



Quilting Guild

NEWSLETTER

for the members of Chilliwack PieceMakers Quilting Guild

MONTHLY MEETING

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 16 VIA ZOOM

Show and Tell

send in your pictures!!

The Show & Tell will be presented at our meeting by PowerPoint. Email your pics to chilliwackpiecemakers@gmail.com. Photos will be accepted until **DEC 15** the Tuesday before the meeting.

DECEMBER MEETING PROGRAMS

One of our December programs will be a presentation of art quilts made by the **Fibre Art Network** members. You might remember the presentation we had before that was called 'From a Tiny Seed'. This new work is called '**Circles and Lines**', each piece of work

is a personal interpretation of the theme based on the artist's vision. They are 7" x 9" or 7" x 7" in size. This presentation is available to

guilds all across our country, we are the first guild to view the PowerPoint version. To visit the FAN website use this address - www.fibreartnetwork.com



Presidents Message

We are approaching the holiday season which will be quite different this year with all the Covid restrictions in place. Many of us will not be able to celebrate the way we are used to which is of course disappointing. But protecting all of us and our loved ones is more important than physical gatherings, and with the help of technology we will still be able to be together and maybe even create some new traditions.

A lot has changed in the last weeks, and with the arrival of vaccines in the not so distant future, hopefully we will be able to get back to more normal times next year. It will still be a while before we can hold our guild meetings in person again, and we all need to be prepared to stay on Zoom for the rest of the guild year. But I am hopeful that if all goes as planned we should be able to have physical gatherings again for our next season starting in September. I find that having a timeline and a specific goal makes such a difference for my state of mind. We can all hang in there for a few more months!

Once again I would like to thank our executive members who are working hard behind the scenes to keep our guild going and make good things happen. We really appreciate that so many of you renewed their membership this year and keep supporting our guild.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Happy stitching,
Beatrice

DECEMBER MEETING PROGRAMS

Let's share our Christmas spirit!! Join the meeting wearing your Holiday Finest or your Ugly Christmas Sweater. Don't forget your mulled wine or



cider, hot chocolate or spiced tea to add to the festive spirit.

Holiday Recipe Swap will be part of our Christmas party program for December 2020.



We will be creating a slide show to drool and maybe laugh over during our meeting and will make the recipes available to all.



If you've sent in a recipe you will be entered to win an



awesome PRIZE!

Member Presented Programs and Demos

After Hannah and Ineke's, and Karlie's fantastic presentation at the November meeting, we realized that our guild doesn't have guidelines in place on how to reimburse members for their time and effort when they do a program for our guild. We discussed this at the December executive meeting and have decided to implement the following rates: Members who do a full program (45-60 minutes) will receive \$150. Members who do a shorter program/demo will receive \$50.

If any of our members feel that these amounts are not enough or they are professional quilters and usually charge a higher rate for their presentations, they are of course welcome to let the programs committee know what they think is an appropriate amount for their time. We feel that we shouldn't expect our members to offer a program without any kind of recognition or reimbursement.

We realize that our members don't necessarily expect to be paid for their program contributions, and some might be hesitant to accept payment. In this case, please donate the amount to your favourite charity or use the money to purchase supplies for We Care quilts that you donate back to the guild. We don't want anyone to feel an obligation to refuse payment for a program they presented because someone else didn't accept payment either.

I would like to use this opportunity to encourage all of you to contact Sonja and the programs committee if you have an idea for a presentation that would be of interest to our membership. Many of us have been quilting for quite a while and have lots of quilts to show and stories to tell.

Beatrice

Youth Bags



In this special time of giving please think about the bags we make for the disadvantaged youth in our community. I know some of you are knitting toques and I thank you but we will need other items as well. The Youth Bags page on the web site has been updated, please check it out. <http://chilliwackpiecemakers.com/youth-bags-2020>
Thank you for your generosity!

ZOOM SEW DAYS



The zoom sew days have been awesome and will be continuing for the foreseeable future on alternating Thursdays and Saturdays. Hope you can join us for sewing, chatting sharing, and fun companionship!

Following are upcoming dates - zoom link will be emailed to members prior to the Sew Day.

Saturday Dec 19 / Thursday Dec 24 /
Saturday Jan 2 / Thursday Jan 7

Prizes Every Month!

Thank you so much to **Graceland Fine Quilts and Carola's Quilt Shop** who are donating gift certificate prizes each month to the end



of the year! We will also be giving out gift certificates from Country Folk again this year by random draw. It's super easy to enter to win just by attending meetings or posting on Facebook. Everyone loves a prize, maybe you will be a lucky recipient!

WE CARE

This past month saw 25 quilts generously donated to Agassiz, Cheam Village and Community Services as well as locally to Ann Davis Transition House, Hospice and Better Beginnings. **Thank you to all members for their efforts and commitment!**

Despite Covid 19, our guild continued to make quilts as well as masks for those in need. 125 quilts were donated over this past year even though there was No distribution from March through August. Organizations began accepting quilts in September. Recently we have been approached by the need for quilts by Ann Davis Transition House. Mental and physical health has had a significant impact on their services and numbers are constantly rising. After consultation with Shelley Bollen (CEO), they will accept used quilts in good condition, laundered and placed in a sealed bag. No labels have to be attached but if you do donate used quilts, I (Ginger) would appreciate being informed so that the numbers may be included in our yearly totals. Once again, anyone wishing for a precut quilt kit, please email the guild. Labels may be obtained from Lyn R. Please take all used, washed quilts sealed in a plastic bag to Ly and Ginger will drop off at the Ann Davis Transition House.

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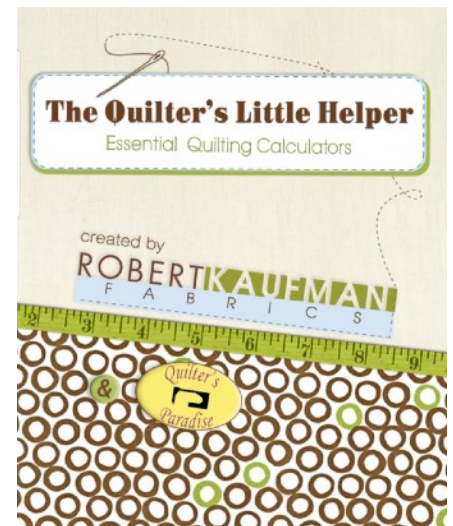
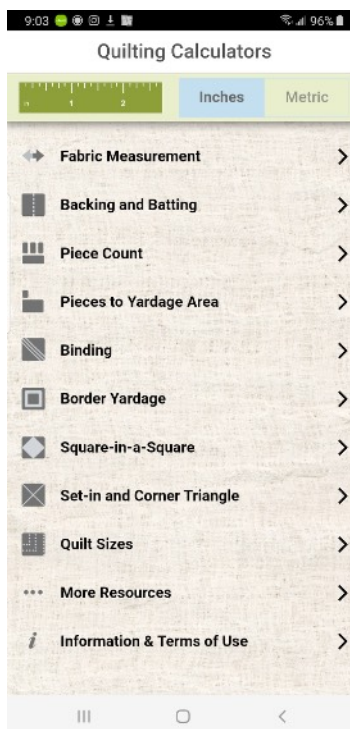
What's APP in quilting?

We are all in some level of lockdown these days and likely spending more time online and more time in our sew rooms than ever before.

Here are some very useful APPS that combine technology with our favourite hobby - quilting of course!

The Quilters Little Helper

by Robert Kaufman is an awesome quilting calculator app that has a whole menu of useful calculators and easy to understand instructions on how to use them.



Whether it's batting, binding, borders, half square, or set in triangles you are needing to figure out, this app calculates exactly what you need! And there's lots more too.

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