



## Marathon Quilters Newsletter Oct, 2023



### President's Corner

What a successful Quilt Show! Thanks to the detailed planning, creative entries and personable members, the guild inspired, educated and welcomed 250 attendees through the doors into our show. Thanks to all who lent a hand to prepare the show, set it up and take it down and kudos to Colleen for leading us through another fabulous endeavor.

Prior to the opening of the show, I thought about what a successful show would look like for me. I considered it meant that we sold "X" number of admissions, or we sold "Y" number of Raffle Quilt tickets or made "Q" number of dollars in Yard Sale purchases, etc. I even asked a few of you to consider the same thought. What would a successful show look like to you?

As we move through the next few meetings hearing about how much money we made, how many conversation we had with attendees from other quilt guilds regarding future partnerships, and how many asked about joining our guild because they were impressed with our work – we will be faced with the question regarding when and where will the next successful quilt show be held.

Our membership is small but mighty and the financial costs and physical efforts of putting on a quilt show like ours are increasing. Planning the next show will require leadership, collaboration, funding and many volunteers. Please consider these guild needs as both Colleen and Nancy retire from their leadership roles and leave opportunities for others to take on.

"You've got to be in it to win it" as they say, so if you haven't yet completed your membership renewal form and submitted your \$25 dues, please do so by the October meeting. If you are a new member, welcome and thank you for joining us and submitting your dues. If you are a potential new member, please know that guests are always welcome to our meetings and invited to try two meetings before deciding to join. Linda will compile the membership list (as per our by-laws) so if you have any questions about what being an active "member" entails, please reach out to Linda directly at [ljgrant@comcast.net](mailto:ljgrant@comcast.net).

With another year of fabulous programs, socializing and friendship, the 2023-24 guild year is going to be fabulous. I hope to see you all at the October meeting!

Regards,  
Nancy

## **October 10, 2023 meeting**

- Special Program by Sue Pelland on rotary cut applique. She is an accomplished designer, quilter, and teacher. You won't want to miss this special evening. To learn more about her and see her marvelous tutorials and templates she has designed check out her web site. <https://suepellanddesigns.com/>



- Other Business
  - Review of Quilt Show - Colleen
  - Community Art Project - see examples in the newsletter
  - Financial updates - Linda

If you have a name tag, please remember to wear it!!

## **Sew Many Possibilities**

The new fiber arts themed HCAM show "Sew Many Possibilities" All four episodes can be viewed here. <https://www.hcam.tv/sewmanypossibilities> To access all videos, click the three lines in the upper right corner of the displayed video.

## **Refreshments for monthly meeting**

October - Colleen

November - Libby

January - Linda



## **Upcoming Events in the area**

Ninigret Quilt Show on October 13-15

41 Railroad Ave, Westerly, RI

For more information check the web site. <http://ninigretquilters.blogspot.com/p/quilt-show-2023.html>

## **Marathon Quilters on FACEBOOK**

- ❖ MARATHON QUILTERS is our private group. Search for Marathon Quilters and submit a request to join. This is a great place to share pictures of what you are working on, inspiration or ideas you think the group would be interested in and ask questions.
- ❖ MARATHON QUILTERS GUILD is our PAGE where we post events and activities to communicate with the community.

**Check us out on the Web - [www.marathonquilters.com](http://www.marathonquilters.com)**

There is also a member's only section on our web page. Contact Dawn for more information.

**Email - [marathonquilters@groups.io](mailto:marathonquilters@groups.io).**

If you want everyone to get the response, click reply.

If the reply only needs to go to the sender, go to the bottom of the email and you will see a link to click to reply just to the sender.

**Quilts of Valor 2023 National Block Drive** <https://www.qovf.org/>

Those interested in making 2023 Quilts of Valor Blocks at home can do that at their leisure and mail their 2023 blocks into the organization.

**New England Quilt Museum** [www.neqm.org](http://www.neqm.org)

Through our Guild membership we receive guest passes that admit 2 people FREE. Contact

Michelle Banton ([Michelle@LittlePupDesigns.com](mailto:Michelle@LittlePupDesigns.com)) if you want to use

our pass for an upcoming visit. Free parking available 2 blocks away in the National Park Service lot on Dutton St.