



**GARDEN  
STATE  
QUILTERS**

# March/April 2023 Newsletter

Member National Quilting Association,  
Chapter 124

## How Can You Help?

It is that time of year again to collect Nominations for Volunteers for all OPEN positions with Garden State Quilters.

The GSQ organization is functions with Volunteers. Our Volunteers provide ongoing services to make GSQ a fun place to fellowship and exchange ideas. Whether the individuals holding these positions decide to Pass the Baton or Stay on Board for another term, consider all the positions and take time to reach out to the chairperson or committee members to learn more.

This is an opportunity for you to join the team. You can shadow a position or learn as a committee member how things get done. Consider working at one of the many tables set up during the meeting. Your participation will help us to continue to make this the best GUILD ever. The buddy system can also work for all positions. Partner with a friend. All assistance is welcomed.

### Board Election Timeline:

- March – Accumulate a list of member volunteers for open positions
- April – present the nominees to members
- May – election
- July – New Board Transition

### Positions for consideration.

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Webmaster
- Hospitality

Remember this is your guild. The Board will also be reviewing the 2023-2024 budget. We will make every effort to maintain services while trying to lower our costs. I hope that members will be open to potential changes that may occur.

Details coming soon about a potentially great opportunity for members to display quilts and promote Garden State Quilters in July.

Piecing and quilting every chance I get,  
Karen

# Quilt Show (Oct 2023)



## GSQS Boutique 2023

The GSQ Show Boutique Committee thanks you in advance for your contributions to our show.

**What to make?:** Quilting, crocheting, knitting, doll making or other crafts – whatever displays your best talent. NOTE: If you're using a commercial copyrighted pattern, please contact the company to get permission to sell a few of the finished items at the show.

**Pricing:** You may suggest a price, however, the Boutique committee has the last say on pricing.

**Ideas:** Lap quilts, baby quilts, bibs, dolls, pillowcases, small purses and tote bags, holiday items, seasonal items, sports themed items, kitchen items, tableware, napkins, placemats, sewing kits, pin cushions, sachets, travel jewelry holder, coffee cup sleeves, coasters, potholders, fabric bowls and baskets, wine bottle bags, orphan blocks, cloth baskets, small stuffed animals, coin purses, small zipper bags, etc.

**Turn in items:** Items may be turned in at our guild meetings or contact Jann or Donna. The deadline for donations will be our September 2023 meeting.

**Return of items:** Anything that does not sell will be returned at the November 2023 guild meeting after the show.

# Quilt Show (Oct 2023)

**Little Wishes Raffle:** Little Wishes are small quilts that are raffled off at the Guild Quilt Show. The quilts should be no smaller than 12" on a side and no larger than 24" on a side. Any quilting or design technique is acceptable. A hanging sleeve is not required. The quilts should be newly made and clean. The Little Wishes are raffled off at the quilt show in bunches of about 20-24, there will be three or four of these drawings each day of the show. Raffle tickets are \$1 each. Little Wishes Quilts can be turned in to Ginger Scott at any of the regular general Guild meetings.



**Raffle quilt:** Members will be receiving an envelope containing a picture of the raffle quilt and 20 tickets to be sold by each member at the March meeting. Tickets are \$1/ticket. Please see Ginger Scott and Jean Stubaus to get your tickets.

We also need members help in spreading the word. If you are able to help us distribute postcards, put up flyers, etc., please see the Quilt Show committee to tell us how you can help.

**For Boutique questions, please contact:** Jann Slapin at [jannslapin@gmail.com](mailto:jannslapin@gmail.com) and 908-451-1172, or Donna Koenig at [dtk514@live.com](mailto:dtk514@live.com)

**For Little Wishes questions, please see:** Ginger Scott

**For Quilt Show volunteering information:** please see Chris Courtney, Jean Stubaus, or Ginger Scott

# General Guild Notes

**Membership**: A reminder that all members and guests should wear their badge at every meeting. This will help new members see who you are. If you have any changes to your address or contact information, please see Jan Martin or email her at [jmartinnj@comcast.net](mailto:jmartinnj@comcast.net).

**General meetings** are **in person** at Grace Church, unless otherwise noted on the website. Dates are listed on page 10. **Board meetings** are also in person two weeks prior to the general meeting, unless noted beforehand. Please let us know if you will attend so we can give you meeting information in advance. Dates are listed on page 10.

**Drop and Shop**: Drop and Shop will be open in March and April, and will be accepting everything pertaining to quilting-fabric, tools, books, patterns etc. Bring your own bag and for \$5.00, fill it up with quilt goodies!!



**Fabric Raffle**: Instead of a book raffle that we had in past years, we've been conducting a fabric raffle at each membership meeting instead. We've had some incredible fabric bundles that have been raffled at each meeting so far this year.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

**Friendship quilt**: Please hand in blocks for the quilt to Alix Martin as soon as possible.

**Hospitality**: Hospitality committee will provide individual waters and small snacks until further notice.

**Library**: Library is open in March and April, and as always reach out to Laura with any requests or suggestions of books you think the guild ought to own.

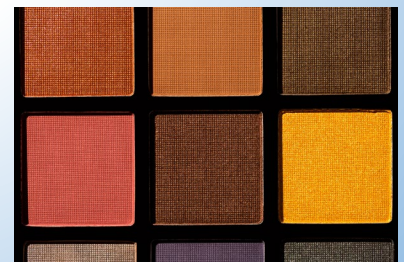
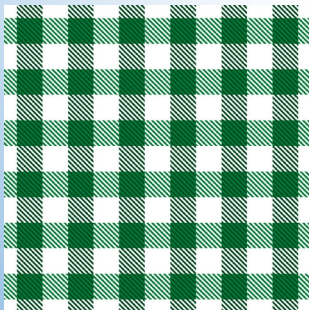
**Newsletter:** As in past years, we run a newsletter every 2 months and anyone in the guild may contribute (see “Member News” section at the back of this edition on page 11). We ask that contributions be sent to [cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com](mailto:cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com) by the following dates:

<b><u>For Edition</u></b>	<b><u>Please send by:</u></b>
May-June	April 15 <sup>th</sup>

***Razzle Dazzle:*** Bring a fat quarter (FQ – 18” x 22”) to each meeting according to the schedule below and get a ticket for each FQ that you bring towards the drawing to win all the fat quarters brought in that night. In the past, there were meetings where we had so many participants that we were able to have 2 fat quarter bundle winners!

### **SCHEDULE FOR 2023**

MARCH - PLAIDS  
APRIL - SQUARES  
MAY - TREES  
JUNE - STRIPES



# Programs

On March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, Programs will be hosting Michelle Banton:



<https://www.littlepupdesigns.com/>

Michelle's lecture at the March 13<sup>th</sup> guild meeting will be:

## **Looking Great, Dresden Plate**

A look at the history of the nearly 100-year-old Dresden Plate quilt block. What inspired it? How is it being kept current? Something old is still new. We'll see traditional designs and more modern variations.

The workshop on March 14<sup>th</sup> will be:

## **Dresden Neighborhood**

Location: Grace Episcopal Church, Madison

9:30 a.m. —3:30 p.m.

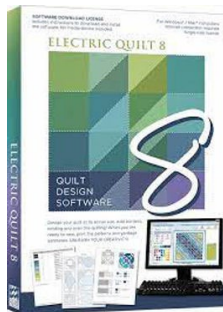
A fun class based on Persimon Dreams' Dresden Neighborhood pattern. Make it your own – scrap friendly. You'll finish to the top in class.



April 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> the guild is thrilled to be hosting **Mary Cargill**. She will be speaking about and running a workshop on Broderie Perse, a traditional and little known form of applique and quilting. It is an applique technique using elements (flowers, birds, etc) that are cut from fabric and applied onto solid fabric to make a scene or central design. The workshop is at Sew Jersey.



For May, Programs is putting together a lecture on the ease and power of using Electric Quilt 8 for quilt design and layout (May 8).



A workshop on May 9<sup>th</sup> is by our very own Ginger Scott, who will show us the ins and outs of Collage Quilt making. The workshop will be at Sew Jersey from 3-7 pm. No sewing machine needed!



Sign up and make this a great year for our guild!!!!  
If you have any ideas or want to help in our workshops, please contact Carol or Mary. For cancellation policy, please contact Carol or Mary.

# Sunshine

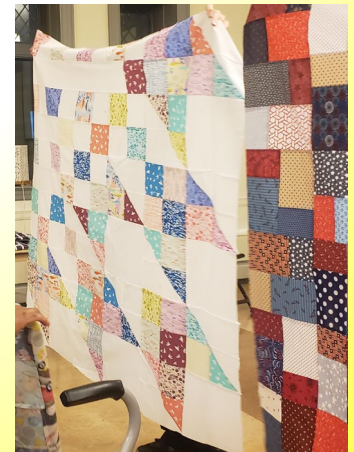
Sunshine committee is working hard to assemble kits for piecing, quilting and binding. Volunteers are needed. It's your choice which part of the process you would like to do for our charity quilts. Come visit the Sunshine table at our monthly meetings to pick up a kit. Work at home at your leisure then bring back your finished work at a later meeting. Directions are included for piecing kits.

Would you like to join fellow guild members for a charity sit and sew? We meet once a month at the Chatham Library from 1 pm – 4 pm. Bring your sewing machine and we will provide the rest.

## Upcoming Bees:

- Wednesday, March 22, 2023
- Wednesday, April 19, 2023
- Wednesday, May 17, 2023
- Wednesday, June 21, 2023

We hope to see you soon! Happy quilting!



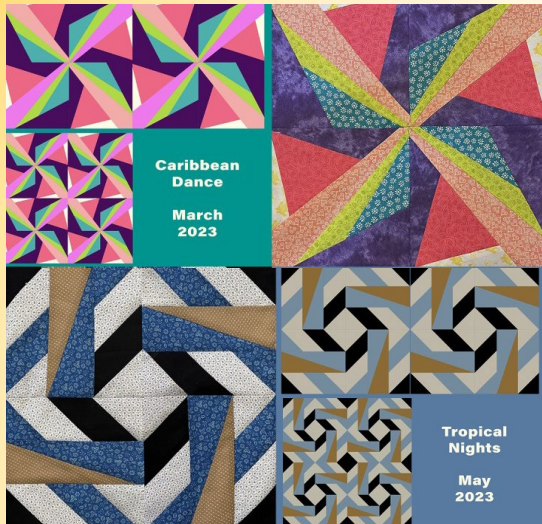


# Block of the Month

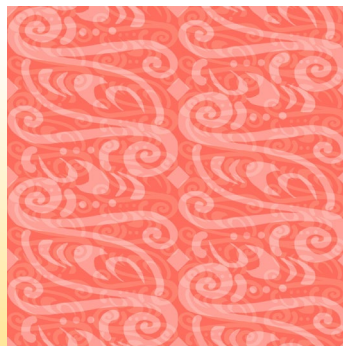
Paper pieced blocks of the month are shown below as well as the Strawberry Supper Ice Cream Cone Block. All are available for download at:

<https://www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/block-of-the-month>

Note: You will need to log in with the password that is on the back of your current membership card in order to access the files for download.



Yolanda has also been working on some Maori-inspired designs for a new fabric collection entitled Turbulent Waters during her trip to New Zealand.



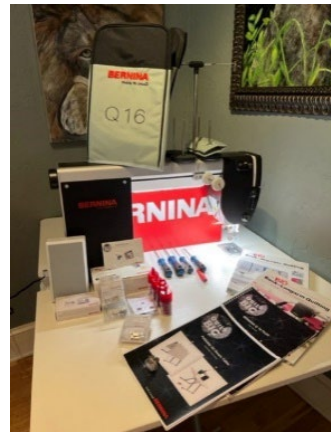
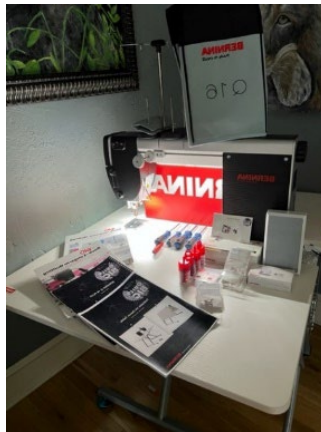
# Calendar of Events – Spring/Summer 2023

<u>DATE</u>		<u>Event</u>
		Board Meeting
March 13		<b>Guild Meeting - Michelle Banton</b>
March 14		<b>Workshop with Michelle at Grace Episcopal</b>
March 22		Bee
		Board Meeting
April 10		<b>Guild Meeting - Mary Cargill</b>
April 11		<b>Workshop with Mary Cargill at Sew Jersey</b>
April 19		Bee
		Board Meeting
May 8		<b>Guild Meeting – Using EQ8 for quilt design</b>
May 9		<b>Collage Quilting with Ginger Scott at Sew Jersey</b>
May 17		Bee
		Board Meeting
June 12		<b>Guild Meeting – Strawberry Supper</b>
June 21		Bee

# Member News & Upcoming Events

## Bernina Q16+ For Sale

A practically new Bernina Q16 Plus comes with a Bernina sit down table and Bernina fully adjustable red chair, and is equipped with a needle point laser, gripper rings and machine cover. Additional accessories such as pressure feet, 20 Bernina red bobbins and needles are included. This machine is virtually new and is a quilter's dream. It is owned by a lady who does thread painting, but she found it was not ideal for that. Contact Beth at 973-768-4780.



Upcoming Quilt Shows		
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Event</u>
March 30, 31, and April 1 (Thursday-Saturday)	10 am – 5 pm Thursday, 10 am – 7 pm Friday, and 10 am – 4 pm Saturday	Three Rivers Quilters 2023 Quilt Show “Drunkard’s Path” at Hollywood Casino at The Meadows South Garage – Triple Crown Suites 210 Racetrack Road, Washington, PA 15301 <a href="https://threeriversquilters.org/quiltshow.html">https://threeriversquilters.org/quiltshow.html</a>
March 29-April 1 (Wednesday-Saturday)	9 am – 4 pm each day	Lancaster Quilt Show at the Wyndham Host Resort and Convention Center 2300 Lincoln Highway East Lancaster, PA 17602 <a href="https://www.aquiltersdestination.com/lancaster-pa">https://www.aquiltersdestination.com/lancaster-pa</a>

# Board Members

Executive Board (2022-2023) – 1 year appointment		Committee Positions (no term expiration)	
<b>President</b>	Karen Jack	<b>Library</b>	Laura Wagner
<b>Vice President</b>	Jackie Laba	<b>Hospitality</b>	Phyllis Gilbert & Cindy Koziol-White
<b>Treasurer</b>	Sue Adams	<b>Raffle Quilt</b>	Ginger Scott, Jean Stubaus, Sue Adams
<b>Secretary</b>	Molly Adams	<b>Block of the Month</b>	Yolanda Fundora
<b>Programs</b>	Carol Mann & Mary Ledyard	<b>Fabric Raffle</b>	Pam Farago
<b>Trustees</b>		<b>Friendship Quilt</b>	Alix Martin
<b>Membership</b>	Jan Martin & Lori Darnulc	<b>Historian/Show 'n Tell</b>	TBD – Volunteer?
<b>Nominating</b>	Jann Slapin	<b>Drop &amp; Shop</b>	Paul Raimondo & Sue Schmerler
<b>Newsletter</b>	Beth DiDomenico & Cindy Koziol-White	<b>Razzle Dazzle</b>	Sue Schmerler & Paula Raimondo
<b>Sunshine</b>	Jean Stubaus	<b>January Party</b>	Pam Farago
<b>Grants &amp; Scholarship</b>	Wannetta Phillips	<b>Social Media</b>	Cindy Koziol-White
<b>Quilt Show</b>	Christine Courtney; Ginger Scott, Jean Stubaus	<b>Programs Committee</b>	Becky Dieckmann & Juliet McDonnell
<b>Webmaster</b>	Yolanda Fundora	<b>Sunshine Committee</b>	Pat Buikema, Emily Egerter, Mindy Mathisen, Liz Merson