



President's Message

Happy Spring!! In the next 3 weeks I will have a new grand baby and a wedding. Our show happens next month highlighting our 40th year as a guild!

Thank you to all the members who have helped by making quilts, and everyone who has stepped up to help in various ways.

We still need your help at the show. Professional people will transport, deliver and set up the racks. Please do your best to make things run smoothly by dropping off your donated and consigned items as well as your quilts when due at the appropriate locations.

I challenge everyone to bring at least 5 people to the show-- family, friends, and acquaintances.

Join our Board

Carla and Nancy Pond have been reaching out to members to fill board positions for next year.



Are you passionate about making an impact and bringing fresh ideas to the table? We need YOU to help us shape the future of our guild for 2026!

Positions Available



Newsletter

We want to change the format of the newsletter that we send 4-5 times a year. Are you good on the computer? Can you copy and paste? Are you creative?



2027 Show Chairs

Be a key part of organizing and coordinating our show in 2027. We need **visionary leaders** who can bring together all the pieces and help us make this a showstopper.



Raffle Quilt Chair

Help curate and manage our quilt raffle with your organizational skills and attention to detail. If you love the art of quilting, this is your chance to get involved and bring our community closer together.



Publicity

Are you a marketing whiz or just great at spreading the word? We need someone to take the lead on publicity and outreach to ensure our events and programs get the attention they deserve.

See you March 19, 2025 in Walpole at K of C!

Your participation is what will help make our guild the awesome group that it is!

Abby

Quilt Show Updates

Hi Everyone,

All the committee members for the quilt show have been very busy with the planning and we wanted to send some updates your way.

Quilt Drop Off

There will be 3 drop off locations on Thursday, 4/3:

Abby S's house (8am to 1pm);

Terry R's house (10am to 4pm); and

Carla K's garage (3pm to 7pm).

Members who are not able to drop off their quilts during these hours can contact a show chair or Anita or Zelayna for an alternate day/time.

Drop-off addresses and phone numbers can be found on the Quilt Entry Confirmation Form emailed to you by Anita L. on February 9.

Volunteer Schedule:

The most up to date volunteer schedule will be available at our 3/19 meeting. Jacqueline Fleishman will be in touch with people who have not yet signed up for volunteer time and with guild members who have not submitted quilts in hopes that they can volunteer time to support the guild. She will also be sending out confirmation emails once the shifts have been finalized.

Sign Up to be Show Volunteer

Please email me, rufztoo@gmail.com to let me know if you can volunteer on Saturday afternoon from 2:00-4:00pm as there are several spots that need to be filled. On Sunday there are 3 spots for the 10-noon time slot available. We also need someone to help Venera hang the "viewer's choice" ribbons at 8:00am.

Thank you,
Jacqueline Fleishman

Early Check In for the Boutique:

The goal of the boutique chairs is to have as many items checked in and priced prior to show set up on 4/4. Please contact Dottie Sullivan (dottie@sullivancrew.com) or Jacqui O'Brien (jacquo136@aol.com) for details of early check in. The goal deadline for early check in is 3/18 but items ready after this date may be checked in if there is a checker available.

Quilt Pick Up on Sunday will begin at 4:30pm outside the door of the gym. Please be sure to bring the copy of your quilt label and a bag to take the quilt home with. The show is less than a month away!! It is very exciting so if you have questions please contact Terry, Carla or Abby. Thank you!!

Boutique News

There are a few reminders regarding the Boutique for both those selling items and those who will volunteer in the Boutique:

- Are you still getting your sale items ready for the Boutique? All forms and sales tags are available at:
 1. AAQ in the "Boutique Box" (ask a salesperson for the Box)
 2. The RNQG Meeting 3/19
- Friday April 4th is the drop off time for your Boutique items to sell. The time is still not confirmed but it will be late afternoon at the earliest. We will notify you through the website and email once we know.
- Volunteers for the Boutique in any capacity will receive training.
- All your unsold boutique items, donated and consigned need to be picked up immediately after the show starting at 4PM Sunday 4/6 at the Boutique. Please

be patient as we work hard to check everyone out. Even if all your items have sold, you need to sign off on the inventory sheet(s) and pick up your empty box.

- The only items not returned to you will be mini quilts and magazines.
- The Boutique Guidelines document should be reviewed. If you have questions not addressed here, contact both Jacqui and Dottie at QSBoutique@RNQG.org.

Updates From the Nominating Committee

Thank you to all board members who have agreed to stay on in their current position and also to those of you who have already stepped for next year! We have a lot of exciting new Ideas and projects coming! Next year promises to be a lot of fun!

We still need volunteers for the positions of:

- * Raffle Quilt Chair(s)
- * Publicity
- * 2027 Show Chair(s)
- * Newsletter

There are several roles that are more involved in order to transfer leadership. For these we are asking for assistance now in preparation for transfer in the future. Assistants are needed for: Website, Comfort Quilts, and Program Chair. Please consider helping out the Guild. The more involved you are the more opportunity for a vibrant guild and for us all to have more fun together. Call or email one of us with questions or to volunteer.

Carla Keen
Abby Sullivan
Nancy Pond

Programs

Our **March meeting** has the return of David Sirota, who is always entertaining.

The **April meeting** features Janet Elia with her "Spiffy Bindings"

The **May meeting** welcomes Michelle Banton's presentation "If MacIver was a Quilter"

The **June meeting** has our own Diana Annis and Anita Loscalzo telling us how to document our quilts.

There is still room at the David Sirot workshop in April. I can accept registration at the March meeting.

The "Sashimi Table Topper" workshop is may 10th.

Catherine Keillihier

Comfort Quilts for the Taunton Habitat for Humanity Family

Thank you to everyone who offered to make a quilt for a member of the Taunton Habitat for Humanity family. They will love them all, I'm sure!

Thank you also to everyone who made quilts to be donated through our Comfort Quilt project. I'm holding on to some of them for now to display at our show but, after the show, they will all be going to their new homes.

I do have some completed quilts that need binding that I will bring to the meeting on 3/19. Please look for me there to grab one if you're able to help!

As always, thank you thank you thank you!!!

Terry Ruta

NEWS FROM THE NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

Hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 10 AM - 4 PM; Closed Sundays and Mondays

A parking lot behind the museum is available for free parking ON WEEKENDS ONLY.

A free parking option when the Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center is open and be can be viewed

at:<https://www.nps.gov/lowe/planyourvisit/directions.htm>

CURRENT EXHIBITS:

Now through March 29, 2025

JUST WANNA COPYRIGHT FOR MAKERS: LESSONS ON COPYRIGHT RELATING TO QUILTING AND OTHER FIBER ART

MAKER UNKNOWN: SELECTIONS FROM THE PERMANENT COLLECTION

Now through May 3, 2025

FIERCE PLANETS: A SAQA AND JOHNS HOPKINS WAVELENGTHS GLOBAL EXHIBITION

April 1 through June 21, 2025

MARY KERR'S "MAKE DO" QUILTS

May 6, through August 9, 2025

QUILTS JAPAN: THE 17 TH QUILT NIHON EVENTS:

Saturday, March 14 at 11 a.m.

Guest Speaker, Dr. Sabine Stanley: "What's Hidden Inside Planets?" For more information on membership, exhibitions, and events, see: www.neqm.org

ALSO... YOUR quilt could be chosen to represent RNQG! The Summer Celebration of New England Quilts features a gallery exhibition of exceptional quilts made by the New England Quilt Museum's supporting guilds. These will be

on view in the museum from August 12th to September 9th, 2025. Our guild is invited to submit one quilt (selected by RNQG membership at the April meeting) for inclusion in this special exhibition. The quilts will not be judged at the Museum exhibit, but a Viewers' Choice award will be presented. The winning guild will be invited to display its members' quilts in the Genre Gallery of the New England Quilt Museum in 2026.

