



Marathon Quilters Newsletter

Sept, 2023

President's Corner

Hello everyone and welcome back to another great year in the guild.

As Quilt Show Co-Chair of this year's show, it has been my pleasure to set up the hanging of our Quilt Show. I enjoy seeing all the quilts and arranging them so they all fit. I thought I would give you some fun facts about this year's show.

- There are 119 quilts and quilt related items, made by 21 different members.
- They are in seven different categories: 27 Wall quilts, 17 Large Bed quilts, 8 Small Bed quilts, 37 Lap quilts, 17 Other items, 9 Quilt Show Challenge and 4 Special Exhibit Banner quilts.
- 66 were longarm quilted by 16 different longarm quilters.
- 44 quilts were machine quilted.
- 15 Quilts are for sale.
- 71 quilts will hang from the structure on the ceiling.
- The quilts were made by residents of 10 different towns.
- Largest quilt is 115" X 115".
- The smallest quilt is 7" X 7".
- The fewest pieces in a quilt are 5.
- The most pieces in a quilt are over 5000.
- There are 2 wood barn quilts in the show.
- There are four banner quilts in the show.
- There is one garment in the show.
- There are 3 baskets in the show.

As always, I am amazed and inspired by the body of work this talented Guild creates in two years' time for the show. We should be proud of all we have accomplished with a guild of about 25 members.

Colleen

WOW! Grant Awards

The Guild has been awarded two significant grants. The Middlesex Savings Bank has awarded \$2,000 for our non-profit and charitable activities and the Massachusetts Cultural Council has awarded one for \$2,500. We also received an award from the Hopkinton Cultural Council. A huge thank you to Jean for writing the grant applications for the Guild.

Program for September 12, 2023

- If you have made a name tag in past years, please remember to wear it!!
- Community Project for Quilt Show:
We need 100 - 6" x 6" pieces of pink or red fabric, any shade will work, for the community project. We will cut them at the meeting as we catch up with each other after the summer, and as we welcome new members. We will have cutting mats, rotary cutters and rulers available for use. Just need you to bring the fabrics.
- Membership Forms - Linda (our new treasurer) will be there with membership forms (one is included at the end of the newsletter if you want to complete it ahead of time) and to collect member dues of \$25 for the coming year. If you are unable to attend you can send your check made out to Marathon Quilters to Linda at 22 Cassandra Ave, Franklin, MA 02038 or contact her for digital payment options.

Polyarts Sept 9 from 10-4 on the Hopkinton Common

If you have made items to sell at Polyarts or our quilt show boutique contact Linda for pick up at ljgrant@comcast.net. If you are available to help set up, man the booth, or break down, please let Linda know.

Raffle Quilt

Contact Pat for additional raffle tickets at Pat_Silvestri@yahoo.com. Reminder - the person selling the most tickets will win a smaller quilt of the same fabrics.

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.

Episode four is set to air on HCAM on Aug 30th at 7:30 p.m. "HOW we do what we do, machine, materials, patterns, and tools." The link is <https://youtu.be/CxVTIAWBRP8> but will also be available at the link mentioned above.

"Sewing Mends Our Souls" Quilt Show Sept 16 & 17, 2023

If you haven't signed up to help, look back to the Marathon Quilters 2023 Quilt Show Setting Up Sign-Up Sheet Invite emailed to the group from Nancy on 8/12.

Thank You Received

Thank you for the many blanket and quilts that you donated to Project Linus. These beautiful blankets and quilts will bring much comfort to the children that receive them. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Upcoming Events in the area

Merrimack Valley Quilt Show on Friday, September 29th - 30th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hope Community Church, 11 Hale Street, Newburyport, MA.

More information is available at <https://mvquilters.org/quilt-show/>

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>

Belchertown United Church of Christ 12th Annual 2023 Quilt + Art Show

Oct 20, 21 from 10- 6pm and Oct 22 from 10-5pm

The Quilts of Jane Crutchfield and the Art of Beverly Johnson

18 Park St. Belchertown, MA - \$5 admission with kids under 12 free

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

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

New England Quilt Museum www.negm.org

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

Michelle Banton (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.



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Whether you are a quilter or would like to learn more about quilting, consider joining us at one of our month meetings. Marathon Quilters Guild, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose primary purposes are to educate, inspire and create quilting project for chosen charities.

We represent all styles and methods of quilting and are always learning new things with outside and in-house experts in a variety of fiber arts. Our guild has approximately 30 member from Hopkinton and neighboring towns. Annual dues are \$25.

We meet from September through June on the 2nd Tues of the month, from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Faith Community Church, 146 East Main St., Hopkinton. Visit our website (www.marathonquilters.com) for a calendar of events and other information. We can also be found on FaceBook at Marathon Quilters Guild.

If you are new, once we have your email we will send you a message from our groups.io group. Follow the instructions in that email you will be in the group to receive all emails sent to marathonquilters@groups.io. This is our primary communication method.

We also share ideas via our private group MARATHON QUILTERS on FaceBook. 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.

Membership Form - Complete and submit with your \$25. Checks should be made payable to Marathon Quilters Guild and brought to our meeting or mailed to Linda Grant, 22 Cassandra Ave, Franklin, MA 02038

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Birthday Month: _____

What interests you?

- Traditional Quilting Modern Quilting Art Quilts Crazy Quilting
 Paper Piecing Hand Applique Machine Applique
 Machine Embroidery/Embellishment Hand Quilting Machine Quilting
 Longarm Quilting Other _____