



# On Point!

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## Meetings

The Guild meets the third Tuesday of each month (Sept to June) at 7pm at Kennedy Catholic 54 NY-138, Somers, NY 10589.

## Upcoming

| November |                                   |
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| Wed 4    | Comfort Quilts                    |
| Sat 7    | Landscape SIG; Long Arm SIG       |
| Tue 10   | Board Meeting; Quilt Show Meeting |
| Tue 17   | Guild Meeting: Valerie Poitier    |
| Wed 18   | Workshop: "Stuff"                 |
| Wed 18   | Comfort Quilts                    |
| Fri 20   | Newsletter Submissions due        |
| December |                                   |
| Wed 2    | Comfort Quilts                    |
| Sat 5    | Landscape SIG; Long Arm SIG       |
| Tue 8    | Board Meeting                     |
| Tue 15   | Guild Meeting: Meg Cox            |
| Fri 18   | Newsletter Submissions due        |

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My days in Hilton Head were full of sun and ocean and golf with my daughters. Wonderful time. Thank you to Caryl for filling in for me and thank you Judy for doing such a good job finding the replacements for last minute speaker cancelations. Who would believe two in a row had to cancel?.

Judy and I recently went to an invitational event at the New England Quilt Museum, "Meet The Teachers." This is something a Guild representative may attend, free, as contributing members of NEQM. About 20 teachers gave mini demos and later set up tables for a closer look at their work. Judy was happy to come home with 3 teachers signed up for next year, people we had the chance to hear as well as to see their work.

The next morning we returned to have a look at the Retrospective of 30 years of the elegant work by Caryl Bryer Fallert-Gentry. Every piece had a statement next to it that made one feel as if Caryl was standing next to you talking to you. Caryl was an innovator from the very start. She was the first person to win a **Best Of Show** in Houston with a machine quilted quilt in 1989. The color, beauty and design in her work is pure genius. Need I say, "I loved this exhibit?"

This brings me to another side of the Exhibit. Much of the work in this Retrospective was on loan from the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY. In 2016 the Museum is celebrating its 25th Anniversary. For 6 years they have held a quilt auction of donated quilts as a major fundraiser. Again they are asking for quilt donations for the "Quilts for Quilting" campaign. Any quilt from bed size to miniature, wall quilt, a new creation or an antique. We should support the Museum and this is a wonderful opportunity to get a tax deduction on a quilt you donate to a worthy cause. For more information please go to <http://cdn4.quiltmuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Q4Q2015.pdf>

My last bit of business is to tell you that our new website is nearing completion. As someone who still has a flip phone and no iPad I have been in awe of what Maria Catalano, with Susan Fasnacht's help, has been doing. She carefully guides me to understanding, and I make her aware of keeping things easy for those like me to navigate around the site. There will be a point when the current website will be unavailable for a short period in order to transition to the new website. Maria will send an email to inform you so you don't think something is wrong with your computer or phone when you can't get the website. When it is connected be sure to enjoy our amazing new look. We hope you will use it often.

*Joyce Sullivan, President*  
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## Education

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### November

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| Sat 5  | <b>Landscape SIG</b> will meet at 1pm at the Astoria Bank in Somers. Anyone that wants a little extra beginner training can come at 12:30. <b>Long Arm SIG</b> will meet at Peggy Morgan's house. |
| Tue 15 | <b>Art Quilters SIG</b> and <b>Domestic Machine SIG</b> will not be meeting this month so they can all shop at the Boutique   |

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## Hospitality

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For November, we are asking that members whose last names begin with P, Q, or R, will please bring a snack to share.

Don't forget to bring in non-perishable food

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## Special Events

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Get an early start on your holiday shopping. Select lovely handmade items made by our own guild members. The **Boutique** will be held at 6:00 before the November Guild meeting. Non members are welcome so bring your friends for free.

The **2016 Super Saturday** class listing has been posted on the NSQG website. Go to [northernstarquilters.com/super-saturday-2016](http://northernstarquilters.com/super-saturday-2016)

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## Communications

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### Members on Display

**Congratulations to Renee H Fleuranges-Valdes, Claire Oehler and Nancy Mirman, for their multiple wins at the Quilts Unlimited Show.**

**Nancy Mirman** will be having a one-woman show of her quilt and fiber art at **Etui Gallery**. Opening reception is on Sunday, November 1, from 2-4pm. The Show will run the month of November. Etui Gallery is located at 2106 Boston Post Road, Larchmont, NY

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## Membership

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Our meeting attendance was 116 members and we are welcoming 3 new members this month: Diane M., Jean P., Carolyn C. Our total membership has grown to 201 happy quilters.

Thank you for confirming your information at the meeting. The membership book information is being formatted and printed now and I hope to have it available at the November meeting.

*Christine Wilhelm, Membership*  
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## Programs

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### November - Valerie Poitier

#### Lecture: November 17 - "A Quilter's Journey"

From traditional quilter, technique novice to mastering the craft, our next speaker, Valerie Poitier has documented her journey in a powerful PowerPoint presentation and trunk show that will answer many questions about techniques, fiber arts, art quilts. A body of cohesive work. You will be entertained and empowered to create.

#### Workshop: November 18 - "Stuff"

Do you have lots of things in your stash that you are not using? You were thinking this was a good idea at the time, but what do you do now? Gather those things and your special fabrics and papers, paints, pens and markers. Here is a chance to learn how and why to use them.

### December - Meg Cox

#### Lecture: December 15 - "Quilt Historian"

Meg's two specialties are family traditions and quilting. She has been a passionate quilter for 25 years. Her books and lectures are jam-packed with practical information and inspiration. Her book, **The Quilter's Catalog**, is a must have for all of us.

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## Quilt Show

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As reported last month, our keynote speaker on Saturday and Sunday will be Linda M. Poole ([www.lindampoole.com](http://www.lindampoole.com)). We are also pleased to announce that Judy B. Dales will be displaying her work as our Invitational Quilter. She has just wrapped up a display of her work at the Shelburne Museum and we are excited that her work will be displayed at our Show. Visit her website at [www.JudyDales.com](http://www.JudyDales.com) to see her quilts. Our storage container has been moved to the West Conn campus.

I want to thank everyone who helped with the move. Whether it was packing up the contents at Kennedy in preparation for the move,

## Area Shows & Events

The newly opened, **The Quilt Tree** shop, in Nyack, NY are organizing a trip to the **Michener Museum** in Boylestown, PA on December 2nd. The museum is holding an Exhibit that includes many of Kaffe Fassett's new works as well as works by other well known quilters from the UK. **The Quilt Tree** will be participating in an English Paper Piecing workshop with Liza Lucy Prior. They have arranged for a bus to leave from Nyack at 10am and return around 5:30. The cost of the trip is \$70 and that includes the bus and museum admission.

**"Quilts Unlimited"** - October 11-November 15 2015; View Arts Center, 3273 State Route 28, Old Forge, NY;

**"Quilts=Art=Quilts"** - October 31, 2015 - January 3, 2016; Schweinfurth Art Center, 205 Genesee St, Auburn, NY; Exhibit Preview and Awards Reception - Friday, October 30th 2015, 5-8pm; [www.QAQentry.org](http://www.QAQentry.org)

**"Quilting: Fiber Art Fun"** - January 28-30, 2016 - North Country Studio Workshops will offer a 5-day workshop with Carol Ann Waugh. The workshop will be held on the campus at Bennington College. For more details on location, cost and registration procedures, please visit North Country's web site, [www.ncsw.org](http://www.ncsw.org)."

**"Kongo: Power and Majesty"** - now through January 1, 2016, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City; <http://www.metmuseum.org>.

**"Jacqueline de Ribes: The Art of Style"** - November 19, 2015-February 21, 2016, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City, <http://www.metmuseum.org>.

**"Chinese Textiles: Ten Centuries of Masterpieces from the Met Collection"** - through June 19, 2016, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City; <http://www.metmuseum.org>.

**"American Quilts and Folk Art"** - through August 7, 2016, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City; <http://www.metmuseum.org>.

**"New Discoveries: Early Liturgical Textiles from Egypt, 200-400"** - The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City; <http://www.metmuseum.org>

helping to set the container up at its new home or just storing items while the move was happening, the people who volunteered with the move made it a smooth transition.

We have confirmed that our new quilt layout at the O'Neill Center will allow us to accept the registration of 200 quilts for the show. Registration will begin on January 15, 2016 and continue to March 31 (or until we meet our limit of 200 quilts).

We have also determined that we will be able to accommodate more of the large quilts than we have in the past. So we have eliminated the eight quilt limit for large quilts.

Remember, the quilts we display are what make our Show so great. We need you, the members, to make a commitment to contribute your quilts to make the Show the best it can be. Everyone's work is important and valued. The creativity, workmanship and diversity of quilt styles in the NSQG Shows are truly amazing. We hope that the display at this year's Show in our new venue will be spectacular.

Don't forget we are looking for small quilts for next year's **Silent Auction**. Traditional or art-quilts, hand or machine quilted, all are offered for sale at the Quilt Show to help raise money for Guild expenses. It's not too early to get started. For more information, contact Carolyn Langevin or Kay Marcarello.

The guidelines for Special Exhibits for SIG's will remain the same as last year and are available on the website. Please review as your SIG or other group moves forward with planning its display for the Show. If you plan to mount a special exhibit, please contact Patti Calautti with your space requirements by January 1, 2016.

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## Charitable Activities

### Winner's Choice Raffle

Comfort Quilts hope you enjoyed the display of "It's a Boy" and thank you for your support. The winners are:



*Carolyn Langevin  
quilt by Carol Auer  
& Karen Carlson*



*Sue McMachan  
quilt by Chris Roche*



*Jocie Connolly quilt  
by Dee Plouffe*

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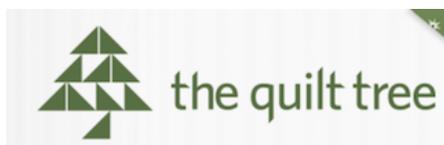
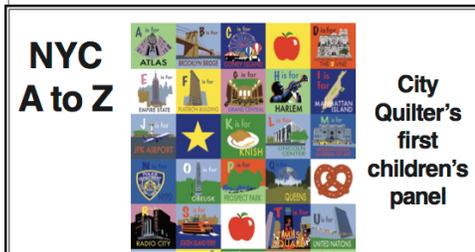


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## Raffle Quilt 2016

The raffle tickets to support our 2016 charity, **Ann's Place**, will be available at the November meeting. You may pick up your tickets at the membership table. **Ann's Place** provides free professional counseling, support groups, wellness activities and educational resources to cancer patients and their families. They will be having their annual fund raising event, Festival of Tree, the weekend of November 19 -22 in Danbury, CT. Thank you to all who volunteered to help sell raffle tickets at the Festival.

## Raffle Quilt 2017

If you took a raffle quilt Blooming Star block distributed by Angela Vertucci in September, remember that they need to be completed and returned at the November meeting

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## Special Events

### The Incredible Cow Challenge

The Guild Challenge Coordinator's Guidelines strongly recommend that the Challenge Award ribbons be made by the Coordinator. I can now confirm that the ribbons are ready and waiting for your name to be printed on the back and you're going to love having your very own Cow Award. Please note that only two months remain for you to create your entry. For any questions, please see the website [northernstarquilters.com/guild-challenge](http://northernstarquilters.com/guild-challenge) or contact Caryl Castellion. Have fun!

### Lancaster Trip

The Guild trip to the 2016 AQS Lancaster Quilt Show will be March 18-19, 2016. We will depart early Friday morning and shop our way to Lancaster, making stops at **Burkholder's Fabrics**, **Weaver's Dry Goods**, and Intercourse, PA where there are a number of stores - fabric and otherwise - to visit.

From Intercourse, we will stop for dinner at **Miller's Smorgasbord** before turning in for the night at the **Fairfield Inn in Lancaster**. The hotel will provide us with a continental breakfast to prepare us for a day at the Quilt Show. Spend the day viewing the beautiful quilts, shopping at the vendors, and exploring downtown Lancaster. We will leave Lancaster by 4 PM to head home.

The cost for the trip this year is \$170 per person based on double occupancy at the hotel. Signups will begin at the November meeting, so bring your checkbook to reserve your seat on the bus. We will also have more detailed itineraries available at the meeting.

The Lancaster trip is always a lot of fun and a great way to celebrate the end of the winter. Don't delay - sign up today!

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