



Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild

BMQG Newsletter – November 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 fieldtrips 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

Happy Halloween! I hope you are having a fantastic pumpkin filled evening. It is hard to believe but 2022 is rapidly winding down. For our November meeting, we will have Rose Parr providing a lecture on ergonomics. Then in December we will be having our end of the year party.

Thank you to Laura Baltatzis, Monica Richardson, Judy Dunlap, and Elizabeth Berger for providing leadership and entertainment during our October retreat and Sewing Day. It was a great weekend of sewing!

Membership renewal starts on November 1st – more information is in the “membership” section of the newsletter.

We are still need in of a Vice President for the upcoming year on the board. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Berger at belairberger@gmail.com.

Happy sewing,

Kathy Schwabeland BMQG President

Meeting Programming

November 13th: Rose Parr Lecture
Sew Smart: The Ergonomics of Healthy Quilting

Quilting can be a real pain in the neck, so can cutting, pressing, and handiwork! How high should your cutting table be? How about your ironing board, your sewing chair, or your sewing table? Be ready to learn about: the ergonomics of sewing, pressing, cutting, and handiwork. Her stretches are designed for quilters' trouble spots including text/quilters neck, tight shoulders, lower backache, carpal tunnel syndrome prevention, and they can all be done right in your sewing room.

The lecture will take via Zoom and a link will be sent out prior to the meeting.

December 11th: Holiday Party

This month's meeting will be a holiday party and show n tell meeting to show off all

your latest makes. Location for the meeting will be announced when it is closer.

Workshops

None scheduled at this time.

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.

Membership

As of October 1st, we have 102 members for 2022.

Welcome new members Karen Kaiser and Miriam Hurwitz!

It's that time of year again! BMQG membership renewals for the 2023 calendar year start **November 1st** and end at 11:59pm on **Sunday, January 15th**. The annual membership fee will remain the same this year at \$50. After the deadline, you will be removed from the local and national MQG guild rosters. Renew early and on time to make sure you don't lose access to all the wonderful benefits of being a guild member!

Renew your membership here using the blue "Renew Now!" button at the bottom of the page

- <https://www.baltimoremqg.com/membership/>

Email with questions to membership@baltimoremqg.com

Reminder: To access the National Modern Quilt Guild site:

- Navigate to 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!

National Modern News

QuiltCon 2023 registration begins on August 16th.

The upcoming show will take place in Atlanta, Georgia from February 23-26, 2023. Information about the show and registration process can be found [here](#).

Please [add your name to the spreadsheet](#) if you are attending so people can keep in touch at the show and identify roommates if needed.



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 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.



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 2nd Saturday of the month at 11am, unless otherwise noted.

The next pick up will on Saturday, November 12th at 11am Loch Raven High School.

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

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

JoAnn Stelmack
Community Relations/Charity Chairperson.

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.

Recent Charity Quilt Donation from Sue Meyers (on right)



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Community News

The **Baltimore Heritage Quilt Guild** is hosting is Expo at the Timonium Fairgrounds on April 21-22 – and if you would like to participate, you can join BHQG by the end of the year. The Expo will be held in the Home Arts Building. Other important details:

1. All exhibitors must volunteer for at least two hours during the show (there may be other volunteer opportunities besides that weekend)

2. You must register your quilts – there will be an online registration that requires a photo (unfinished or finished) and the finished measurements – this is for ID'ing and planning the exhibits.
3. More details about the registration and volunteer process will be released later this fall.

You can join or renew online using PayPal (and you don't need a PayPal account)
 - <https://www.baltimorequilters.com/renewmembership/>.

This is a great opportunity to invite your family and friends to see your quilts on display in a large venue.

Calendar of Activities for 2022

(subject to change)

Date	Activity	Time	Location
11/6/22	BMQG Board Meeting	10-11AM	Zoom
11/13/22	November Meeting: Lecture with Rose Parr	1:30-3:30PM	Zoom
12/11/22	December Meeting: End of the Year Celebration	1:30-3:30PM	TBD

We meet on the 2nd 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