



# Quilting Lines

Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild

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## *President's Message*

As spring approaches CAQG is preparing for two big events- our Quilt Show in April, and Spring Fest in May. On these occasions, both of which will be the result of much planning and work by numerous guild members, we will gather to celebrate our love of quilting. I am happy to note that even after the challenges of the past two years CAQG seems to be going as strong as ever, with no shortage of volunteers who are willing to do whatever needs to be done. Although I think we all sometimes long for the “before time” I also think the pandemic has served to make us more appreciative of what we have.

For many of us our sewing hobby was what kept us relatively sane in 2020 & 2021. How many times have you heard someone describe a beautiful quilt as her “pandemic project?” The quilt show will be our opportunity to share these accomplishments with each other and with the community. Linda Boone, the 2022 Quilt Show Chair, is thrilled with the number of quilt entries that have been received. There will also be vendors, demos, and even a scavenger hunt for kids. In addition we will, at long last, be raffling off our wonderful “American Quilt Tour.” This gorgeous quilt was designed by my sister, Ellen MacAvoy, pieced and appliquéd by 50 of our members, and quilted by Mona Houle. Ginger Mirenda did the binding. I am perhaps not unbiased, but I think AQT is one of the best raffle quilts we have even made!

Then on May 14th the Crozet Quilters chapter will host Spring Fest 2022. CAQG gets together as a guild just twice a year, and I know many of us look forward to these gatherings. Spring or Fall Fest is a chance to reconnect with friends from other chapters and to find out what’s happening in the guild. In addition, there is always an interesting program. I’m excited that this year the speaker will be Alicia Thomas, new executive director of the Virginia Quilt Museum. So put it on your calendar and plan your schedule around it! There is more information later in this newsletter, and on the CAQG website.

And speaking of websites- ours is fantastic. Thanks to Jean Lightener-Norum, it is informative and up to date, with lots of beautiful photos. If you have a question about CAQG or any of our activities, there is a good chance you can find the answer on our website. Simply go to [caqq.weebly.com](http://caqq.weebly.com) or search for Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild.

Thank you to everyone who continues to make this guild a success. I look forward to seeing you at the Quilt Show and Spring Fest

**Maira MacAvoy**  
**CAQG President**



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## *Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild (CAQG)*

The CAQG is an umbrella group serving quilters in the area surrounding Charlottesville, Virginia. CAQG meets four times yearly on the first Sunday of March, June, October and December. We sponsor a biennial quilt show and a yearly workshop plus special events throughout the year. The four chapters of CAQG meet as given below. There are currently 158 members and membership is open to all. If you have questions about membership in CAQG or would like to join the guild contact membership chair Kirsten Niemann, [kniemann@mac.com](mailto:kniemann@mac.com) or complete the membership form found on the new CAQG web site, <http://cagg.weebly.com>, and mail it to the address given on the form.

## *Chapter Meetings*

### **Crozet Quilters**

2nd & 4th Monday 10-12

Tabor Presbyterian Church

5804 Tabor Street, Crozet.

### **Moonlighters**

2nd & 4th Wednesday 7:00-8:30

Zoom, on-line till further notice

### **Tuesday Morning Quilters**

Every Tuesday 10-12

Aldersgate Methodist Church

### **Nelson Quilters**

1st & 3rd Monday 7-9pm

Calvary Baptist Church, Lovingson, VA



## *Chapter News*

**Crozet Quilters – Adrienne Granitz** – The Crozet Chapter continues to work on activities for the Quilt Show and for Spring Fest that will follow. Our raffle basket goodies are ready, raffle tickets have been sold, items for the Shoppes are being gathered, and folks are signing up to volunteer during the show. Plans for Spring Fest are being finalized and the agenda is set for May 14<sup>th</sup>.

While all of this is going on we continue to plan our other activities for the year. A committee of 5 created a “Teachable Moment” survey as a way of learning what our members want to know and learn. We then will create a schedule for these activities during our twice monthly meetings. We will host a “Pillowcase Challenge” on June 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 3 to make pillowcases for Shelter for Help in Emergency. A Spring Luncheon is planned for June 13<sup>th</sup>. A chapter challenge to create a block of one’s choosing using an unfortunate yellow fabric that looked better online than it did in person will be completed by July 25<sup>th</sup> with the blocks becoming a Hospice Quilt in the Fall. We welcomed several new members this year and to learn something about them and their quilt journey we will reintroduce our “Meet the Quilter” moment. Our 2022 Quilt of Honor was delivered to Lawrence Baxter on February 28<sup>th</sup>. We continue to make Bright Star, Hospice, and Meals on Wheels quilts.

**Moonlighters – Melinda Smith** – Moonlighters continue to meet via Zoom twice a month (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays). We are excited to start meeting in person in March at the Northside Library. Thank you to Linda Boone for securing this for us. The library may only be available the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday so we may be meeting at a local restaurant on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday or possibly switching to meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays. The library is a temporary meeting place as we search for a permanent home. We had a fun Christmas party on December 15. Thank you to Janet Saulsbury for hosting us at her home.

We are working on collecting items for our DIY Themed Raffle Basket for the Spring 2022 Quilt Show. Our members are also working diligently on many Bright Stars quilts for this year.

**Nelson Quilters – Debbie Speilman** – The Nelson Quilters were glad to resume their tradition of having an annual Christmas celebration this past December 6<sup>th</sup>. The group enjoyed a delicious potluck and a dirty santa gift exchange. The January weather kept the group from meeting during the entire month. Meeting resumed in February. During the February meetings plans were discussed for a bear themed quilt to be raffled for the benefit of the Piney River Fire Department. In addition, Paula Davis presented techniques for a quilt as you go pineapple table topper.

**Tuesday Morning – Corinne Conlon** – The accepted mission statement for our chapter states: Tuesday Morning is a chapter of the Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild, which is a recreational, educational club. In addition to supporting the goals of CAQG, our mission is to provide our members with opportunities to:

- Make friends with whom we can share our love of quilting
- Learn from each other and expand our knowledge of the quilting arts
- Serve the community by making quilts for organizations selected by our group

The budget committee reviewed our past years’ and projected budget. It was determined that the Tuesday Morning fee of \$20 per person, in addition to the base membership, is appropriate. The committee will re-assess in the Fall to determine if there are excess funds, and the chapter will decide how to use that money.

Chandra Cookson is coordinating monthly presentations by volunteer members to share knowledge of quilting techniques. The first one was by Margaret Tomasik on Foundation Paper Piecing held on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

It has been wonderful to see more and more members return to our meetings! 20+ members attended the most recent meeting.



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*Spring Fest 2022*  
*Hosted by Crozet Quilters*

**Save the date: Saturday, May 14, 2022**

Spring Fest will be an in-person event on **Saturday, May 14, 2022** at United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall (1156 Crozet Ave, Crozet, VA 22932). Church is across from Tabor Presbyterian where Crozet usually meets.

**Entry Table:** Pick up Hostess Gift & Drop of Raffle Items (Fat Quarter(s) florals or solids in Spring colors).

**Scissor sharpening** will be available. Please read below for details.

**Schedule**

**9:30 -10:** Continental Breakfast (Bake Goods, Coffee, Tea, Water)

**10-11:30:** Guest Speaker: Alicia Thomas, Executive Director, Virginia Quilt Museum will present "The Who, What, Why and How of Museum Collecting"

Summary: Have you ever wondered how a museum decides what to accept into collections? Alicia Thomas, Executive Director of the Virginia Quilt Museum will discuss how VQM makes these decisions. She will discuss the difference between the education and the permanent collection, what you should know if you're considering donating a quilt or any object to a museum, and why museums can't just take everything. Alicia will bring a small sample of quilts from the VQM education collection for Guild members to admire and examine.

**11:30-12:** CAQG Business Meeting

**12-1:** Bring your bagged Lunch (Coffee, Tea, Water will be provided)

**1-1:30:** Raffle - Fat Quarters of Spring Florals or Solids. Enter as many fat quarters as you like. If numbers and time permits bundles will be created for multiple winners.

**1:30:** Show and Tell.

**Scissor sharpening:** Available on site at Spring Fest by Jeremy Liskey of SharpRite.

Any size scissors for \$10 each. **You must preregister** by May 1, 2022 with Kathy Micucci by email [kmic1288@gmail.com](mailto:kmic1288@gmail.com) or phone (number in membership list).

Please wrap your scissors in a bath cloth or fabric and place in a ziploc bag with your name on it. Cash, check or Venmo accepted.

**Crozet Quilters**



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## *Bright Star Quilts*

This is the time of year that the gathering of the quilts is most important. There is no actual deadline, but it is good to have all the requirements for the schools completed by June. The quilts are delivered to the schools between June and August. The Guild has committed the same number of quilts for the coming school year, 234. There are eight schools, one in the city and seven in the county. As of March 1<sup>st</sup>, the requirements for four of the schools have been filled. But we still need about 100 quilts. It sounds like a lot of quilts, but I am confident these adorable quilts will continue to be made until every school has what it needs. Spring Fest is a great time to turn Bright Stars quilts in. It is so much fun to see all the various ways these quilts are designed. Remember, if you don't have a book, it is fine as there is a great selection of books that you all have donated.

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, I will step down from being the coordinator of this program. It has been a great deal of fun to see this program grow over the years. It is time for someone else to take the reins. If you are interested, please contact me at [khorridge@comcast.net](mailto:khorridge@comcast.net) Thank you for all your support.

**Karen Horridge**  
**Community Quilts**

## *Meals on Wheels*

### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

Thanks to all of you who have made and donated quilts to MOW this quarter (17 for December-February)!

These special handmade gifts are so appreciated and such a surprise. New Meals on Wheels clients are given a quilt on a special occasion, often on their birthday. Susan Morville at MOW said that one client told her she shed ("happy") tears when she was given her quilt.

MOW quilt specifications can be found on our website (<http://cagg.weebly.com>). The recommended size is about 30 x 30 up to 40 x 50. If you have a quilt to donate either bring it to me at the weekly Tuesday AM meeting (10-12, Aldersgate Methodist Church on Rio Rd) or contact me and we will arrange a convenient pick-up spot.

We have set a goal of 50 donated quilts for MOW for 2022. Every person who donates may enter their name for a drawing (to be held at Tuesday AM's Christmas party) and the winner will receive a very fun prize.

Thank you!

**Ginny Tunis**  
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## CAQG 2022 Quilt Show

After a 3-year hiatus, the CAQG Quilt Show is finally here! In less than a month, we will welcome visitors to see over 180 quilts, purchase handmade items, and listen to our demos. We can't do it, of course, without your generous gift of time volunteering at the show. If you are new to our guild, we encourage you to sign up even if you aren't sure what you'll do – nothing is difficult, and many of our members are experienced and happy to guide you. Meeting folks who gush over our quilts is SO gratifying! Even if you can't **volunteer** (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054dadae2caaff2-caqg>), please visit the show and patronize our vendors or buy something made by a fellow guild member.

So, on Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, we'll swarm the Tandem Friends School gymnasium and erect stands, hang quilts, post signs, and prepare for what we hope will be another 500+ visitors to our show over the weekend. **Quilts will be dropped off between 2:00 – 3:00 pm.** We'll send out reminders to those doing so the week prior, so that you can arrange for a friend to deliver your quilt if you can't make that time. We open the doors on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am (a change from last year) and close at 4:00 pm. During that time, volunteers will collect entrance fees, distribute ballots, sell raffle tickets, present demos, and float around answering questions and showing the backs of quilts when asked. Wear your name tag, showing you are a proud guild member!

We do it again on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. At that time, we close the gym to everyone except those helping take the show down. **Quilts can be picked up no sooner than 4:15 pm** (assuming we have everything loaded in the truck by then).

There is still time to contribute items to either the **Boutique** (less than \$25 apiece) or the **Shoppe at the Show** (\$25 and above), but please don't wait until the last minute as Alicia and Valerie must price everything in advance. Reach out to Linda Boone or Betty Dietz if you have something to donate – we'll be sure to get them from you if you or someone you know can't attend a Tuesday Morning meeting.

If you have **raffle quilt tickets** you won't be able to sell, please be sure to return them ASAP (at the show at the latest) so that someone else can sell them. We've had to order more already, so they are going like hotcakes! Remember when you do sell them to put your name on the back to become eligible to win a prize

Look for the list of **demos** posted on our website (<https://caqg.weebly.com/quilt-show-xvii.html>), so you can plan your visit accordingly. Be sure to patronize our **food vendor**, Two Brothers Southwestern, in the parking lot.

For the children, we have a one sheet **scavenger hunt**. There will be fun pencils as prizes for those youngsters who give it a try.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Linda Boone by email [lindab00ne@yahoo.com](mailto:lindab00ne@yahoo.com) or phone (number in membership list). She is so excited to see all the quilts in person that were registered. It's going to be a beautiful show!!

**Linda Boone**  
**Chair, CAQG Quilt Show**



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## *CAQG 2022 Quilt Show Continued*

### **Quilt Show Vendors**

**Cloth Peddler Quilt Shop:** Fabric on the bolt, precuts, 5-yard bundles

**Kevine Womack Art:** Hand-dyed fabrics, t-shirts and silk scarves

**Mangham Wool and Mohair Farm:** Wool roving and yarns

**Qute Scraps:** Handmade items such as: cards, paper crafts, decoupage, felt pins, earrings made by a variety of local crafters

**Ron Smith Longarm:** Samples of longarm work, patterns, video on computer

### **2024 Quilt Show**

Yes! We are working on the show for 2024. Linda Boone, who has chaired or co-chaired the last two shows will be stepping aside to let folks with new ideas take the lead for the next show. If you are interested, grab a friend (it's much more fun to do it with two people co-chairing), and let Linda know.

Linda is also gathering blocks for the 2024 raffle quilt and making plans to put it together in the spring. If you would like to work on one of the blocks, or have one you are finishing up, let her know, so that she can work with workshop folks on getting something scheduled to assemble it.

***Linda Boone***

## *Workshops The Workshop Committee*

Valerie and I have been working diligently on mini workshop scheduling as well as the Fall Workshop. We have something in the works for each month starting with a presentation on getting your quilts ready for a long-armer (May) and pillowcase construction in Crozet on June 27th from 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Date for the longarm lecture and locations will be announced in a later email.

The Fall Workshop will feature a lecture on Quilt labels and a 3-hour workshop on Facings presented by Shannon Shirley of Once in a Rabbit Moon [www.onceinarabbitmoon.com](http://www.onceinarabbitmoon.com). Shannon gave a very well received lecture at Fall Fest in November and we decided to have her back. Details will be coming in future months.

***Ginger Mirenda***  
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## *Fiber and Stitch Art Collective*

Fiber and Stitch Art Collective meets on Sunday afternoons at the Charlottesville Waldorf School. Our next meeting is March 27th at 2 pm. For more information, contact Jane fellows at [dancingdeer.fellows@gmail.com](mailto:dancingdeer.fellows@gmail.com).

Our next show, Resilience of Humanity, can be seen at the Create Gallery at Indoor Biotechnologies (700 Harris Street, Charlottesville) from April 3 to May 22, 2022. The opening reception is on Sunday April 4 from 2-4 pm. And we hope to see many of you. Please see the photos below for a small sample of the works exhibited and a full description of the theme "Resilience of Humanity."

### **Jane Fellows**

<p style="text-align: center;">Fiber and Stitch Art Collective Resilience of Humanity</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Create Gallery at Indoor Biotechnologies, Inc April 3-May 22, 2022</p>	<p>The Fiber and Stitch Art Collective is a group of central Virginia artists based in Charlottesville and affiliated with Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA). Our works demonstrate the diversity of art quilts and unique uses of fiber and other forms of stitch art.</p> <p>About the show: Throughout time humanity has faced and overcome adversity, such as environmental disasters, conflicts, or the current pandemic. It is part of human nature to be buoyant and be capable of recovery. This is our resilience. Together, with kindness and care for each other, we work towards this response so that we can move forward. This is our humanity. It is this resilience of humanity that we here interpret through fiber art.</p> <p>Contributors:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Miriam Ahladas</td> <td>Maryann Lincoln</td> <td>Estelle Porter</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deby Bigdely</td> <td>Toni Lockhart</td> <td>C. Ann Robertson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wendy Buettner</td> <td>Ellen MacAvoy</td> <td>Janet Saulsbury</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sara Chambers</td> <td>Alicia MacWright</td> <td>Fatty Swugert</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Marijke Durieux</td> <td>Mary Martin</td> <td>Jo Lee Tarbell</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jane Fellows</td> <td>Kirsten Niemann</td> <td>Alda Vidrich</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Margaret Griffiths</td> <td>Rozanne Oliver</td> <td>Janice Walker</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Robin Hamill</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: right;">Create Gallery at Indoor Biotechnologies 700 Harris Street, Charlottesville 22903 Opening Reception- Sunday, April 3, 2-4 PM First Fridays - May 6, 5:30-8 PM Closing Reception - Sunday, May 22, 2-4 PM For additional viewing, call or text to schedule: (975) 945-8080</p>	Miriam Ahladas	Maryann Lincoln	Estelle Porter	Deby Bigdely	Toni Lockhart	C. Ann Robertson	Wendy Buettner	Ellen MacAvoy	Janet Saulsbury	Sara Chambers	Alicia MacWright	Fatty Swugert	Marijke Durieux	Mary Martin	Jo Lee Tarbell	Jane Fellows	Kirsten Niemann	Alda Vidrich	Margaret Griffiths	Rozanne Oliver	Janice Walker	Robin Hamill		
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