



# Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild

**BMQG Newsletter – May 2022**

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*The purpose of the guild is to share knowledge of modern quilting techniques, patterns, modern fabrics and quilt-making by providing meetings, social gatherings, educational workshops and field-trips to support quilting activities, encourage modern quilt-making and promote the appreciation of this craft. The Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild supports and encourages the growth and development of modern quilting through art, education and community.*

## **Notes from the President**

And just like that it is May!!! Our first ever May Modern event on May 14<sup>th</sup> is fast approaching. As a reminder, we will not have a formal guild meeting this month. I would like to thank Janet Schoenfeld for organizing this event and also thank members Heather Kojan, Phyllis Cook, and Judy Dunlap for teaching workshops.

On June 12<sup>th</sup>, Cindy Grisdela will be our speaker and will be teaching a workshop on June 11<sup>th</sup> on Improve Curves. It is sure to be a day of learning and fun. Sign up for Cindy's workshop [here](#).

If you have any suggestions or ideas, feel free to email the board at [baltimoremqg@gmail.com](mailto:baltimoremqg@gmail.com)

Happy sewing,

Kathy Schwabeland BMQG President

## **Meeting Programming**

We have an amazing line up of activities in store for you during our monthly meetings this year. Here is what is coming up in May, June and July.

## **May Meeting**

As our Make May Modern event will be taking place on May 14<sup>th</sup>, we will not have a formal guild meeting this month. Enjoy the extra sewing time on Sunday and be sure to take advantage of the digital Make n Take which will be send out to all members prior to the Make May Modern event.

**June 12<sup>th</sup>:** *Cindy Grisdela Lecture*

## **The Anatomy of Improv**



Cindy Grisdela is the author of two amazing books about improv. One is Adventures in Improv Quilts: Master Color, Design & Construction and her latest book is Artful

Improv: Explore Color Recipes, Building Blocks and Free-Motion Quilting.

Cindy is pictured at QuiltCon with her Blue Confetti quilt.

This month will also feature part 3 of our Make It Modern series led Janet Schoenfeld.

Our meeting this month will place via Zoom.

**July 10th:** *Fabric, Friends, and Fun* at Patapsco State Park

In July our meeting will be held at Patapsco State Park. The day will feature the guild library book sale, guild community destash, stitching in the great outdoors, and an in-person Show n Share. Save the date and take advantage of spring cleaning to put items aside for the guild destash.

Further details will be available in the June newsletter.

## Workshops

**Fabulous Freehand Curves – 6 hour class with Cindy Grisdela**

Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> 9am-3pm via Zoom

\$40 for members



Cut large scale curves freehand without templates or patterns. Add dots, skinny lines, wonky triangles and more to give each

curve its own personality, then combine them into a fun original design.

We'll talk about color and design to create the composition as well as the techniques needed.

Basic sewing skills and a sewing machine in good working order are necessary.

Best for students with some experience with curves.

We still have some spots available for this great class. Click [here to register](#)

**Workshop Policy:** Currently, all workshops will be held via Zoom and in general, more people can attend a workshop, so we have not had the need for a wait list.

If you have signed up for a workshop and cannot make it, it is your responsibility to find someone to take your spot. They can pay you directly. You will also need to notify the Education Chair if you cannot make it so that Zoom links can be sent to the correct people.

## Make May Modern Retreat

While registration for the Make May Modern Retreat is closed, Make and Take instructions will be sent to all members the day before the event to make at home. Please share your "make" using social media as well as sharing tips and techniques throughout the day.

## September Community Event

Looking for quilters who are interested in sharing their quilt stories. Anyone interested in getting involved with sharing their quilt/story or helping to video tape members sharing their stories, please reach out to Janine Fesler, 443 354 0834 or [choppiepanda@gmail.com](mailto:choppiepanda@gmail.com).

This is an important part of sharing modern quilting with our community. Your stories are important! We want to see and hear your story. This is for ALL modern quilters from novice to experienced.

<https://quiltalliance.org/projects/qsos/>

## Membership

As of May 1st, we have 90 members for 2022.

**Welcome new member: Heather Harget.**

**Reminder:** To access the National Modern Quilt Guild site:

- Navigate to [themodernquiltguild.com](http://themodernquiltguild.com)
- Click Member Login
- Enter the email address you used to register with Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild
- Enter your password, **OR**
- To create a password, enter the email address you used to register with Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild and click "reset password"
- Enjoy all of the resources available to you!

## QuiltCon

QuiltCon 2023 will take place in Atlanta, Georgia from February 23-26, 2023. More information about next year's show will be available closer to the summer.



## Bingo

Save the date! Yay! We have an official BMQG Charity Bingo fundraising event scheduled for Saturday, April 15th 2023. The bi-annual bingo event hosts approximately 300 people to include friends and family for an evening of fun and helps the guild raise money for the support of guest speakers/events throughout the year. During the evening there will be 20 rounds of bingo, 5 special rounds of bingo and lots of door prizes, raffles, fun and food! We will

be collecting any sewn or quilted items to give at the event. This is a great time to look at your sewing stash to try new techniques or make small projects such as coasters, pot holders, mini quilts, table runners, wall hangings, etc. We will also be giving away lap size quilts (or bigger) as a prize for each bingo round. Several quilts have been collected but there are still some open spots for completed quilts. If you are interested in making a quilt or donating a recently finished quilt please let me know at [meganprice1011@gmail.com](mailto:meganprice1011@gmail.com) Be on the lookout for a sign up sheet coming out soon! Thank you to the many guild members who have already donated a completed quilt or sewn prize for this event! See you there- it's gonna be a blast!



## Social Media

Guild members can keep up with all the latest news and updates and see what their fellow BMQG-ers are making by following the guild on Instagram (@baltimoremqg) and Facebook (search Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild).

Did you know that we have two Facebook pages for our guild? One is a member only page. This page will communicate specifics of what is happening within our guild and celebrate our members.



**Baltimore MQG - Members Group**

Private group · 60 members

There is also a public page where you can see what is happening with the National Modern Guild and have some fun.



If you would like photos of your makes to be shared on the guild accounts, submit them to [communications@baltimoremqg.com](mailto:communications@baltimoremqg.com) or use #BMQGSHowAndShare as permission to repost."

## Care Committee

We have a care committee that sends out notes of encouragement for members during their time of need. The committee is led by Membership. If you know of a member that could use some words of encouragement, please let us know via email at [membership@baltimoremqg.com](mailto:membership@baltimoremqg.com)

## Community Relations

I will be available for you to drop off items to me once a month in the parking lot of Loch Raven High School, off the Baltimore Beltway at Cromwell, if coming from the west, or the Loch Raven exit, if coming from the east, exit 29, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 11am, unless otherwise noted.

**The next pick up will be at Make It Modern on Sat., May 14<sup>th</sup>, or at Loch Raven on Sat., May 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Please let me know in advance if you will be dropping off as to avoid any communication issues. Or, you can drop off at my house on Stansbury Mill Road in northern Baltimore County, if that is more convenient.

[isewmuchtime@gmail.com](mailto:isewmuchtime@gmail.com)

If you are in the Ellicott City/Columbia Area, Kim Rotter has agreed to collect charity quilts to deliver to me. If you are in that area, call Kim to make arrangements.

I have quilt labels available. Let me know if you want any, and I'll put some in the mail to you.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at [isewmuchtime@gmail.com](mailto:isewmuchtime@gmail.com)

JoAnn Stelmack  
Community Relations/Charity Chairperson.

## Library

This year we will be dissolving the guild library. The guild library book sale will be taking place at the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting in Patapsco State Park.

## COVID 2022 Policy

For indoor events longer than 2 hours, you will be required to be fully vaccinated as defined by the CDC.

The guild will follow local, state, and business rules regarding masking, distancing, etc. as set forth by those entities.

## Board Meetings

BMQG Board meetings are open to all members. The calendar of board meeting is included at the end of the newsletter.

## Board Members for 2022

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## Calendar of Activities for 2022

(subject to change)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
5/14/22	Make May Modern Retreat	All Day	Maritime Institute
5/15/22	<b>May Meeting: No meeting this month</b>	1:30-3:30PM	NA
6/5/22	BMQG Board Meeting	10-11AM	Zoom
6/11/22	Workshop – Cindy Griselda	9am to 3pm	Zoom
6/12/22	<b>June Meeting:</b> Lecture by Cindy Griselda and Part 3 of the Make It Modern Series	1:30-3:30PM	Zoom
7/10/22	<b>July Meeting:</b> Fabric, Friends and Fun!	9am til 3pm	Patapsco State Park
8/14/22	<b>August Meeting:</b> Lecture by Laura Hartrich	1:30-3:30PM	Zoom
9/10/22	BMQG Board Meeting	10-11AM	Zoom
9/11/22	<b>September Meeting:</b> Community Event	TBD	TBD

10/7/22 to 10/9/22	BMQG Retreat	All Day	Maritime Institute
10/9/22	<b>October Meeting:</b> Lecture TBD	1:30 to 3:30PM	Zoom
11/6/22	BMQG Board Meeting	10-11AM	Zoom
11/13/22	<b>November Meeting:</b> Lecture with Rose Parr	1:30- 3:30PM	Zoom
12/11/22	<b>December Meeting:</b> End of the Year Celebration	1:30- 3:30PM	TBD

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month unless otherwise noted.

Want to see what we're up to? Connect with us on social media!

Instagram: [@baltimoremqg](#) #baltimoremqg

Facebook: [BaltimoreModernQuiltGuild](#)

Email us at [baltimoremqg@gmail.com](mailto:baltimoremqg@gmail.com)

## Community News

### Save the Date for Faithful Circle Quilters' Garden Party Quilt Show 2022 May 19-21, 2022

Faithful Circle Quilters of Columbia, Md., will celebrate the art of quilting with the **Garden Party Quilt Show 2022**, on May 19, 20, and 21, 2022.

**The Garden Party Quilt Show 2022** showcases quilts made by group members and will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Howard County, 9325 Presbyterian Circle, Columbia, Md.

More than 300 quilts displayed include traditional, modern, and art quilts of all sizes and a wide range of quilting techniques. In addition, there will be daily quilting technique demonstrations, quilting vendors, a \$10-and-under boutique, a silent auction, peddler's table, raffle baskets and quilt art presentations. The show also features

the guild's award-winning raffle quilt, *Starlit Garden*, which placed second at the 2021 Maryland State Fair. The drawing for the raffle quilt will be held on May 21, 2022. Winner need not be present to win.

The Garden Party Quilt Show hours are Thursday, May 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Friday, May 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, May 21, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Adult admission is \$10.00, which covers entry for all three days. Children 10 and under are free.

For more information about quilting or guild membership, visit the guild's website at [www.faithfulcirclequilters.com](http://www.faithfulcirclequilters.com).

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