

# Oxford Quilters Guild *disPatch* November/December, 2019



## President's Message

Hard to believe it is autumn already! I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. We have had 2 meetings so far and I think the program committee is off to a great start. A huge thank you to Julie Nutbrown and her plus one Megan Hart for creating a Blog for us. This will be a fantastic tool for all members to use. We can now enjoy the guest speaker at the meeting and know that if we have forgotten a name, tip, or pattern that was mentioned, we can find it on the Glossary page.

Bill Stearman will be our guest speaker for the November 6 and 7 meetings. Followed by a sold out workshop on the 8<sup>th</sup> on Double Disappearing 9-Patch. For the evening meeting we need 2 members to volunteer to be greeters. If you are able to help out, please email me at [Marion.kramer55@gmail.com](mailto:Marion.kramer55@gmail.com).

At our December 4 & 5 meetings we will extend our social time. Please bring appetizers for the evening and pot luck for the day meetings. Please bring your favorite dish to share, along with your plate, napkin, utensils and of course your mug.

We are still in need of a Vice-President. New members on the Executive bring fresh new ideas with them, so please consider taking on this role.

Happy Quilting

Marion



## Important Dates:

Executive Meetings:  
November 28/19 @ 7:00

Last Date for next *disPatch*  
submissions:  
December 13, 2019

## Oxford Quilters Guild Fall Retreat—Sewjourn

Arden Park Best Western –  
Stratford, Ontario  
November 1, 2 and 3, 2019  
See registration form attached



## UFO Challenge

Don't forget to bring in your projects as you complete them for show and share! Leslie is keeping track of completed UFO ....remember there will be a prize at our June banquet!

## Program

### November

Wed. November 6 7 - 9:30  
 Thurs. November 7 9:30 – noon



### Bill Stearman – Back Pack Show

Bill Stearman from Bellville will be providing our program. Bill specializes in the “double disappearing nine patch” blocks and turns them into magic. His back pack show will impress you and will make you want to get going with those nine patches.

### December

Wed. December 4 7 - 9:30  
 Thurs. December 5 9:30 – noon



### Reveal, Relax and joy



We are excited to have the “Great Sneeze Challenge” masterpieces will be revealed for all to enjoy!

Laughter yoga is a new twist on an ancient practice. Not only does it increase happiness, but it also strengthens the immune system, reduces pain and lowers stress. More contagious than a cough or sneeze, laughter relaxes the whole body. It triggers the release of endorphins, promoting an overall sense of well – being.

Just in time for the hectic holiday season, Gail Kavelman, Certified Laughter yoga teacher will engage our group and provide ways to decrease our stress and help build emotional resilience.

Finally, we will enjoy the Christmas spirit by sharing food, fun and fellowship.

All Creative Arts Centre members are invited to join us for our pot luck celebrations!

## Your 2019/2020 Executive

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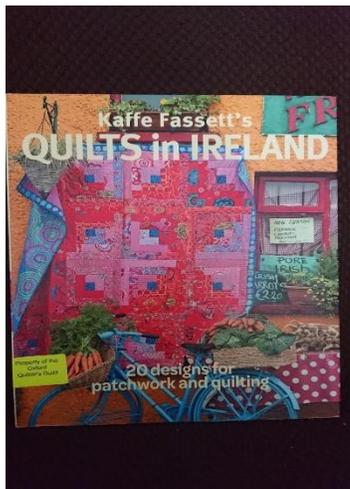
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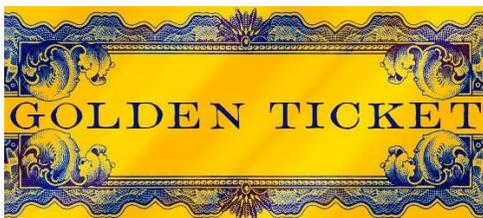
## OQG Library News

As promised, I am going to try and review one or two books in our library collection to give you an idea of what we have.



### Kaffe Fassett's Quilts in Ireland 20 Designs for patchwork and quilting

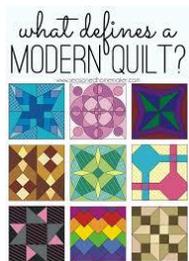
Even if you have no interest in the quilt patterns or quilts in general, this book is a collection of fabulous photography. What makes it even better is the combination of beautiful, colourful quilts in the images. Fassett's journey to Ireland to photograph this collection of quilts was inspired by a postcard of a brightly painted house he had acquired many years previous and was pinned to his studio wall. I am a little intimidated by his fabrics as I cannot picture how to work them together let alone make something out of them. And just seeing pictures of a quilt made with them, I still find them busy and almost too much for the eye to take in. When viewing the photos with the quilts mixed in amongst the buildings and countryside, it takes the overwhelming feeling away and you see just how these bold and beautiful fabrics really do work together. The Maple Leaf Medallion might just be my favourite. I read through the directions for this quilt and I would consider it to be for someone with a bit of experience. Not a beginner quilt. The most confusing part was the cutting instruction as it used the fabric number to identify the fabric to be cut. There is a key to the fabrics and their numbers which is definitely helpful. I think using these patterns with other fabrics would be for the more experienced quilters out there. (I am a relatively new quilter though so this is just my opinion).



Keep your eyes out for those golden tickets. If you find one send me a message ([ldvpoole@execulink.com](mailto:ldvpoole@execulink.com)) or [oxfordquiltersguild@gmail.com](mailto:oxfordquiltersguild@gmail.com) with the Title of the book you found it in, or you can leave me a note with the ticket and your name and the Title of the book in the book card box.

Leslie Stevens-Poole  
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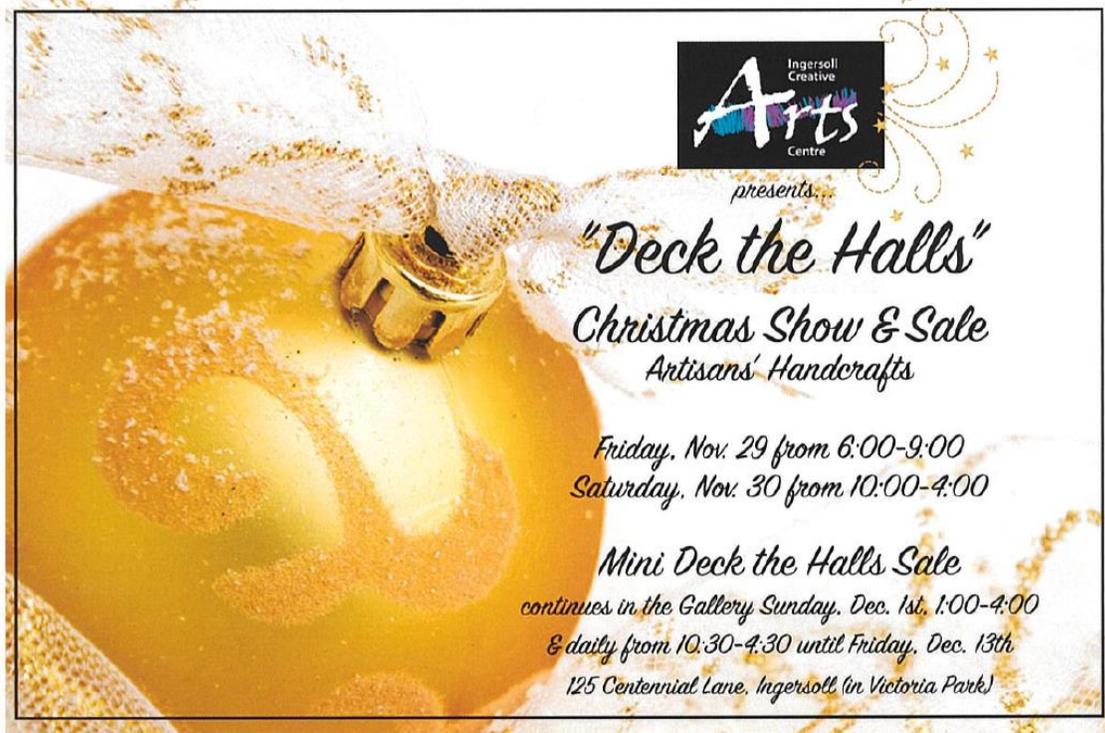
## New Initiative!



### **Modern Quilt**

After the October presentation on Modern Quilting lead by Kristen McCoy, the executive is considering starting another studio time specifically for modern quilting, maybe with a kick off of a workshop and possibly an inspiration series. If you would be interested in being the "point person" for this initiative, please speak to Marion Kramer.

## ICAC Deck the Halls



Traditionally our members have provided cookies for the “bake sale” portion of the Deck the Halls celebrations. The Thursday evening group will be doing the wrapping of the cookies on Thursday evening November 28<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to bake cookies please have them to the centre by 6:00 p.m. on November 28<sup>th</sup>. If you live outside of Ingersoll drop off spots have been arranged in Tillsonburg (Leslie Poole), Dorchester (Carol Cleator), St. Thomas (Lynn Rock).

### Guild Workshop

Bill Stearman will be coming to us for our meetings in November and has graciously agreed to provide a workshop while he is here. He specializes in creating quilts all with a story, his improvisational thinking has led him to create some awesome projects. You'll love the talent he will share.



**November 8, 2019 - 9:30 – 4:00 Sold Out!!**

Members will learn his technique for double disappearing 9-patch by making 3 pillow tops or they can be used for blocks in the beginning of your own quilt project.

Cost is \$50.00 per member with an additional kit fee of \$20.00 (to be paid to instructor on the day of workshop).

See Pat Palmer to register.

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