



# September/ October 2023 Newsletter

We have had an extremely Hot Summer. The cool down in August was a welcomed relief. My kind of weather. Hope everyone is enjoying family, friends and traveling was pleasant. The Library of Chatham's Exhibition and Workshops were a great success. I look forward to seeing the projects done by the students exhibited at the GSQ Quilt Show. I wanted to take a moment and give some thoughts on:

What is a Quilt Show?

A Quilt Show is

- An opportunity to be creative
- Learn a new technique
- Find a new gadget
- Fellowship with people who are creative
- Exhibit your work
- View the work of Craftsy people like yourself

These are just a few things that a Quilt show can offer. Quilt shows come in various sizes from the local guild exhibition to the International exhibition. I expect that the Garden State Quilt Show will be a great opportunity for our membership to show the community what we offer and exhibit our creative works. I hope everyone will use this opportunity to submit one of your works. Members are expected to Volunteer to make our Quilt Show a successful event. There is something for everyone to do. Remember to sell your Raffle tickets. Contact: Jean Stubaus when you need more to sell.

The Board, Programs, and all the Committees have planned exciting activities for the Guild year. Keep an eye on the Newsletter and check our Website for all that is happening. If you have not already, renew your membership.

Remember this is your guild. The Board works hard to provide fun and creative ideas for you, the members. Let us know what interests you. Consider joining the Board so you can offer your insight and perspective on what the Guild has to offer.

Looking forward to another Great Year at the Garden State Quilters Guild! See you September 11, 2023.

Piecing and quilting every chance I get,  
Karen

# Chatham Library Quilt Exhibit

The Chatham Library Exhibit and childrens' workshops were a great success! Thank you everyone that submitted a quilt, to the volunteers that helped with setup and take down, the volunteers that assisted for the workshops that were run, and a HUGE thank you to the quilt show committee members that put all of it together! Check out some of the pictures below, as well as our Facebook and Instagram pages.



# October 2023 Quilt Show



**QUILT SUBMISSION** deadline has been extended to Monday, Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Click on “Read More” link on the Home page of the GSQG website to begin the process.

## **QUILT SHOW VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!**

We need the support of ALL members to have a successful show. So far, only 23 of the 100+ members have volunteered.

Please contact Christine Courtney ([ccourtney1717@gmail.com](mailto:ccourtney1717@gmail.com) or #201-841-7036) to sign up for one of the following dates and indicate hours of availability. There will also be signup sheets at the September 11<sup>th</sup> general meeting. Thank you to those members that have already signed up.

Volunteers are needed for the following dates and times:

Wed, Oct 4<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- taping the floors for the pipe & drape placement in the upper level of the facility

Thursday, Oct 5<sup>th</sup> –

- Quilt Check-in 12:00 – 4:30 p.m.
- Taping of gym floor for pipe and drape placement (12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
- Vendor table/chair setup (12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
- Pipe & drape assembly (10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

Friday, Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- Hanging quilts on pipe & drape
- Boutique setup
- Place show publicity signs around facility & neighborhood

Saturday, Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- White Glove (show quilts to guests. Chairs will be provided for volunteers)

Sunday, Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- White Glove (show quilts to guests. Chairs will be provided for volunteers)
- Little Wishes – selling tickets and displaying mini quilts
- Selling Raffle quilt tickets
- Boutique sells
- Vendors assistants (provide breaks for vendors)
- Take Down (begins at 4:30 p.m.)
- Admissions – 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



Reminder: Raffle ticket stubs and payment needs to be submitted at the Sept. 11th General meeting.

If you wish to sell additional tickets, there will be tickets available that night too. All stubs and payment must be given to a quilt show chair prior to Sunday, October 8th. The drawing will take place on the 8th. Thank you to all who have already turned in your tickets and money!

## GSQS Boutique 2023

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

**Little Wishes (mini quilts):** We are halfway to our goal of collecting Little Wishes for the October Quilt Show. This project is a great way to use up small pieces of fabric from your stash. 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. Finished items can be dropped off at the September GSQ general meeting.

**Boutique:** Members are asked to make an item(s) that will be offered for sale at the Boutique Table at our 2023 quilt show. Items such as table runners/toppers, placemats, ornaments, tote bags, pin cushions, orphan blocks, partially finished quilts, embroidered/crocheted/knitted items, stuffed animals, doll clothes, or any project that you do best is appreciated.

Items can be left with either Jann Slapin ([jannsplapin@gmail.com](mailto:jannsplapin@gmail.com)) or Donna Koenig ([dtk514@live.com](mailto:dtk514@live.com)) at our monthly quilt meeting or contact us at your convenience. When donating, please suggest a price. \*This is a fundraising event; all proceeds benefit the guild. Anything not sold will be returned to you.

**Note:** We cannot accept fabric (yardage or fat quarters), second-hand items such as jewelry, scarves, or clothing. Items should be something you have made or have a sewing connection, i.e., sewing baskets, books, lace, buttons, and patterns are acceptable.

**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:** It's time to register for our exciting 2023-2024 year. The Membership link is located on our guild website main page or under the Membership tab. Check in at the Membership table for your new badge. 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 questions, or 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 pages 13 and 14. From 6:45 – 7:15 pm is the time to chat with other members, visit each of our tables (membership, programs, quilt show, library, Sunshine, etc.) and to go to Drop and Shop. **Meetings will start promptly at 7:15 pm.** **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 13 and 14.

**The Friendship Quilt:** This year's Friendship Quilt is falling leaves. You will need scraps of browns, reds, oranges, yellows, purples, and greens. We are looking for textures that approximate a fallen leaf. Fabrics that read as not quite solids, perhaps a little splotchy or with a small design, but no actual pictures. There will be sample blocks and a printout of what the finished quilt will look like at our table in September. Looking forward to seeing you then.

**Drop and Shop:** Drop off at our table your fabric, books, quilting tools and notions that you no longer need. Shop: Bring your own canvas bag and \$5.00. Fill it up with quilt goodies. We are open every meeting except the January birthday party.



**Fabric Raffle:** With the fabric raffle such a success last year, we're continuing it at each membership meeting. We had some incredible fabric bundles that were raffled last year. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

**Hospitality:** Hospitality has gone back to what was done pre-pandemic. Members with last names beginning with A-M, then N-Z, are asked to bring a food item to share for alternating months. Members are asked to bring their own beverage to the meeting. Listed on pages 13 and 14 are the general meeting dates which members are asked to bring something to share according to the first letter of your last name.

**Library:** The GSQG library is open in September, and as always reach out to Laura with any requests or suggestions of books you think the guild ought to own. The listing of books that are currently owned by the guild is in our Member's Only section on the website.

**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 14 and 15). We ask that contributions be sent to Cindy Koziol-White at [cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com](mailto:cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com). The schedule for submission of information is listed below:

Newsletter	Information Submission Date
November-December 2023	October 15, 2023
January-February 2024	December 15, 2023
March-April 2024	February 15, 2024
May-June 2024	April 15, 2024

**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!

<b>Razzle Dazzle Schedule for 2023-2024</b>	
<b>September</b>	<b>Multi-color batiks</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>Black and White</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Ocean, Waters</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>Solid Colors</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>30's – Aunt Gracie</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>Rainbow Bright</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>Tone on Tone</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Geometric</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Red, White, and Blue</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>Batiks</b>

**\*\*\*Attention sewing/quilting business owners\*\*\***

We are putting together a listing of member-owned sewing/quilting businesses. We would like to make this available to all members, as there have been questions to the board and at general meetings with regards to where to take quilts to be longarmed, as well as other quilting-related questions. Please let us know if you own a longarming business, quilt shop, or sewing business and we can put your business on a list that will be available to all members. Please email your business information to Cindy Koziol-White at [cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com](mailto:cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com).



# Programs

For September, there is no speaker or workshop, but instead is our Welcome Back meeting and a Super Show and Tell.

The lecture to the guild on **October 9** from Sue Fox Mitrano (<https://www.bluefoxstudio.net/about>). She will be speaking about the **Magic of Shibori Dyeing**. Shibori is a Japanese manual hand-dyeing technique. Variations in temperature, dye intensity, and fabrics used also create subtle changes in outcome.



For November, the guild has invited Barbara Vedder. Her lecture on **November 13** will be **Sensational Solid Quilts**. Her presentation will explore the origins of solid quilt design and what might have inspired them. She will guide us on a visual journey of color exploration and appreciation. She will share sensational quilts made with solid fabrics from early quiltmaking in America through the modern quilt movement of today.

Her workshop on **November 14** will be **Small Solid Study** at **Grace Episcopal Church from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM**. This new Modern workshop is a great introduction into making quilts with solids. Students will supply inspiration photos, use a quilt block or work in the abstract. She will guide students on how to use color and composition to make a small quilt or the start of a larger project.





On December 11<sup>th</sup>, the guild will be doing its annual Charity Sit and Sew. Sunshine will be hosting, and members will be helping to assemble and sew items that the guild will be donating during the holiday season.



On January 10, 2024, the guild will hold its annual January Party and a celebration of the new year!

All lectures and workshop dates are listed in the events calendar on pages 13 and 14. Please see/contact Carol Mann ([cmannconso@yahoo.com](mailto:cmannconso@yahoo.com)) or Mary Ledyard ([Mledyard@gmail.com](mailto:Mledyard@gmail.com)) with any questions, need further information, or would like to suggest lecturers, workshops, etc for later this year or next year. We would love member input!

# Sunshine

The Sunshine committee along with all of you who volunteered to work on our charity projects created and donated 257 quilts and almost 100 comfort pillows over the last quilt year. Thank you to all those who made this possible!!!

As a new guild year begins, the Sunshine committee invites you to participate in making the 2023-2024 year equally successful. How you ask? At each monthly meeting, the committee provides precut kits to be pieced, quilt layers to be quilted, and quilts to be bound. Take a kit home and work at your leisure. Bring back your finished work at a later meeting. Come visit the Sunshine table before the start of the business meeting a pick a project of your choice.

Sunshine also has a monthly Bee at the Library of the Chathams. Bring your sewing machine to work on a kit or just bring yourself and join the hand sewers who stuff and sew the comfort pillows. We meet once a month from 1-4 PM on the third Wednesday of the month. Dates are shown below for the rest of 2023 and listed in the newsletter on pages 13 and 14:

- September 20, 2023
- October 18, 2023
- November 15, 2023
- December 11 – Charity Sit & Sew at Guild Meeting

Any questions, please feel free to send an email to [jstubaus@optonline.net](mailto:jstubaus@optonline.net) or call me at 973-476-8561. Looking forward to seeing you soon!



# Block of the Month

Hello everyone!

I am excited to be chairing Block of the Month + Fabric Raffle for the Guild for the coming year. One table, two fun things to participate in! I hope that you will consider participating in both, but especially BOM. I am always excited for our Show & Tell to see your amazing quilts, and I hope you will bring that same fabulous creativity to BOM. As this is my second year returning to the guild after a 20 year hiatus, I hope to get to know more of our members (and remember names, OMG!!). Please stop by the FR/BOM table to say Hello!

-Marisa Austenberg

Below are the September and October 2023 blocks of the month that are available for download at: <https://www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/block-of-the-month>

Any archived BOMs will require members to log into the website with the password found on the back of their nametag.

September 2023 - Twister



October 2023 -  
Modern Log Cabin



# Calendar of Events

## 2023/2024 Guild Year

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Event</u>
August 28	Board Meeting
September 4	<b>Deadline for entry submission for the “All Cut Up” quilt show in October</b>
September 11	<b>Guild Meeting – Welcome Back/Super Show and Tell Hospitality: Last Names A-M</b>
September 20	Bee
September 25	Board Meeting – Women’s Club Room
October 7-8	<b>“All Cut Up” – GSQG quilt show</b>
October 9	<b>Guild Meeting – The Magic of Shibori Dyeing with Sue Fox Mitrano Hospitality: Last names N-Z</b>
October 15	Newsletter deadline for Nov/Dec issue
October 18	Bee
October 30	Board Meeting – Lundt Room
November 13	<b>Guild Meeting – Sensational Solid Quilts with Barbara Vedder Hospitality: Last names A-M</b>
November 14	<b>Barbara Vedder – Solid Small Study Workshop at Grace Episcopal</b>
November 15	Bee
November 27	Board Meeting
December 11	<b>Guild Meeting – Charity Sit &amp; Sew Hospitality: Last names N-Z</b>
December 15	Newsletter deadline for Jan/Feb issue
December 18	Board Meeting
January 8	<b>Guild Meeting – January Anniversary Party!! Hospitality: Last names A-M</b>
January 29	Board Meeting
February 12	<b>Guild Meeting Hospitality: Last names N-Z</b>
February 15	Newsletter deadline for March/April issue
February 26	Board Meeting
March 11	<b>Guild Meeting – Diamonds are a quilter’s best friend with Krista Moser Hospitality: Last names A-M</b>
March 16	<b>Krista Moser – The entagled sky workshop over zoom (Saturday)</b>

# Calendar of Events (continued)

## 2023/2024 Guild Year

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Event</u>
March 25	Board Meeting
April 8	<b>Guild Meeting – Josie’s Colourful Journey with Josie Dakars-Braithwaite</b> <b>Hospitality: Last Names N-Z</b>
April 9	<b>Learning felting with Josie Dakars-Braithwaite at Sew Jersey</b>
April 15	Newsletter deadline for May/June issue
May 13	<b>Guild Meeting – lecture TBA</b> <b>Hospitality: Last Names A-M</b>
June 3	Board Meeting – Lundt Room
June 10	<b>Guild Meeting – Strawberry Supper</b> <b>Hospitality: Last names will be assigned to appetizers/main course/desserts as we get closer to the event for potluck supper</b>

## Member News & Upcoming Events

**10/1 -11/30, 2023**  
**The Gallery**  
*at the Summit*  
**Free Public Library**

**STATION STOPS ON**  
**THE TIME MACHINE**

*in partnership*  
with the **Visual**  
**Art Center of**  
**New Jersey**

*a selection of Digital Explorations by Yolanda V. Fundora*

# Member News & Upcoming Events (continued)

Upcoming Quilt Shows/Events		
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Event</u>
September 14-17	Thursday - Saturday 10 am - 5 pm Sunday 10 am – 4 pm	PA National Quilt Extravaganza Greater Philadelphia Expo Center at Oaks 100 Station Avenue, Oaks, PA 19456 <a href="https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/">https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/</a>
October 7 & 8	Saturday 10 am – 5 pm Sunday 10 am – 4 pm	All Cut Up - GSQG quilt show Chatham Township Municipal Building 58 Meyersville Road, Chatham, NJ 07928 <a href="https://www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/all-cut-up-quilt-show-2023">https://www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/all-cut-up-quilt-show-2023</a>
November 4 & 5	Saturday & Sunday 10 am – 4 pm	Harvest of Quilts Evening Star Quilters Belvidere High School 809 Oxford St, Belvidere, NJ 07823 <a href="https://www.esqg.com/">https://www.esqg.com/</a>

# Board Members

Executive Board (2023-2024) – 1 year appointment		Committee Positions (no term expiration)	
<b>President</b>	Karen Jack	<b>Library</b>	Laura Wagner
<b>Vice President</b>	Christine Courtney	<b>Hospitality</b>	TBD – Volunteer?
<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>	Marisa Austenberg
<b>Programs</b>	Carol Mann & Mary Ledyard	<b>Fabric Raffle</b>	Marisa Austenberg
<b>Trustees</b>		<b>Friendship Quilt</b>	Alix Martin Ria Wolff
<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>	Paula Raimondo & Sue Schmerler
<b>Newsletter</b>	Cindy Koziol-White	<b>Razzle Dazzle</b>	Sue Schmerler & Paula Raimondo
<b>Sunshine</b>	Jean Stubaus	<b>January Party</b>	Beth DiDomenico
<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 Caitlyn Roper	<b>Sunshine Committee</b>	Pat Buikema, Emily Egerter, Mindy Mathisen, Liz Merson