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Newsletter October 2022

Next meeting – October 25, 2022 - 6pm CST, social time at 5:30 pm CST
– Christ Lutheran Church, 311 Hershey Rd, Normal, IL 61761

President's notes:



As we start the final quarter of 2022, I am finding more time for quilting! The season is changing and days are much shorter - much less yard work and other outside activities to cut into my quilting time. Do you find that you quilt more during some seasons? I also find it much more pleasant to hand bind quilts when the weather is cooler!

October is our last dual meeting for awhile – we will be having zoom only meetings starting in November, going through February.

Please think about how you can be more involved in our guild – it is a great way to get to know more members! Sharing our love of modern quilting is a great place to start a new friendship.

Membership renewals are due

Reminder that you need to renew your membership by the October meeting – the password for the member's area will change on November 1st and you will be removed from the BNMQG Facebook group at the same time. You can renew online [here](#) using the PayPal links in the sidebar or bring the form available on the [Member's page](#) and a check to the October meeting. If you are not sure if you have renewed already, please check with Noemi.

October meeting

We will be having hands on stations at our October meeting. Several members will be sharing their talents (facing, binding, greeting cards, decorative threads, and pillow zipper closures). Hands on activities were one of the most popular activities on our recent survey, so we are trying to do more of those.

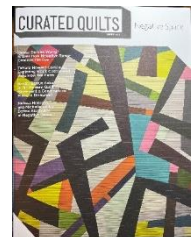
We will be doing a dual meeting, so you can still attend via zoom. We will have a tablet connected to zoom, which will go to each station.

If you have a quick project or technique, you are willing to share, please let a board member know, so that we can plan future hands on events.

Curated Quilts Magazine

Two of our members – **Karla Miley** and **Nancy Powell** - have quilts in the current edition (Negative Space – Issue 21) of Curated Quilts Magazine! It is so fun to see our guild member's talent highlighted in such a great magazine!

Nancy also has an article about her Cube Illusion Quilt. If you aren't already a subscriber, you can order a copy [here](#).





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Quilted Coat Workshop Continues

We have had our first class and are prepping for the second class. We learned about how to grade a pattern for fit and choosing fabric (or an existing quilt or quilt top) and how to think about the quilt pattern as pattern pieces are laid out.

Looking forward to seeing everyone's progress!

With Erin Grogan of LoveSewModern This workshop is two 3 hour classes via Zoom. Sign up [here](#). Erin will be recording session one for participants to watch between the two sessions.

Saturday, October 8 from 9 am – 12 pm CST and Saturday, October 22 from 9 am – 12 pm



Community Outreach



Pat S. will be delivering our 30 completed Heartbeat quilts to Carle Bromenn Hospital soon.

10th Anniversary Improv Log Cabin blocks - we had **410** blocks turned in! That is amazing! We are doing great things for our community! So far,

23 quilt tops have been made from those **410** blocks. We have

8 completed quilts, we also have **5** quilts ready for binding! Many

people took blocks or quilt tops home from previous meetings, so hoping to see more quilt tops or completed quilts at the October meeting!



We still have 46 blocks for those interested in making tops. They will be available at the October meeting or please contact Pat S.

We are happy to take donations of leftover fabric to add to quilt tops for negative space with the blocks. We will also accept donations of batting and backing fabric.

There will be a separate prize drawing for those that put together a quilt top out of the blocks, quilt a quilt top or bind a completed top. If you do all 3 things, you will get your name in the drawing 3 times!

Now that Pat is settling in as Vice President, we are also looking for a new Community Outreach Coordinator or Co-Coordinators. Please let a board member know if you (and a friend) are interested.

Show and Tell

Please bring your show and tell – we love to see what everyone has been working on! If you or your project can't be at physically at the meeting, please upload a photo to the FaceBook Album for October Show and Tell.



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Block Lotto

We are looking to revamp our Block Lotto program to possibly involve Community Outreach, due to the high participation in our 10th Anniversary blocks, but we are considering doing something other than improv log cabin blocks. If you have ideas, or want to lead the new effort, please talk to a board member.

Volunteer Opportunities



Looking for a way to get to know other guild members and have fun at the same time?

Become a committee member or volunteer such as being co-chair for Community Outreach or Block Lotto or as an additional photographer. If interested in a future Board member position, reach out to the current person in that position to see if it is a good fit for you. Open positions due to term limits will be President and Treasurer.

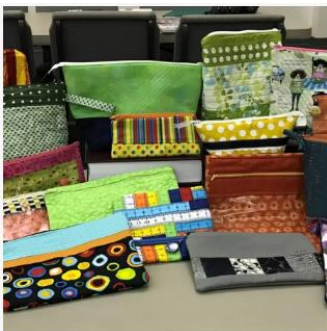
The more hands we have working behind the scenes, the more fun events we can continue to do as a guild.

BNMQG Swap Opportunity

We will have details and sign ups available at the October meeting for our holiday swap in December. If you are not at the meeting or decide later you would like to join, there will be a Sign Up Genius available. After the sign up deadline, you will be randomly paired with a partner and then both of you will make one item for each other. Items can be swapped in person, or mailed in order to be received in time for our Holiday Zoom on December 27th, which is a fun social zoom meeting.

Swap items are a great way to use a new technique that you have learned recently or to try out a new technique! It is a fun way to get to know another one of our members and stretch yourself by trying something new!

Past holiday swaps have been things like potholders and pincushions. In the past, we have also done swaps that have included zipper pouches, post cards and pillows.





VP Corner with Pat Silva

I wanted to highlight a quilter a month in my corner and decided to start with the ten women who were our first members. This month I want to tell you a short story about Becky Boline.

Her first quilt was made in 1973 in honor of her great-grandmother who was her inspiration for quilting. This quilt was a king size quilt made from wool by cutting apart old clothes and was backed with wide-whale corduroy. Can you imagine how heavy that quilt was?

She decided to join the Modern Quilt Guild ten years ago upon the suggestion of a friend. Becky felt if she was going to service this “new” group of quilters in her shop she needed to go and find out more about modern quilting. She left that first meeting, went home and ordered six books on modern quilting.

You can hear more about her story by stopping by [Bolines Quilt Fabric Warehouse](#) and while you’re there ask Becky to see her great grandmother’s hem-stitching machine.



Modern Mystery Quilt

The Modern Mystery Quilt has been quite an experience! It has been an excellent opportunity to explore multiple modern techniques and this year was all about IMPROV. AND, members have been completing their challenges at over 80%!!! 😊 Challenge #10 is due on October 24. Challenge #11 will be announced on November 7th which gives members an extra week to do some catching up.

Members will complete 11 challenges and design/complete a quilt top to be eligible to win the grand prize (currently \$340). Photos of completed quilt tops/quilts must be submitted before February 14 to be in the drawing! It is a real Modern Mystery! Finished quilts could be selected to be in a gallery show in Decatur next August. On Instagram? Post and use #bnmqgmodernmystery2022

BNMQG Community Challenge Quilt for MQG

Many thanks to Kathy C. and Nancy P. for designing our Challenge Quilt for MQG – we used the blue/green gradient. Blocks were worked on by BNMQG members on sew days.

The top is now completed and is amazing! Betty W. has it and has begun the quilting it. Are you on Instagram? Check #BNMQG to see the amazing comments!





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Upcoming Events

Lecture is free for all members, guest tickets are available on our [Events and Workshops Tickets page](#). Registration is open for the workshops listed below and also on our [Events and Workshops Tickets page](#). 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**



Zoom Workshop: **Mini Mid-Mod Quilts**



DAVID'S WEB SITE: www.davidowenhastings.com INSTAGRAM: [@davidowenhastings](#)

BNMQG Welcomes
Carolina Oneto

Lecture:
Tuesday, January 24th
6pm Central Time

Workshop:
Saturday, January 28th
9am – 1pm Central Tim



<https://carolinaoneto.com/>

Zoom Lecture: **The Power of Color**



Zoom Lecture: **Curves and Transparencies**



Hurry – spots are selling quickly!
Tickets are now available to non-members



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MQG Sessions Volume 1



It is not too late to sign up for the MQG Sessions Volume 1 going on this weekend through Sunday. All lectures are being recorded and can be viewed through October 31st. Cost is \$95 and you can register [here](#).



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

Hope everyone registered for QuiltCon! It is not too late to register for the show or for lectures. Some workshops are still available. If you are interested in a sold out workshop, please join the wait list. Many things can happen between now and next February and spots can become available. **Members get a free show pass and 20% off until November 30.**

The deadline for signing up for the MQG Swap is behind us, but hoping many of you signed up for it. A great way to get to know another modern quilter and to try out a new to you technique.

There are some amazing opportunities again this year for QuiltCon quilts with the announcement of these individual challenges. These challenge quilts follow the same admission timelines as other QuiltCon quilt entries – **all are due on October 31, 2022.**



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](#).





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The 2023 Modern X Quilt Challenge

Eligible quilts must use an 'X' shape as a primary element in the design. More information is available [here](#).

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> Find our recaps, previews of meetings, purchase workshop tickets, newsletters, and more on our website. The password for the Member's only page is only available to members whose dues are paid. 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

October 22 via Zoom – BNMQG zoom workshop – part 2 with Erin Grogan.

October 25th – BNMQG meeting

November 29th via Zoom – BNMQG zoom meeting with David Owen Hastings

December 3rd via Zoom – David Owen Hastings' Workshop via zoom

December 27th via Zoom – BNMQG Zoom meeting

January 24th via Zoom – BNMQG Zoom meeting with Carolina Oneto

January 28th via Zoom – Carolina Oneto's Transparency Workshop via Zoom

February 23-26 – QuiltCon in Atlanta, GA

February 28th via Zoom – BNMQG meeting with Elizabeth DeCroos and pojagi quilts

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

[Nashville - Lebanon, TN](#) | October 20, 21 & 22, 2022
[Detroit - Novi, MI](#) | November 10, 11 & 12, 2022

2022-23 Quilt Show Info/Calendar

November 2nd – 6th – Houston Quilt Festival, George R Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas

February 23 – 26 – QuiltCon, Atlanta Convention Center at AmericasMart, Atlanta Georgia

April 28-29 – Hands All Around Quilt Show and our Modern Quilt Showcase



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Have you joined BNMQG on Facebook? The BNMQG is a private GROUP just for our current members. It was started in 2019 – 2020 as a private group for BNMWQ members. If you're not already a member of this group, use this link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/BNMQG/>.

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 post info and questions, share photos, download files, newsletters, registration forms, workshop instructions, renewal forms, etc. This was not possible on our Bloomington Normal Modern Quilt Guild (PAGE).

Our Bloomington Normal Modern Quilt Guild Facebook page is a public page and used to promote modern quilting and guild activities - <https://www.facebook.com/Bloomington-Normal-Modern-Quilt-Guild-469886799702183/>



Are you on Instagram? Follow our guild @BNMQG and as you post your modern quilting photos, please use the hashtags #BNMQG and #BNMQGquilts and #bnmqmodernmystery2022.



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

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Block Lotto and Fabric Raffle – **Your name could be here! Please volunteer!**
Community Outreach – **Your name could be here! Please volunteer!**
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Hospitality – Mary Rose Hill and Donna Phillips
Library – Valerie Schaeffer
Membership – Noemi Bowers
MQG Liaison – Betty Woodruff
2023 Retreat Co-Chairs – Nancy Powell and Noemi Bowers

Nominating Committee 22-23 – Leslie Swearinger and Stormy Helton
Photographer – Maria Conrad, Lynn Harris and friends **Your name could be here! Please volunteer!**
Programs – Nancy Powell
Social Media – Nancy Powell & Betty Woodruff
Survey board and door prize – Danna Boore
Webmaster – Lisa Baermann
Zoom expert – Lisa Baermann