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Newsletter June 2022

Next meeting – June 28, 2022 – Christ Lutheran Church, 311 Hershey Rd, Normal, IL 61761

Social time with food 5:30 pm CST, meeting starts at 6pm.

BNMQG June Meeting on June 28th

Our June meeting is being held on June 28th. The format of this meeting will not work for zoom. Our June meeting will be a social meeting with games, etc. A fun time to get to know other members. We have many new members and I look forward to getting to know them better. Learn how to make ANY quilt block modern with this quilting design. No need to bring anything. There will be prizes too!

Show and Tell

Please bring your show and tell – we love to see what everyone has been working on!

BNMQG Gear



We have had so much interest in the BNMQG Gear that was picked up at the April meeting on June 3rd, that we plan on re-opening the store. More details to come!



Block Lotto

Reminder that we currently taking a break on Block Lotto as we work on our 10th Anniversary Improv Log Cabin blocks for Community Outreach Quilts. For more details on our 10th Anniversary blocks, please visit our [website](#).

Community Outreach



Please continue having fun with improv for your 10th Anniversary Improv Log Cabin blocks – 10” finished, 10 ½” unfinished. These blocks will become quilts donated to the Cancer Center and Bed Blitz. For more details on our 10th Anniversary blocks, please visit our [website](#). We have already had **269** blocks turned in! That is amazing! We are doing great things for our community!

Turn in completed 10th Anniversary blocks at any meeting through August. Every 10 blocks earns you a ticket for our 10th anniversary prize.

May Meeting follow up

Thank you to all of our awesome presenters – Paula M. (Scan and Cut), Erin H. (Log cabin blocks), Maria C. (rope bowls), Betty W. (curves), Lisa B. (Cam Snaps), Pat S. (Heartbeat) and Dee Lyn B. (Look for her handout from the May meeting on flange binding – it is in the member’s only area of the [webpage](#).)



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Mattoon Arts Council & Lytle Park Quilt Show

Mattoon Arts Council and Lytle Park held their Outdoor Quilt Show again this year on Saturday, June 11th from 10am to 6pm. Weather was fantastic and it was fun to see our mini quilts hanging together. Some of our members (and spouses) came to the event. Thanks Jamie W. for inviting us to participate again this year.



Viewer's choice award went to Laurie S.





July meeting - Big Stitch Quilting



Our very own Kathy C. will be our featured speaker for July. She will be discussing Big Stitch Quilting. Join Kathy Cook for a lecture on Big Stitches. She'll share details about the origins of centuries old practices including Kawandi, Kantha and Boro. Modern big stitches are being used for everything from accenting quilts to mending jeans! You'll learn everything you need to get started on your own project!



Upcoming Events

Lecture is free for members, there will be guest tickets for the lecture for non-members. Registration for the workshop will open on June 28th for members and on October 1st for non-members. Please note the date change for the November meeting to the Tuesday *after* Thanksgiving

BNMQG Welcomes
David Owen Hastings

Lecture: Tuesday,
November 29th
6pm Central Time

Workshop: Saturday,
December 3, 2022
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Central Time



Zoom Lecture: Minimal Design, Maximum Impact

The modern quilting movement is evolving and changing, but one thing remains consistent: simple, spare design combined with thoughtful quilting make an outstanding combination.

Zoom Workshop: Mini Mid-Mod Quilts

These charming little quilts are inspired by Mid-Century Modern design, and are a great skill-building project to learn a number of quilting techniques.

WORK SMALL, WORK SMART, LOOK GREAT.

3 hours: We will start with a simple, modern color palette of neutral fabrics with a flash of color. Clean lines combined with simple design give each tiny composition a sophisticated feeling. Since we are working very small, this is a great project for using small scraps and bits of special fabric. Participants will learn the quilt-as-you-go method.





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BNMQG Welcomes
Carolina Oneto

Lecture:
Tuesday, January 24th
6pm Central Time

Workshop:
Saturday, January 28th
9am - 1pm Central Time



Zoom Lecture: The Power of Color

composition: Color is an important element in art, understanding how to use it it can be a strong tool to create contrast, balance, focal point and many other important principles when it is time to compose your own work.



Zoom Workshop: Curves and transparencies:

In this workshop the assistant will make a mini quilt top, where we will design it from scratch. Then we will talk about Color Theory and how we can create a Transparency effect with color and fabrics. I will teach you how to cut fabrics with complex shapes and to join these curved shapes by machine.



<https://carolinaoneto.com/>

Modern Mystery Quilt

You don't want to miss out on this Modern Mystery Quilt experience! This is an excellent opportunity to explore multiple modern techniques. It is not too late to join us – you can sign up at any time and be eligible to win the grand prize (currently \$325).

There are monthly prizes, as well as a grand prize at the end, and more but the best part – a finished quilt top! There are monthly zoom meetings. Sign up is available on our website or at any BNMQG meeting. Join NOW so you get all the emails, materials, and zoom invites. It is a real Modern Mystery!



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BNMQG Sew Days

Mark your calendar and plan to attend our Summer Sew Days at Christ Lutheran Church, 311 N. Hershey Ave., Normal, IL 61761. Work on guild projects or bring your own.

Wed., June 22 from 9 am – 3 pm.

Sat., July 9 from 9 am – 3 pm.

Tues., July 26 starting at 9 am – our meeting day so come and sew and stay for the **Big Stitch meeting with Kathy Cook**.

Tues., August 9 from 9 am – 3 pm.

Tues., August 23 starting at 9 am – our meeting day so come and sew and stay for the **special 10th anniversary meeting and election of officers**.

VP Corner with Nancy Norem Powell

Planning for QuiltCon in Atlanta, GA (Feb. 23 – 26, 2023)?



- Hotel registration through QuiltCon has opened.
- ***Put this date on your calendar:*** Early Bird Registration for MQG Members opens on August 16, 2022, at 9 am CDT/2 pm GMT
- Early Bird deals for MQG Members:
All MQG members who register for QuiltCon by November 30, 2022 and select the four-day show pass will receive the **pass for free!** *NOTE: If an MQG member does NOT register for QuiltCon by November 30, 2022, they cannot receive the show pass for free and will have to pay full prices.*
- MQG Members also receive 20% off their workshop and lecture purchases if purchased during early bird registration, which ends November 30, 2022! Discount does not apply to yoga or special events.
- A limited number of event goodie bags will be RANDOMLY distributed to members who complete a paid registration prior to August 23, 2022.
- Quilt submissions for QuiltCon 2023 will be open Sept. 1, 2022–Oct. 31, 2022



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QuiltCon 2023

February 23 – 26, 2023
Featuring Chawne Kimber
 Atlanta Convention Center at
 AmericasMart in Atlanta, Georgia

QuiltCon 2024

February 22-25, 2024
 Raleigh, North Carolina
 More details to come

There are some amazing opportunities again this year for QuiltCon quilts with the announcement of these challenges.

The 2023 Community Outreach Challenge

For this year’s Community Outreach Challenge, guilds are asked to make quilts that show a color shift, or gradient, in the piecing. MQG has selected two to choose from! **BNMQG has a design team and is looking for members willing to work on our quilt.** More info is available [here](#).



The 2023 Windham Ruby+Bee Fabric Challenge

This challenge is open to all BNMQG/MQG members. More information is available [here](#).

The 2023 American Patchwork & Quilting Modern Log Cabin Quilt Challenge

Eligible quilts must use a log cabin or log cabin variation as a primary element in the design. More information is available [here](#).



The 2023 Modern X Quilt Challenge

Eligible quilts must use an ‘X’ shape as a primary element in the design.



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Modern Retreat

Wowzers! We sold out all of the seats for the retreat on the first night! We have started our waiting list. If you are interested in attending the retreat, but have not signed up already, please sign up for the waiting list. Last year, we ended up using the entire waiting list.

Dates: September 9 (1 pm) – September 12 (noon)

Place: Holiday Inn & Suites, 3203 E. Empire, Bloomington, IL 61704
PH: 309-662-4700

Cost: \$125 for BNMQG members (and if spots open up - \$150 for non-members after July 1st) which includes 3 dinners, hospitality room, swag bags, and sewing space.

Signup/Waiting list via Sign Up Genius [here](#)

Signup Deadline: BNMQG July meeting

Note: If you have just paid your deposit, your balance is due on or before the June 28th meeting.

Send Checks to: BNMQG, PO Box 154, Normal, IL 61761

Optional: Rooms at the Holiday Inn are \$99/night + taxes for a room with two queen beds – You will reserve these directly with the hotel, mention the BNMQG retreat for this price.





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Tech communications

Zoom – Check your emails 1-2 days before our meetings or workshops to find your Zoom invites. Sometimes there is important information in the email and/or attachments for you to access/print. So read your email for this information.

BNMQG Calendar – Did you know that you can link the BNMQG calendar with your Google Calendar on your computer, phone, or tablet? Guild info can be found there as well as QuiltCon and quilt show info. Take advantage of this great benefit for BNMQG members!

Website/Blog – <https://bnmqg.org> This password is only available to members whose dues are paid. You'll need this if you want access to the Member Only area on this site. Contact Lisa B. if you need help - l.baermann@comcast.net

In the member area, please check the list of members and double check that your contact info is correct. If you need to correct or complete your information, please send an email to: BNMQG@hotmail.com and put **Attn Noemi** in the subject area. Thanks.

For your BNMQG Calendar

June 22nd – Sew Day 9-3

June 28th – Social night with games, no zoom available, slate of officers introduced

July 9th – Sew Day 9-3

July 26th – Sew Day followed by our BNMQG meeting with Kathy Cook – Big Stitch Quilting

August 9th – Sew Day 9-3

August 23rd – Sew Day followed by our BNMQG meeting with 10th Anniversary of BNMQG, election of officers for 22-23

September 9th-12th – BNMQG Retreat

Follow our **Modern Mini Showcase** as the Original Sewing and Quilt Expo takes them around the U.S.

[Dallas - Irving, TX](#) | August 18, 19 & 20, 2022

[Fredericksburg, VA](#) | Sept. 29, 30 & Oct. 1, 2022

[Cincinnati - Sharonville, OH](#) | October 13, 14 & 15, 2022

[Nashville - Lebanon, TN](#) | October 20, 21 & 22, 2022

[Detroit - Novi, MI](#) | November 10, 11 & 12, 2022

2021-22 Quilt Show Info/Calendar

September 8-10, 2022 – The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show, Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI



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Have you joined BNMQG on Facebook? The BNMQG is a closed GROUP just for our current members. It was started in 2019 – 2020 as a private group for BNMQG members. If you're not already a member, use this link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/BNMQG/>. This is different from the other Facebook page where anyone can see posts on that page and files aren't allowed to be shared - <https://www.facebook.com/Bloomington-Normal-Modern-Quilt-Guild-469886799702183/>

1) Request to join the group, 2) answer two questions, and 3) you'll be approved to become a member of this page. You will be able to download files, newsletters, registration forms, workshop instructions, renewal forms, etc. This was not possible on our Bloomington Normal Modern Quilt Guild (PAGE).



Are you on Instagram? Follow our guild @BNMQG and as you post your modern quilting photos, please use the hashtags #BNMQG and #BNMQGquilts.



BNMQG is now on **Pinterest**
- <https://www.pinterest.com/bnmquiltguild/>

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Chairs

Block Lotto and Fabric Raffle – Leslie Swearinger and Marilyn Beal
Community Outreach – Pat Silva
Fabric Raffle Sales – Pam Laws
Hospitality – Barb Stevens and Mary Rose Hill
Library – Valerie Schaeffer
Membership – Noemi Bowers
MQG Liaison – Betty Woodruff
2022 Retreat Chair – Paula Meiner
Nominating Committee – Leslie Swearinger and Stormy Helton
Photographer – Kelly Cummings Cowles
Social Media – Nancy Powell & Betty Woodruff
Survey board and door prize – Danna Boore
Webmaster and Zoom expert – Lisa Baermann