



Marathon Quilters Newsletter May, 2024

President's Corner

"Art is not what you see, but what you make others see." - Edgar Degas

Something about this quote makes me smile and feel happy. I hope it has the same effect on you. This month's speaker will help you bring out your creative genius which might jump start your progress on a UFO or take you in a whole new direction in fiber art. I will have to wait until the June Potluck to find out all about the program as I am still in "Marathon Mode" with wedding preparations and activities. (I completed the Boston Marathon and had such a great experience training for it that I am looking to run it again next year!). I will look forward to seeing you all at the June Potluck meeting where we can catch up, vote in the budget for the 2024-2025 year, discuss the September 7, 2024 Polyarts event and more!

Regards, Nancy

Leadership Update

Great news! Angelines has volunteered to fill the Vice President position. There are still significant open positions. Please consider saying "yes" to any of the following positions.

P.S. There is always a lot of support for those who commit.

Executive Team

President - ?

Vice President – Angelines Castro

Treasurer – Linda Grant

Teams/Committees

Programs – Mary Ann Fenton, Pat Silvestri, and Michelle Banton

Boutique Coordinator – Angelines Castro & Nancy Burdick

Quilt Show 2025 Coordinator - ?

Charity – Sandy Scardato

Hospitality - ?

Webmaster – Dawn Stewart

Newsletter – Linda Grant

May 14th If Picasso was a Quilter

Our speaker for May is Barbara Graceffa, a modern, contemporary quilter. Come be inspired by Barbara's passion for quilting and design as she shares her expertise and showcases her traditional and artistic contemporary quilts to demonstrate her lecture's lessons.

Barb had a delightful and compelling demonstration at the November 2023 NEQM "Meet the Teachers" event. Barb provides an entertaining and educational program on artistic quilting. In the 2023 Marathon Quilt Guild survey "artistic quilt design" was identified as a request for programs.

Barbara has been honored with four solo exhibits in recent years. She has displayed widely at local quilt shows, and, on her first attempt in summer 2022, an international juried show. In 2023, she began exhibiting her work in Massachusetts art galleries from Boston to Lowell and Cape Cod to Concord. Her quilts have appeared in national print publications, local cable and PBS TV networks as well as in the American Quilter's Society World Quilt Parades. Her quilts are in private collections from San Francisco to Sao Paolo and Paris to Madrid.

Annual Potluck and Social Meeting - Tues, June 11, 2024 6:30 p.m. start

It's time to start planning for our end-of-the-year June Potluck and Social meeting. To ensure ample space and that no one has to clean or vacuum, we will meet at the church - as we usually do - at 6:30 p.m. on Tues June 11, 2024.

A Sign-Up Genius link will be emailed out towards the end of May so people can sign-up to bring their Potluck offering and so others can plan their contributions to the buffet - to ensure variety.

May Birthday Girl

Deb Robbins

Sew Many Possibilities

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

Events in the Area

Chelmsford Quilters Guild Quilt Show

May 18 & 19, 10am-4pm

75 Groton Rd, Chelmsford, MA 01863



New England Quilt Museum www.neqm.org

Through our Guild membership we receive guest passes that admit 4 people FREE. Just let them know when you check in that you belong to our guild. Free parking available 2 blocks away in the National Park Service lot on Dutton St.

Check us out on the Web

www.marathonquilters.com

There is a member's only section. Contact Dawn for password if you need it.

Email - 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.