

NSQGG Newsletter - June 2015

June 2015		July 2015	
Wed 3	Comfort Quilts	Wed 1	Comfort Quilts
Sat 6	Long Arm SIG	Wed 8	Comfort Quilts
Tue 9	Board Meeting	Sat 11	C Landscape SIG; Long Arm SIG
Wed 10	Comfort Quilts	Wed 15	Comfort Quilts
Tue 16	Guild Meeting: Salad Supper	Wed 22	Comfort Quilts
Wed 17	Comfort Quilts	Wed 29	Comfort Quilts
Sat 20	Landscape SIG	Fri 31	Special Edition articles due
Wed 24	Comfort Quilts		
		August 2015	
		Sat 1	Landscape SIG; Long Arm SIG

President's Message

Can it be true? Summer is here, the beautiful World of Quilts XXXVI Show is over; the Guild is about to close out this fiscal year; and the monthly activities will formally cease in favor of leisure time for the next two and a half months (maybe not, depending on each SIG).

Will the fingers be idle? No way! As we have heard, there is the Ronald McDonald (Westchester Medical Center's residence for families of their patients) request for five more full size quilts (follow the **OnPoint** article for the pattern of the month); there are Comfort Quilts kits ready to take home for summer play; and there is a new Guild Challenge being announced in the June Guild meeting!! Join in the fun wherever you are spending the summer months.

It seems impossible that this is my last message to the Membership as President of Northern Star Quilters' Guild! It has been a busy, wonderful two-year term of office and I thank everyone for their positive response to the work of their Board. Your energy and creativity are the drivers of the Guild and we are a healthy body of quilt makers because of you! Thank you!

Caryl Castellion, President
President@Northernstarquilters.com

Programs

Lecture: September 15, 2015 - Susan K. Cleveland "My Eclectic Quilt Pageant"

Join one of the world's most enthusiastic personalities for ooo's, aaaah's, and laughter to learn a plethora of tips to increase accuracy and add fresh, interesting details with piping, prairie points, heavy threads, and embellishments. See how to take show pieces to new levels and add charming surprises to simple pieces. Susan will share real live quilts with close ups through the projector so you're sure to see oodles of detail. You may recognize many quilts as winners in AQS Paducah shows and International Quilt Festivals in Houston! Don't miss out on this good time Quilt Pageant.



Lecture: October 20, 2015 – Marge Tucker "How I Got There From Here"

In this lecture, I tell my quilting journey, from the first quilt I remember seeing to becoming a quilt instructor/fiber artist. I also discuss my inspirations for quilt designs and how quilting has changed my life.

JoAnne Finnigan, VP Programs
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Quilt Show

I want to thank everyone who contributed to making "A World of Quilts XXXVI" so successful. The quilts were beautiful, displaying a great diversity of styles. Volunteer positions were filled and many of you volunteered for more than was asked for. The Show Committee and Board members worked hard and were very supportive. It was wonderful to watch the whole guild come together to help make our last show at Kennedy Catholic High School so memorable.

Get Ready for "A World of Quilts XXXVII"

Planning has started for next year's show on April 30 and May 1, 2016. Our move to the O'Neill Center on the campus of West Conn is going to result in some changes. Over the summer I will be working with a number of people to get some of the initial work done. This includes items such as identifying how Quilt Show Committee tasks will change, preparing an initial layout of the quilt display and vendor spaces, identifying any financial or legal concerns with moving the show to another state,.

My hope is to work through the major planning aspects of the move over the summer and the get the committees up and running in September. Publicity will be stepped up so that we can get the word out about the move and expand the area where we advertise. If you are interested in helping with next year's show,

whether it is in working to establish the new duties for committees that will be changing (publicity, signage, volunteers, etc.) or performing tasks set up from past shows for ones that are remaining the same (registration, quilt hanging, judging, silent auction, etc.), please contact me. It's going to be an exciting year with lots of planning. You can get involved and help lay the groundwork for holding the quilt show at our new home.

Susan Fasnacht, VP Quilt Show
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Education

News from our Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

The meeting dates are provided below, as well as on the "Special Interest Group" page on our website.

Art Quilters – Christine Wilhelm

The Art Quilt SIG will take a break for the summer. The next meeting will be before the September guild meeting at 5:45 p.m. New Members always welcome.

Landscape Quilters – Don Gough

The Landscape SIG meetings for the next 5 months are: Saturdays May 9th, June 20th, July 11th, August 1st, Sept. 12th and Oct. 3rd. All meetings are from 1pm to 3pm at the Astoria bank in Somers on the Second floor.

Long Arm Group – Diane Linker

The next meeting will be on June 6th at Barb Tatera's house. We will continue to meet during the summer on July 11th and August 1st.

Domestic Machine Quilting – Helen Boland

The Domestic Machine Quilting SIG will take a break for the summer. The next meeting will be before the September Guild meeting at 5:45 in the back of the cafeteria. April Russell will choose a topic for the meeting. Please bring any machine quilting you have done over the summer to share with the group.

Jennifer Kramer, VP Education
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Library

Special thanks to my friends who helped me all year at the Library table, Joan Doggett, Dee Rizzo and Micki Tedeschi. Your help was greatly appreciated.

June, being the last Guild meeting of the year, means all books and magazines must be returned. If you are unable to attend, please mail them to my home.

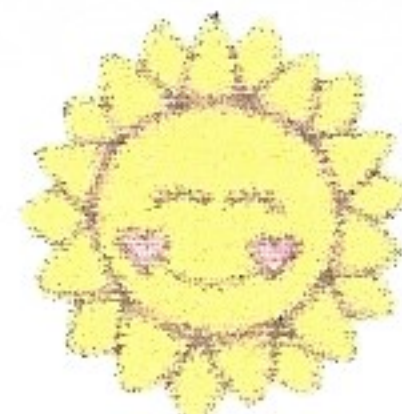
The Library is also having the end of the year Book Sale. Plenty of new books and magazines, all at rock bottom prices! Books and patterns 50 cents, magazines 10 cents. Come early for the best selections.

See you at the Salad Supper.

Dee Plouffé, Library Chair
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Sunshine

Since Goodwill is part of our fellowship,
Let's make sure we share it amongst ourselves.
Please let me know when a Guild Member
Is in need of a little Sunshine!



Whether it is an illness, condolence, marriage,
Baby or just a little pick-me-up for TLC,
Make sure to let me know.
Thank you, Melanie

Melanie Darensod, Secretary
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Hospitality

It's once again time for our Annual Salad Supper. What a wonderful way to end the year!

We ask each member to bring a salad which will serve 6-8 people. Please bring a serving spoon and a card with the list of ingredients. The Guild will provide beverages and dessert.

Please plan to arrive with your dish at 6 pm, to provide us ample time for setup. The meeting and dinner will begin at 6:30 pm.

A special thank you to everyone that has helped with hospitality throughout the year, especially Joan Citron, Sonhild Rodney, and Lynn Kaufteil. It was a pleasure working with you all.

Nancy Cianflone, Hospitality
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Membership

Membership renewal has begun! The membership form is found on the [webpage by clicking this link](#).

The guild has an exciting year already planned with great speakers, workshops and, of course, our new Quilt Show venue. By joining prior to the September meeting, you will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win one of a few gift certificates to our local quilt shops.

I would also like to thank all of the members who have supported me in my many roles on the board over the past six years. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving and treasure the friendships I have made.

Patti Calautti, VP Membership
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Charitable Activities

Charity for 2016 Quilt Show

At our May Guild Meeting, the members voted **Ann's Place** as the charity that will receive the proceeds from the 2016 Quilt Show Raffle Quilt, **Shot Thru-and-Thru**. Ann's Place is a cancer support service that attends to the many personal and psychological implications of cancer for patients and their families.

2015 Quilt Show Charity

Community Cares thanks all the members who so generously supported their organization by returning their raffle money and to those who sold extra tickets. They are looking forward to helping families manage their normal daily routines while they are working on getting healthy again. They will be able to offer free household cleaning services, laundry wash-and-fold services and family meals to those fighting Cancer.

2017 Quilt Coordinator

We are pleased to announce **Angela Vertucci** as our 2017 Quilt Coordinator.

Comfort Quilts



We hope you enjoyed the Comfort Quilt display at the NSQG Quilt Show and feel proud of the work that is done and the folks who are served. Many Guild Members contribute to Comfort Quilts by sewing at CQ meetings, making kits, doing long-arm quilting, and donating fabrics.

Comfort Quilts Meetings

From June 3rd through August, CQ will be following its **Summer Schedule** of meeting every Wednesday at Bnai Yisrael Temple located at 2 Banksville Road, Armonk, NY. Come and join the fun, ***stay tuned for the Summer Project***, but always verify the date with Carol Auer or Karen Carlson because dates are subject to change.

Quilt Raffle Prizes

We are currently looking for possible donations for our 2016 Raffle prizes, especially electronics. If you can help, please contact Althea Nolan.

ConKerr Cancer



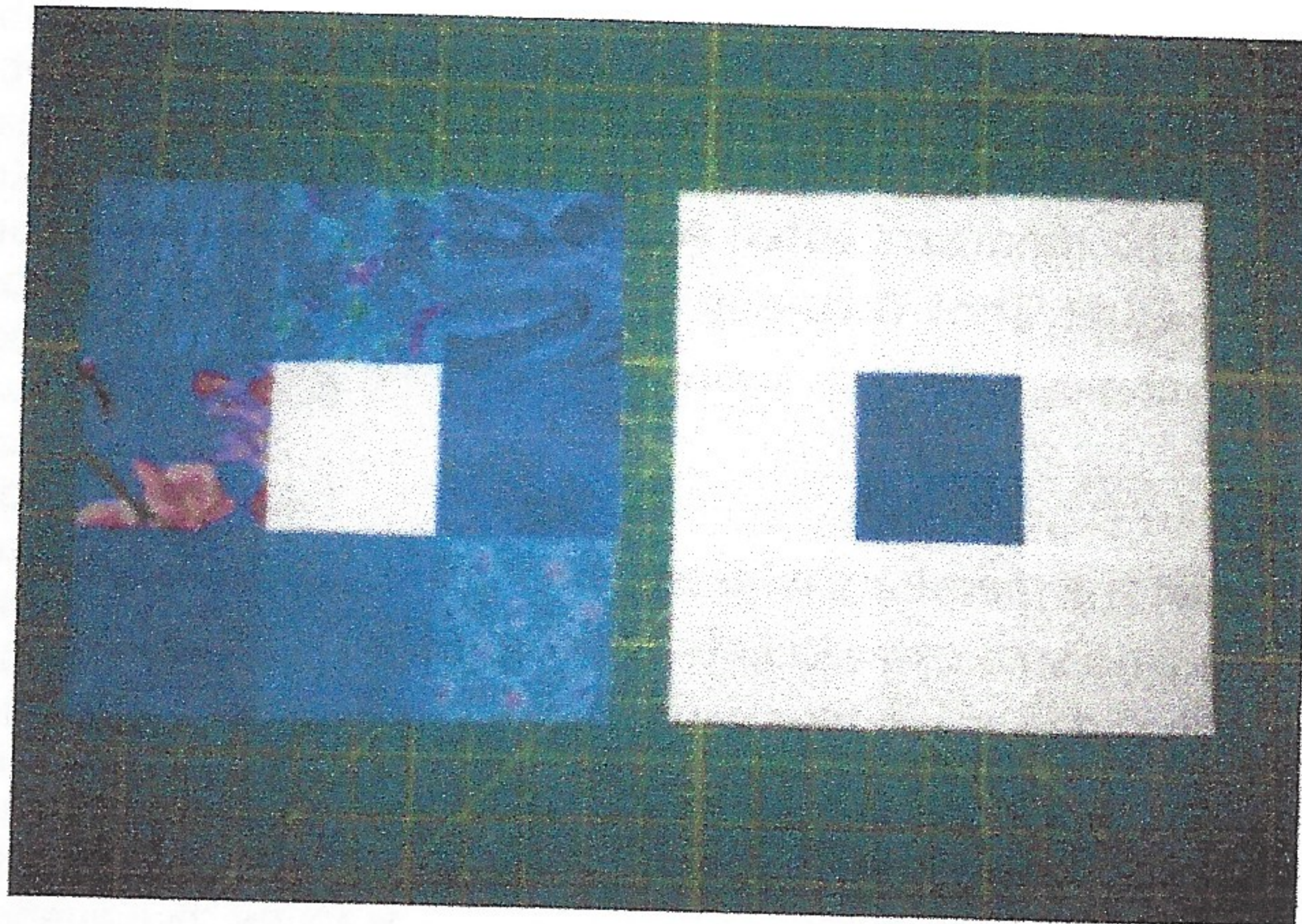
Collection of pillowcases for the Westchester County Chapter of ConKerr Cancer is suspended because they have more pillowcases than they can distribute. This spring we donated 155 more pillowcases, making a total of 394 pillowcases contributed this year.

Ronald McDonald Block of the Month - June

The Ronald McDonald house has again asked to partner with Northern Star Quilter's guild. They would like at least another 5 full size quilts (80x90) to use in their guest rooms.

We are asking you to bring two blocks (**A** and **B**) to the June meeting to help with the first quilt. The June blocks of the month are nine patch blocks in the colors blue and white. For block **A** cut 8, 3 ½ inch squares in blue prints and 1, 3 ½ inch square in white fabric. Sew the blue prints around the one white middle block. For block **B** cut 8, 3 ½ inch squares in white and 1, 3 ½ inch square in blue. Sew the white squares around the blue center square. The blocks should measure 9 ½ inches unfinished.

It isn't a typical nine patch layout so please refer to the photo when piecing your blocks. Press the seams into the blue center and away from the white center. [Click here for printable instructions.](#)



In addition to the blocks you can also help the cause by donating a full size batting of at least 84x96 or a backing of approximately 88x98. Please check the newsletter and/or the Charitable Activities webpages to find out what the future blocks of the month will be.

We are looking forward to providing some beautiful quilts and appreciate all of the help that we know the guild will provide. If you have questions please contact **Barb Tatera or Pat Baker.**

Althea Nolan, Charitable Activities
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Communications

Call for Quilts!

The **New England Air Museum Quilt Show** will be from Sept 21st thru Sept 27th. The Air Museum is located on the grounds of Bradley Airport. All the info about it is on the NEAM website. If you go to NEAM.org and then scroll down the upcoming events to Sept 21st quilt show they have a description of the show and entry forms. The entry forms are very simple and do not require a photo. **The forms must be mailed to Jackie Kunkel, Canton Village Quilt Works, 79 High Valley Drive, Canton, CT 06019 by July 24th.**

The quilt show is not aviation related. It is like our NSQG show. **Don Gough will be making a trip to Jackie Kunkel's to deliver the quilts about two weeks before the show and he will be going to see the show on the last Sunday and pick up the quilts. If anyone wants to enter some quilts, he can take a limited number with him for delivery and pick up.** It is not a judged show but there is a "Viewers' Choice" award. Although the show is a week long, the food vendors and show vendors will only be there Friday thru Sunday. The admission fee covers the quilt show and air museum as the quilts and vendors are mixed in with the airplanes. Make sure when you go to the web site that you use NEAM.org not .com.

Helen's note: I went to see this show last year – great show! I perused the quilts while my husband enjoyed the air museum – something for everyone! The food vendor was great, too.

Norma Schlager will have a solo show at the Brookfield Craft Center in Brookfield, CT. The show will open on June 27th and run through July 18th. There will be an opening reception on June 27th from 5 to 8 PM. The hours of the gallery are Friday: 11-2; Saturday: 11-5 and Sunday: 12-4. Monday thru Thursday hours are by appointment only. Please call 203 775-4526.

Sonhild Rodney invites you to a **QUILT DISPLAY IN THE YARD**, at 267 Loveland Rd, Stamford, CT (approx 1 mile North of Lord and Taylor). It will take place on Wednesday June 9th from 9am - 4pm, (no rain date). If in doubt, call Sonhild or email her at schaanfl@hotmail.com. There will be about 25 quilts displayed in the yard.

If you will be on vacation this summer, check out the Area Shows and Events section of this newsletter. There are several quilt shows to attend this year.

We would love to feature your current work on exhibit at a gallery or show or your latest accomplishment. Our newsletter is a great way to share your accomplishments. Please send any photos and information to news@northernstarquilters.com.

Helen Boland, VP Communications
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Area Shows & Events

Many Thanks to Nancy Hantman for Researching and Compiling this List!

“Judy B. Dales: *Ahead of the Curve*”, May 1 – Oct 31, 2015; Opening reception Wed. June 24th 2-4 pm ; Shelburne Museum, 6000 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482; 802-985-3346;
<http://www.shelburnemuseum.org>

“Genesee Valley Quilt Fest”, June 5 – 7, 2015; Gordon Field House, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY. Over 600 quilts on display. <http://www.geneseevalleyquiltfest.com/>

“Vermont Quilt Festival”; June 26 – 28; Champlain Valley Expo, 105 Pearl St, Essex Junction, VT. For classes and more information on the show: www.vqf.org or www.Facebook.com/VQF1977

“36th Annual Chickadees Quilt Show”, Sat – Sun July 11th and 12th; 10am – 4 pm; Stevens Brook Elementary School, Rte 302, 4 Frances Bell Drive, Bridgton ME 04009. \$5 donation, Free parking, Handicapped accessible, 100s of quilts on display, raffles, Chinese auction, vendors, yard sale items, free demonstrations and café.
chickadeequilters@gmail.com

“Maine Quilts”; July 24-26, 2015 Friday & Saturday 9-5, Sunday 10-4; Augusta Civic Center, Augusta, Maine. 600+ Quilts – antique to contemporary; Special Exhibits: AQSG 2012 Study of Colonial Revival Quilts; 2014 Hoffman Challenge – Indigo Collection; Selections from Maine State Museum; Workshops with 8 national teachers, Merchants Mall, Demonstrations, Lectures, Friday night event. Daily admission \$10; multi-day \$15; groups \$8 with advance registration. www.mainequilts.org, info@mainequilts.org

"Let Freedom Ring – 34th Annual Quilt Show"; Bayberry Quilters; July 30, 31, Aug 1; Thursday & Friday 9:30-4, Saturday 9:30 – 3; Admission - \$7, multi-day, \$11; Cape Cod Regional Technical High School, Rt 124, Harwich, MA; Over 300 quilts, raffle and more. www.bayberryquiltersofcapecod.com

"Piecemakers of Cairo Quilt Show", sponsored by the Piecemakers Guild; Cairo Public Library, 15 Railroad Ave., Cairo, NY 12413; Saturday, August 8, 2015; 10 am to 4 pm. For more information call Debra at 518-622-2270.

"Silver City Quilt Show", September 19 & 20, 2015 10am – 4pm; Silver City Quilt Guild; September 19 & 20, 2015 10am – 4pm; Friedman Middle School, 500 Norton Ave, Taunton, MA 02780; http://www.silvercityquiltguild.org/quilt_show

"22nd Annual Bennington Quiltfest"; September 19 - 20, 2015 Sat:9-5, Sun:9-4; Mount Anthony Union Middle School; 747 East Road, Bennington, Vermont; <http://www.benningtonquiltfest.com/>

"Flights and Fantasies Quilt Show", September 21-27th, 2015; New England Air Museum, 36 Perimeter Rd., Bradley Int'l Airport, Windsor Locks, CT 06096; <http://www.NEAM.org>

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