

May 2018 RCMQG Meeting Agenda

1. Social / Shopping / Sell and Swap Table
2. Introductions (Make sure to wear your nametag if you've got one!)
3. Updates
 - a. Officer's Meeting Highlights
 - i. Working to add Saleemah to the bank account, she will follow up again this week
 - ii. 2017 Taxes are complete
 - iii. Reviewed New Member Form
 - iv. Reviewed Bylaws
 - v. Reviewed results of the goal prioritization survey and Quilt Con/Volunteer survey.
 - b. Quilt Con 2019, Member Registration opens June 26
 - c. MQG is doing a survey to select a location for Quilt Con 2021. Vote here:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QuiltCon2021>
4. Sew and Tell
5. Programming
 - a. Fabric Dying Workshop this Saturday, have 10 people signed up
 - b. Quilt As You Go Workshop--TBD
 - c. Current Challenges
 - i. Color Challenge (reveal in June)
 - ii. Charm Square Challenge (reveal in August)
 - iii. Non-Quilt Item Challenge (ongoing, final reveal in October)
6. Fundraising
 - a. Preparing for the fundraising auction this year. Cynthia has volunteered to take photos. Looking for 1-2 additional people to help with auction details (writing descriptions, packing and mailing items, preparing information for the library display, etc).
7. Membership
 - a. Set up committee meeting time/place to meet team members, discuss membership goals, hand out assignments, discuss planning for long term goals
8. Charity
 - a. Presentation

9. Charm Square Challenge Issued

- a. Select one package of charm squares, add only neutrals, make a mini/mug rug for the auction.
- b. Reveal at the August meeting

10. Bylaw Approval Vote

11. Survey Results

- a. Committee Sign Ups--Committee leads are reaching out
- b. Rocket City Sunset Auction
 - i. Auction it off as part of the online fundraising auction, with the quilt itself hung somewhere where it could be viewed in person.
 - ii. Share the profit from the auction between the selected charity and the guild (so the final selling price - the cost of fabric/supplies would be shared between the charity and guild
 - iii. Proceeds to go to St. Judes
- c. Membership
 - i. Focus on free advertising and networking
 - ii. Gathering more information on the local arts council
 - iii. Considerable interest in more activities
 1. Take local workshops and classes (78.6%)
 2. Do online projects together (78.6%)
 3. Go to local sewing/quilting related events together (78.6%)
 4. Foster "sewing bees" (71.4%)
 5. Take online classes together (57.1%)
 6. Go fabric shopping at local stores (42.9%)
 7. Go to dinner together (42.9%)
 - iv. Sewing Saturdays
 1. Make charity projects more accessible both in terms of kits and in terms of having the materials available.
 2. Ongoing project like a BOM
- d. Short Term Goals

- i. Charity
 - 1. Current program to rotate charity blocks and make quilts for St. Jude's
 - 2. Make pillowcases for foster kids
- e. Medium Term Goals
 - i. Top choice is to have smaller regional speakers/workshops (paid)--if you have someone you would like to suggest, please reach out to Amanda
 - ii. Interest in sewing with community groups--officers will be doing additional research on the top organizations
- f. Long Term Goals
 - i. Sponsor members at workshops with well known instructors (in exchange they present to the guild on what they learned) (78.6%)
 - ii. Have a long arm available for members to rent time on (71.4%)
 - iii. Host a quilt show (64.3%)
 - iv. Looking into smaller venues for a mini show as a first step.
 - v. Host a big name speaker (64.3%)
 - vi. Have dedicated meeting/sewing space (64.3%)
 - vii. Sponsor/support a Junior Modern Quilt Guild (50%)
 - viii. Write a book of quilting patterns (50%)

12. Charity Quilt Round Robin Challenge Swap

Updates/Reminders

Charity Quilts

- Current Block: Wonky Churn Dash
- Next Assembly Date: September 8th Sewing Saturday
- Tallies to Date

Tops in progress	0
Finished quilt tops	15
Finished Quilt Bundles	6
Quilts to be bound	0
Quilts to be labeled and washed	3
Completed quilts	0

Programming

- Next 3 Months:

May

May 19th--Workshop--Fabric Dyeing Workshop (Jen Brown)

June

June 2nd--Sew Day--Open Sew

June 19th--Meeting--Crayon Color Challenge Reveal

TBD--Workshop--Quilt as You Go Workshop (Glenn Pettaway)

July

July 7th--Sew Day--Open Sew

July 17th--Meeting--Make it Modern Challenge Issued, New Charity Block Issued

TBD--Road Trip for Wilson's Annual Sale

August

August 4th--Sew Day--Guild Banner for Library Display

August 21st--Meeting--Charm Square Challenge Reveal

- Upcoming Events/Quilt Shows/Conferences

Quilt Con 2019 Feb 21st-24th

RCMQG Retreat 2019 September 27th-29th

Instagram

- **#rcmqgoalposts** Our guild posts about progress on goals and resolutions
- **#quiltyresolutions** The national guild's tag for resolutions
- **#unswapswap18** A "swap" with a monthly theme where you make things and discuss with other Instagramers, but you keep what you make for yourself
- **#mqgsewday** MQG "sew day" the third Sunday of each month

National Guild Updates

- Quilt Con 2019 Important Dates
 - Member Registration: June 26
 - (Must be a member by June 22)
 - Public registration: July 10
 - Quilt submissions open: July 1
 - Quilt submissions close: Nov. 30
 - Notification of acceptance: Dec 2018
- Upcoming Webinars:

Designing Hand Printed Fabric for Quilting with Karen Lewis	May 22, 2018	1pm CST
http://bit.ly/HandPrinted		
Road Map for Teaching with Mel Beach	June 19, 2018	
http://bit.ly/RoadMapTeach		