



Gate City Quilt Guild Gazette

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UFO Sightings

Recently the government said there had been over 550 UFO sightings reported last year and of these only 131 remained unidentified. Most of the sightings were balloons, airborne grocery bags, and other ordinary things. I wonder what those 131 objects were. Are we being visited from outer space? Who knows?

What I do know is that I have at least 14 UFOs in my sewing room in various stages of progress. Four that are in need of quilting and have been at that stage for at least 5 years. A couple need the binding finished. Several others have fabric cut, but still need to be pieced together. I am sure there are a few stuffed away in my fabric closet that I haven't even found yet. Some of the fabric is now outdated and I wonder what I was thinking when I put it together. I am sure I am not alone in this UFO world.

One of my New Year's resolutions, besides the annual "I am going to lose weight this year", is to conquer my UFO's. I am tired of seeing them around. For one thing they make me feel guilty when I start a new project or buy more fabric. Oh, those poor UFOs just begging to be completed and put to use. How can I turn my back on them???

Join me in 2023 and make this the year we conquer our UFOs. If you no longer like the pattern or the fabric, remember there is someone somewhere who could use the quilt. Think charity, boutique, silent auction. If you just can't stand working on it anymore, there is probably someone in the guild who would love to finish it for charity. It's time ladies to declare ourselves free of UFOs. I challenge everyone to tackle that project hidden back in the closet or still laying on the countertop or in a bin.

LET'S ALL BE UFO-FREE BY 2024. What a great feeling that will be!

Karen, Your President



February 2nd, 2023
Meeting In Person @ Congregational United Church of Christ and
Zoom
(6:30pm visiting, meeting begins at 7pm)



Creating a Scrappy Slab

Sarah Goer from San Jose, California will help us think outside the box at our February zoom meeting. Her program title is Creating a Scrappy Slab. She combines her eleven-year experience as a middle school math teacher and two decades of quilting to create bold color and geometric designs. She helps quilters build their improv piecing skills in a fun and playful way to create unique designs.

Get your scraps out of your scrap bin and into a project! In this lecture/demo, Sarah will demonstrate her techniques for building a scrappy slab from scrap fabrics of any size. In addition to show and tell about numerous projects using these slabs, Sarah will outline a variety of ways for you to use scrappy slabs in your quilting. You will leave this lecture/demo ready to sew your own scrappy slabs at home.

:-) Sarah
(she/her)
Sarah Goer Quilts
www.sarahgoerquilts.com



Upcoming Workshops

Our March workshop with Kathleen Rountree is titled--Using the Elements of Art to Spice up Your Quilts. "Quiltmakers often say they wish they had more formal art training. But the time to take art classes just doesn't exist in their schedule. In this class, our goal will be to quickly move from reading about the elements of art to USING THEM. Using lovely design papers rescued from the enormous stash of a retiring scrapbook-maker, we will first create small works in paper – each work will explore different elements – line, color, form, texture, etc. You'll have lots of guidance , and lots of freedom.

When you are comfortable with paper, we will move to fabric, creating new pieces and enhancing some of your past work. You will leave the class with lots more knowledge, a greater comfort with creating from scratch, and a few nice small samples that can be placed into a sampler quilt, or used as wall art or a table mat. AND I THINK YOU WILL HAVE FUN !"



Workshop March 3, 2023

All workshops have to have 12 paid participants. In order for this workshop to make the guild must have the money by January 20, 2023. The cost of the workshop is \$69.00 for members and \$69.00 for non-members (Price Change). Checks should be made out to Gate City Quilt Guild.

Looking ahead to May

Our program and workshop in May will be Barbara Blanton. Barbara formed the Academy of Applique in 2015 and she does a week-long applique retreat/school held annually at Kingsmill Resort in Williamsburg, Virginia. She does beginner, intermediate, and advanced classes in applique. On Thursday, May 4th she will present a trunk show "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Academy." On Friday she will do an applique workshop. The cost of the workshop will be \$69.00 for members and \$94.00 for non-members. So please place the date on your calendar to attend the workshop.

List of Program Presentations for 2023

January 2023 (Congregational United Church of Christ / Speaker via Zoom)

Pat Speth--Five Inch is a Cinch

<https://patspeth.com>

February 2023 (Congregational United Church of Christ / Speaker via Zoom)

Sarah Goer--Creating a Scrappy Slab

<https://www.sarahgoerquilts.com>

March 2023 (Congregational United Church of Christ)

Kathleen Rountree--Joyful Journey (+ Workshop)

<https://kathleenrountree.com>

April 2023

No Meeting due to scheduling conflicts

May (Congregational United Church of Christ)

Barbara Blanton--Academy of applique (+ Workshop)

www.academyofapplique.com

June 2023

Emma Jane – Arpilleras

<https://dreamitquiltit.com>

July

Picnic in the park

August 2023

TBD

September 2023

TBD

October 2023

TBD

November 2023

TBD

December 2023

Holiday Party

CALLING ALL TO HELP WITH 2023 PRESENTERS

Who would you like to see visit our guild in 2023? We are working on the roster and would love your suggestions. In fact, we need your suggestions so we can find instructors you will learn from and enjoy. So please send your suggestions to Debbie or Carol. Our contact information can be found on the Membership List

Sew Hours

HEY HEY HEY - CHANGES TO SEW HOUR STARTING 2023

That's right, we are adding another chance to be a part of Sew Hour. Since the beginning of "Sew Hour" we have been meeting on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month and the 4th Thursday of every month from 1:00 to 3:00. And we will continue to do so.

But we are adding yet another chance for members to meet on Zoom. The 2nd Sunday of the month will be a "Sew Hour" day from 2:00 to 4:00. And every so often we will hold a Sew Sunday - Sew Something Special on the 2nd Sunday. But of course, your own project is welcomed during the Specials.

So bring your projects and join the fun, the conversation, the sharing and the dedicated time for your quilting.

In February our Sew Hour(s) will be on the 7th and 21st (Tuesday 1-3), the 23rd (Thursday 1-3) and the 12th (Sunday 2-4). Look for your Zoom invitation a couple of days before the event.

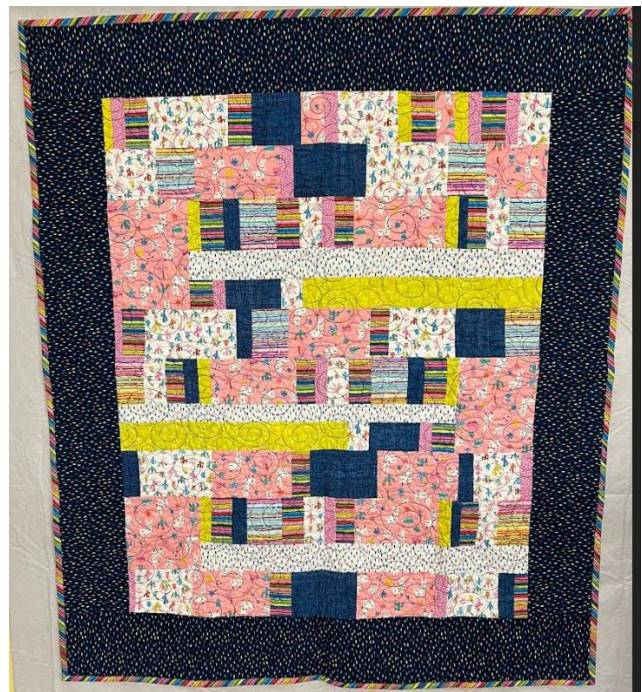
As an aside, 2023 will be the second year of the absence of an Activities Chair. If you are interested in the chair position, please get in touch with me as I would be happy to talk with you about it. My contact information can be found on the membership list. Carol

Boutique Reminder

We have supplies like zippers, interfacings, Insulbrite, fabric, and trims. If you are making something for Boutique and need supplies give Donna Paulson a call. We may have what you need. Also, if you are making something as a gift, consider making an extra for Boutique. Thank for supporting the guild.

Donna Paulson

Charity Committee



Spread/Sew some love in February



Help us reach the 100 - quilt goal for charity this year!

There are quilts to be quilted, some quilts to be made,

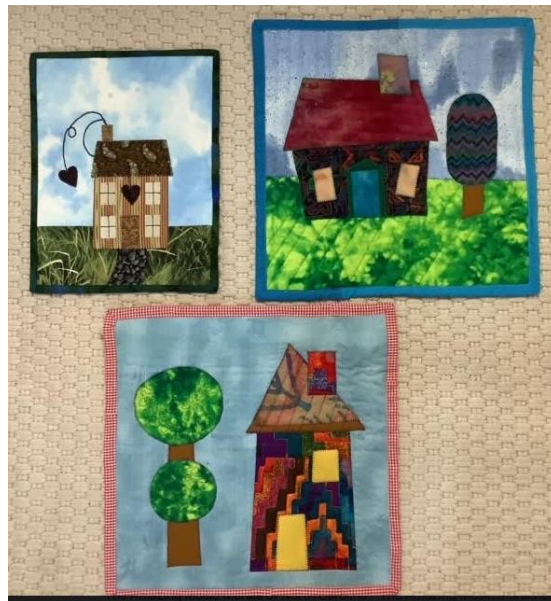
if you have any questions please contact Patti Jones, Esther Mayo or Juli Hurin

Yard Sale

Please keep the yard sale items. Just let me know when you have items to drop off or will have items at the monthly meetings to ensure I have room in the car.
Thank you all for supporting our guild, Darcy Benson

Little House Quilts for Habitat Greensboro

Thanks to everyone for your continued delivery of Little House Quilts for Habitat for Humanity. Please keep creating and bringing your adorable houses to guild meetings. Any size up to 18" square and remember some kind of sleeve or hanging tabs on the back. Laurie Shaw will collect, add guild labels, and deliver these for new Habitat Homeowners.



Raw Edge Applique / Quilting Mini Groups

Betsy Bopp and Barbara Wolfe are starting a mini group for raw edge applique. This group meets on the last Saturday in the month at 10am.

The meeting place will be Lee's Chapel United Methodist Church. Since it is a large space, we are inviting all quilters to sit and sew with us.

Hand Applique / Quilting Mini Group

Applique is ornamental needlework in which pieces of fabric are sewn or stuck onto a large piece of fabric to form pictures or patterns. There are three forms of applique, hand applique, machine applique and fused applique.

Each type of applique has its own techniques, equipment and personally. Most quilters have one technique that is their favorite, but have used the others on different quilt projects. My favorite is hand applique.

I use the Lori Holt (Bee in my Bonnet website) method of using lightweight interfacing (non-fusible), sewing it on top of the piece to be appliqued, cutting a slit in the interfacing and turning it right side out. This method is not suitable for small pieces. All of your ends are turned under, ready for pressing and then appliqued. I no longer use silk thread, but an 80-weight cotton thread that is very fine. The thread should match the piece being sewn onto the larger piece. I also use tiny applique pins with the white ball on the head. You can find demonstrations of the applique stitch on line, or you can join the handwork mini and we will show you. The handwork mini meets the third Friday of the month at the Benjamin Public Library from 9:30am - 12noon

My deceased mother would be so proud of my tiny applique stitches. Until next time.

Sharon Bibbs.
Co-Chair. of Programs
Coordinator of Handwork Mini





February Birthday's

Feb 2 nd	Miranda Slade
Feb 8 th	Darcy Benson
Feb 8 th	Harry Lejda
Feb 10 th	Ginger Karb
Feb 21 st	Sandy Gardner

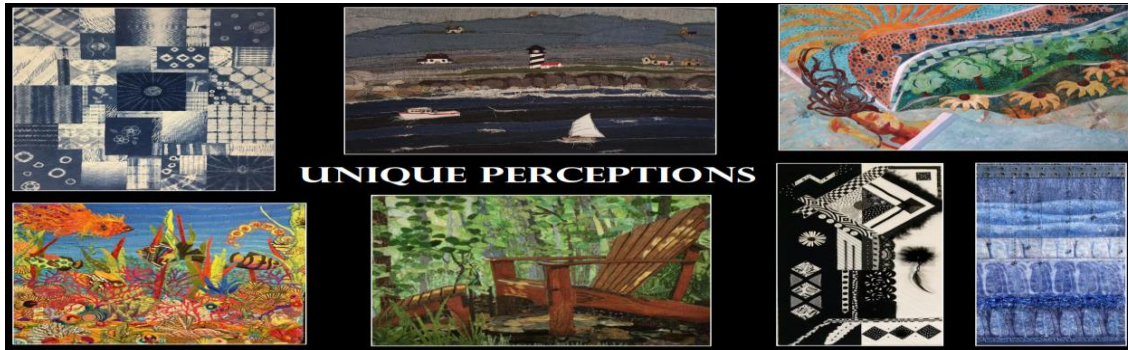
Gate City Quilt Guild - 2023 Board Officers

✚ President	Karen Cartlidge
✚ President Elect	Miranda Slade
✚ Quilt Show Chair*	Laurie Shaw
• Co-Chair	Karen Cartlidge
✚ Treasurer*	Caryn Wright
✚ Secretary*	Barbara Wolfe
✚ Newsletter*	Darcy Benson
✚ Website*	Darcy Benson
✚ Historian*	Linda Grogan
✚ Membership*	Ruth Hamilton
✚ Membership*	Sue Cole
✚ Membership*	Becky Hayes
✚ Publicity*	Linda Grogan
✚ Publicity*	Heather Brandon
✚ Charity*	Patti Jones
✚ Charity*	Esther Mayo
✚ Charity*	Juli Hurin
✚ Hospitality*	Mary Puckett
✚ Hospitality*	Barbara Wolfe
✚ Programs	Debbie Feulner
✚ Programs	Sharon Bibbs
✚ Activities	Open Position
✚ Parliamentarian*	Betsy Bopp

January							2023
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17 Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm – 3pm	18	19	20 Hand Applique 9:30am-Noon Benjamin Library	21	
22	23	24	25	26 Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm – 3pm	27 Extravaganza	28 Raw Edge Applique 10am Lee’s Chapel United Methodist Church Extravaganza	
29	30	31					

February							2023
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1	2 Guild Meeting 6:30 pm – Cong. United Church of Christ	3	4	
5	6	7 Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm – 3pm	8	9	10	11	
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Out and About News



Save the reception date for *Unique Perceptions*

Our own Valerie Paterson is one of the artists in The Beecassos.

Just as the famous painter Pablo Picasso approached painting in a new way, these artists approach quilting in a new way: as paintings and sculptural creations using fiber as their medium.

*the Center for Creative Leadership is
pleased to feature*

UNIQUE PERCEPTIONS

Fiber creations as you've never seen them!
The BEECASSOS (who take their name from Picasso) experiment with non-traditional ways of combining fabric, thread, and related materials in their artwork.

Pat Arndt
Vickie Clontz
Ellen Hart
Kathy Johnson
Nancy Lassiter
Gail McNeill

Valerie Paterson
Barbara Potoczny
Joan Rutledge
Penny Sharp
Jenny Williams
Mary Jo Wimberly

Friday January 13, 2023

5:00-7:00 p.m.

One Leadership Place Greensboro

Exhibit may also be seen by appointment on Fridays:
Friday, Dec. 9, 2022 through Friday, March 24, 2023
Please call (336) 708-2495 to schedule

Clockwise from top left:

Basement Blues – Ellen Hart; **Lobster Buoy** – Jenny Williams; **Dreamscape** – Joan Rutledge; **Evening Rain** – Nancy Lassiter; **This & That** – Penny Sharp; **Adirondack Chair** – Kathy Johnson; **Scintillating Serendipity** – Pat Arndt



Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza

Statesville Civic Center

300 South Center St.

Statesville, NC

Jan. 27, 2023 from 9 am - 5 pm

Jan. 28, 2023 from 9 am - 4 pm

Mark your calendar for this fabulous shopping event!

Spend the day shopping for quilting fabrics, yarns for knitting, and wools for appliqué. Books, patterns and notions will inspire you to create. Shop for a new sewing machine or a long arm sewing machine. Our vendors are quilt shops and knitting shops. Some vendors dye their own fabrics and some “grow” their own yarns on their farms. Some vendors design their own patterns and some just know where to order the “best stuff”.

There will be hourly door prizes and each day at 3pm, Sew Original from Winston Salem and Studio Stitch from Greensboro will be giving away a Bernina Sewing machine. (You must be present to win a machine.) Arrive early. Be one of the first 100 people in the door, and you will get an extra ticket to win all day long.

Cafe 220 will be there with their fabulous food and Troyer's Bakery will have delicious baked goods.





Charlotte Quilters' Guild

Carolina Lily Quilt Show

Quilt Show & Specialty Vendors

March 3 - 4, 2023 (9am – 4pm)

Union Co Agricultural Center

3230 Presson Road Monroe, NC 28112

Admission \$8.00, Free Parking

Vendors listed on our website www.charlottequiltersguild.org

Raffle Prizes, Boutique by the Quilters' Guild and more!

Judged Exhibition of members' quilts

Gate City Quilt Guild
Membership Application for the year of - 20__

Please Print Legibly

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, and Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday: (year optional): _____

Check if New: _____ Renewal: _____ Check #: _____ Amount: _____

- Annual membership is January 1 – December 31 and the annual membership fee is \$35 due by January 31.
- Annual fee for members age 75 or older is \$20.
- New members joining after July 31 will be charged \$25 for membership through the remainder of the membership year. No other prorating will apply.
- Membership dues are non-refundable.

Mail this completed form and your check, payable to Gate City Quilt Guild by January 31st to:

Gate City Quilt Guild

P.O. Box 29196

Greensboro, NC 27429-9196

Or–hand it in at the membership table at any meeting.

Rev April 2022

Inclement Weather Policy

If Guilford County Schools are closed due to inclement weather the meeting may be changed to a zoom session.

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We do our best to update you on meeting changes from in person to Zoom via email, Facebook, our website or a phone call

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The guild website

<http://www.gatecityquiltguild.org/>

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK.

<https://www.facebook.com/gatecityquiltguild>



Use the Facebook page to share work, tips & ideas.
Or even to ask for help with a project!

Guild Meetings are held:

1st Thursday of the month
6:30 pm Social
7:00 pm Meeting begins

Congregational United Church of Christ
400 W. Radiance Drive
Greensboro, NC 27403

Meets are held either in person or via Zoom (See the list of Program Presentations for the meeting location)

Email - info@gatecityquiltguild.org

Mailing Address:
Gate City Quilt Guild
P. O. Box 29196,
Greensboro, NC 27429

Newsletter Advertising

The cost is per month for both newsletter and website

Ad size	Member	Non-member
Business card	no charge	\$ 5.00
1/4 page	\$3.75	\$ 7.50
1/2 page	\$6.25	\$12.50
Full Page	\$12.50	\$25.00

Newsletter Deadline

The 20th of the month

Send your contributions and info to share to BensonDarcy@gmail.com
Include the word "Newsletter" in the subject line.