilting

Choose all quilting techniques used. Please indicate if the quilting was completed by you or by a professional quilter. If machine quilted, indicate the type of machine used (i.e. traditional or long arm). If tied by a group, please indicate in the description (i.e. tied by friendship group).

Photograph

You must include a photograph of each quilt being registered. If you indicated there is an interesting design on the back side of the quilt that needs to be displayed, also include a photograph of the back. Note that photographs will NOT be returned. PAPER CLIP THE PHOTOGRAPH TO THE REGISTRATION FORM.

Judging

You may choose to have your quilt entry judged. There is a \$10 fee for each piece to be judged. All checks must be made payable to Q.U.I.L.T.S. Each piece is judged individually on its presentation, design, and workmanship.

How to prepare quilts for delivery to the show

All quilts must:

1. Have a 6" deep by length of quilt sleeve** attached to the back. If your piece is too small for a 6" hanging sleeve or requires an alternate method for display, please indicate in **Additional Information**. **Quilt sleeve construction is available at www.quiltschenectady.org.
2. Be clean and free of pet hair. Incomplete, soiled or torn items will not be judged or shown.
3. Have a muslin label slipstitched to the lower right side (as viewed from the back of the quilt) with the following information: owner's name, address, phone number and the quilt registration number received on your returned claim check. **If the quilt is to be judged**, please cover this information with an additional piece of muslin showing **ONLY** the quilt registration number. Please cover any identifiable markings on the front of the quilt (i.e., photos, names, etc.). NOTE: Items such as wearable art, fabric bowls, framed or other piece which cannot be hung like a traditional quilt still need to be labeled with the above information.
4. Be folded so that the label with the quilt registration number shows on the outside.
5. Be dropped off during the guild meeting at Proctors Theatre, Wednesday, September 30th. No quilts will be accepted after this date. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Pickup time is at 5:00 PM on Sunday, October 4th at Proctors. Please be patient as things will be very busy and we want to be extremely careful with the quilts.

To retrieve your quilt after the show. Present your claim check and sign for each item. DO NOT LOSE YOUR CLAIM CHECK(S). If someone else is to pick up your quilt(s), make sure they have the claim check(s). NOTE: We cannot release an item without the claim check.

In the rare instance that we have more quilts than we can handle, we may have to limit your number of entries.

Check list before mailing registration form

- Have you filled out a separate registration form for **EACH** item to be entered?
- Have you provided all the requested information?
- Have you paper-clipped a photograph(s) of your quilt to the registration form (photos will not be returned)?
- Have you enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope? **NOTE:** Items will not be registered without it!
- Have you enclosed a check for the judging fees? All checks must be made payable to **Q.U.I.L.T.S.**
- Have you labeled all of your quilts with the proper registration information from Step #3 above?
- Have you attached a hanging sleeve to your quilt?
- Have you made a photocopy of each registration form for your records?

Registration forms, photos, and payment for each entry must be received by Wednesday, July 15, 2026 (no exceptions!). Please include a stamped self-addressed envelope. Make checks to payable to Q.U.I.L.T.S.

Send all entries to: Deborah West, 1154 Waverly Place, Schenectady, NY 12308

NOTE: If for some reason you are not able to submit a piece which you had registered, please contact Deborah West (dkwest@nycap.rr.com or 518-421-7289) as soon as possible.

Estimating Quilt Value - 2026

The following guidelines were provided by Kathie Greenwold, quilt appraiser and former guild member.

Add up the following amounts to get a value for your quilt. If you have exact amounts use them. If not, use the estimates provided.

Note: you do not have to have the receipts to use "actual cost" if you know what you paid for the fabric.

- Cost of top fabric: cost of fabric OR estimate \$12-\$15 per square yard of quilt size.
- Cost of backing fabric: For 42 width fabric, use the same formula as above. For width fabric, use the actual cost or estimate at \$18-20 per yard used.
- Cost of batting: Use the cost of the batting, if it was not included in the amount paid to a professional quilter.
- Cost of labor for assembly: \$15-20 to per square foot of quilt depending on the complexity of piecing.
- Cost of machine or hand quilting: For professional quilting, use the amount paid to quilter. If you did your own quilting, estimate at \$15-25 per square foot for custom machine quilting and \$20-30 per square foot for hand quilting, depending on the complexity of the pattern(s) used.

Add or decrease the rates above based on degree of difficulty, custom or age of fabric, etc.

Example: **Quilt size of 72"x72"** (72" = 6' or 2 yards)

The quilt is 2 yards x 2 yards = 4 square yards or 6' x 6' = 36 sq. feet

| Item | Formula | Amount |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------|
| Cost of top fabric (new fabric) | \$14 per square yard x 4 square yards | \$ 56.00 |
| Cost of backing | \$14 per square yard x 4 square yards | \$ 56.00 |
| Cost of batting | Use sales receipt | \$ 28.00 |
| Cost of labor | 36 sq' x \$15 (moderately complex design) | \$540.00 |
| Cost of machine quilting | Use amount paid or estimate 36' x \$18 for custom machine quilting | \$648.00 |
| | | |
| Total quilt value | | \$1328.00 |

NOTE: If this was hand quilted, the estimated cost of quilting would be at least \$720.