

The NIMBLE THIMBLE

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Ladies,

I hope you and your families are well. Hope you are working on "Something Fishy" for our Summer Challenge. As we venture to some normalcy in the coming months, please be safe and realize that Covid is with us just like any other virus. We have lived through many events in our lives, which have made us more aware of ourselves and others, and how special family and friends are.

I pray for the lives lost. I'm sure Covid has touched us all in different ways. It has made us laugh, cry, swear and think. It has made us all stronger together, so let's continue our journey.

A decision was made by the board that, due to ever changing Covid restrictions, and out of an abundance of caution, all NBQA meetings and workshops will be offered via Zoom through January 2022. The presenter for September, Jody Beck, will hold her workshop on Saturday, September 18th. Please contact Gail Macera if you are interested.

So, I do hope you will join the Guild on Zoom for the September meeting. We thank you all for your support and understanding, and look forward to a great year, and our quilt show!!

With 45 years and so many more to come, I am very excited about working with my new board, Joan, Blaire and MaryAnne, in my final year of a long 4 years as your President. I thank Celia, Nina and Sue for standing by me these past 3 years, especially this last year. They were my backbone, along with Louise and Gail. We have learned so much about staying connected, and about our computers! With Zoom events and social distancing it was quite an education. It was so important to stay connected.

Thank you all for hanging in with the guild. You, our members, kept NBQA TOGETHER... See you soon!

Geri Bergreen
President

*In the crazy quilt of life,
I'm glad you're in my block of friends.*

RENEW YOUR NBQA MEMBERSHIP....

45 years and going Strong
Please share with friends...
The more the merrier

GENERAL MEETING

**Thursday, September 16, 2021
6:30 pm
Via Zoom**

PROGRAMS

ALL PROGRAMS WILL BE OFFERED VIA ZOOM THROUGH JANUARY 2022

September 16, 2021 Lecture - Jody Beck (www.jodysjemsquilting.com) "Art of Quilt Design" Power Point presentation and demonstration. She also has a YouTube channel at JodysJemsQuilting.

September 18, 2021 Saturday morning 3 to 4 hour workshop starting at 9:00 a.m. "Starry Wonder Table Topper" - pattern (download) may be purchased for \$9 with our discount on her website noted above.

October 21, 2021 Lecture - Ann Turley (www.annturley.info) "Confessions of the Quilt Police". Ann is also a quilt show judge so she will be able to give us some wonderful hints as we prepare for our quilt show.

October 23, 2021 Saturday morning 6 hour workshop starting at 9:30 a.m. - "Making Faces - A Self Portrait" - how fun this will be! Check out Ann's webpage for inspirational ideas!

November 18, 2021 Lecture - Karen Miller (www.redbirdquiltco.com) - "Aurifilosophy Lecture/Trunk Show". Every attendee will be given a spool of Aurifil thread and a product brochure. No workshop at this time.

December we will do a *Sip and Sew* (date to be determined).

2022

January 20, 2022 Lecture - Stephanie Hackney/Director of Sales and Marketing, Hobbs Bonded Fibers - "Batting: What's Inside Matters". There will also be an opportunity for someone to win batting. No workshop at this time.

Please look over these websites and see what catches your eye. We will start signups on August 1st. I will be sending out an email at that time with more descriptions of what the workshops entail.

Thanks!

Gail Macera
Tina Zuffoletti

2022 SPRING CELEBRATION QUILT SHOW FABRIC CHALLENGE

NBQA members and associate members are eligible to participate.

Two challenge fabrics were chosen.

Hoffman Bali Batiks
poppy Q2202-224

Hoffman Trapezium
Blossom M4218-448

Both fabrics must be used and recognizable on the front of the quilt. They must be used within the design, not just as border, sashing, or binding.

All items submitted must have three layers (top, batting, back) held together by stitching. A qualifying item may be a quilt, clothing, purse, tote, or other accessory.



The size must be at least 10" x 10" (or a total of 40" for all four sides) but not more than 24" x 36" (or a total of 120" for all four sides).

Completed entries must be brought to the February 2022 meeting along with a completed 2022 show entry form. The membership will vote on the displayed quilts. Ribbons in various categories will be awarded at the quilt show. Quilts not at the meeting may be placed in the show but will not hang with the challenge quilts.

We have only one bolt of each fabric so will limit purchase from NBQA to one fat quarter of each.

FABRIC WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE GUILD MEETINGS BUT CAN ALSO BE OBTAINED OVER THE SUMMER

HAVE THE FABRIC MAILED TO YOU: From 7/20 to 9/11

Contact Diane Roman to set aside the fabric. Cell: 321-917-0307 email: DDRoman@att.net

Mail a check (made out to NBQA) for \$7.00 (this includes postage) to:

Diane Roman 61 Beech Tree Place, Wakefield, RI 02879

Include your mailing address, phone, and email. You will be notified when your check is received and the fabric mailed.

IN PERSON PICK-UP (two locations). Cost \$5 cash or check made out to NBQA.

Wakefield, RI

Contact Diane Roman to arrange a time. See above contact information and address.

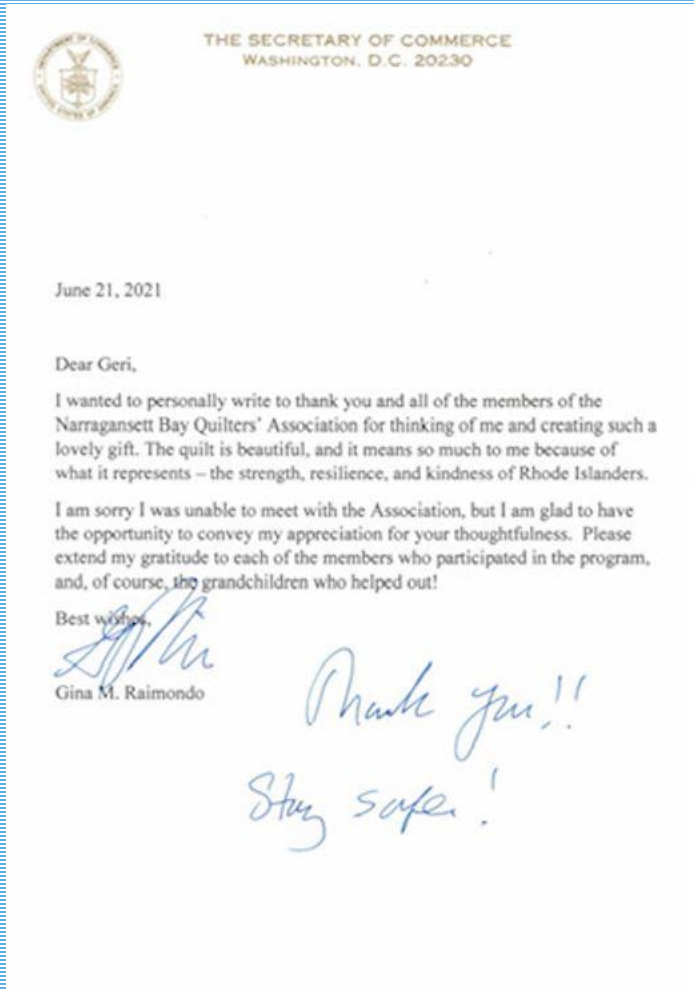
West Greenwich, RI

Contact Louise Pankiewicz cell: 401-323-0255 email: IslandcreationsbyLouise@gmail.com

Pickup will be at the classroom side of Island Creations the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the summer.

Between 11AM and 4PM 8/14, 8/28, 9/11 - 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich

Secretary Gina Raimondo has received her quilt!!



JUST A REMINDER FROM THE NBQA TREASURER.....

Expenses submitted to the Treasurer for reimbursement must be accompanied by a signed expense sheet. All expenses should go through committee chairs so that budgets can be monitored. The expense submission form is on the website:

<https://secureservercdn.net/198.71.233.72/401.a31.myftpupload.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/NBQA-Expense-Sheet.pdf>

Any questions please contact Blaire Gagnon at gagnonblaire@gmail.com.

SOUTH COUNTY MUSEUM

The South County Museum in Narragansett will be holding its Quilt Show September 24-26, 2021. Admission to the show will be \$20 per person, \$10 for members and free for volunteers. Any questions can be forwarded to: Heather@kisilywicz.com.

LIBRARY ITEMS

Thoughts are being shared as to whether we should continue the NBQA Library, or sell, donate or give away the items. Please share any ideas you may have and submit them to President Geri.

THE WINNER OF THE 2021 RAFFLE QUILT



The winner of the 2021 Raffle Quilt is Mia Thompson. Congratulations Mia!!

SHOP HOP

July is Shop Hop month! The Schoolhouse Shop Hop is going on now with four shops participating. The shops are *The Quilted Crow* in Bolton, Massachusetts, *Cobblestone Quilts* in Townsend, Massachusetts, *Red Barn Sewing and Yarn Center* in Merrimac, Massachusetts and *Quilted Threads* in Henniker, New Hampshire. You will need your shop hop passbook which is included in a tote bag and priced at \$8.00. There are a few Tote Bags and Passports still available from Louise Pankiewicz at Island Creations by Louise, 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI. Call or text Louise at [401-323-0255](tel:401-323-0255) to reserve your tote bag.



SUMMER CHALLENGE

The theme is "Something Fishy!" Make a quilt no larger than 30" on a side, minimum 10" on a side, that contains fish or other water creatures, or is based on a view of a body of water. You can use any techniques, but it must be quilted and completed by the September meeting (quilt must have been completed in 2021).

Send a picture to Geri Bergreen before September 9th so she can create a *Power Point* presentation of the entries. We will vote for our favorite, and the top 3 will receive cash prizes. Questions: contact Joan Potter at joanpotter1@cox.net or 401-241-0029.

COMFORT QUILTS **Summer 2021**

Linda and I have been busy delivering quilts to various groups:

Blackstone Valley Advocacy
Elizabeth Buffum Chase House
Operation Standdown
The Veterans Hospital
Hope Valley Fire Department
Healthy Families America at Meeting Street School
(Thank you Gail)
Ronald McDonald House
Kent Visiting Nurses
Mae Organization

Again, a huge, huge thank you to our members who work to make Comfort Quilts a success! We truly appreciate you all!

Our next Comfort Quilt day is scheduled for September 25th. As we are able to meet more and more, a sewing day is tentatively planned. More details to come as we get closer to the day, but please save the date!

As always, if you have any questions please contact Linda or Brenda.

EDUCATION

The education committee's youth workshops using kits designed by the committee are underway. Red Work projects led by Barbara Hartford is the first in a series of kits developed by the committee. A workshop for "Smart Girls" in Warwick was held in June. Plans are being completed for other events for the summer.

Summer, Fall and Christmas projects are being developed. Any members of NBQA are welcomed to help us. Contact Peggy Lane, Chair, drpalane@cox.net or 401-294-6576 for more info or to join us – even if only for one project. Summer is a great time to try something new!

HANG A QUILT DAY!

Saturday, August 7th is "Hang a Quilt Day". Hang a quilt outside your house – on your porch, garage, fence, clothesline, a chair, ladder, anyplace that will showcase your work of art! You can post on social media as well.

NBQA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022



ALL MEMBERS:

- Receive a membership list & membership card which may entitle the member to discounts at local quilt shops.
- Receive five bimonthly newsletters via email & summer edition. * May submit quilts to the biannual quilt show.
- Access to NBQA Facebook page. * Participation in Fabric Challenges and Mystery Quilts.

FULL MEMBERS – GUILD LIMIT 250 FULL MEMBERS	ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May attend all meetings.• May enroll in all workshops and trips.• New full members will receive a name pin to wear to meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May attend 2 meetings per year.• May be wait listed for unfilled workshops and trips.• Will be given a priority position on the waiting list for full membership.

Membership dues are not prorated for a partial year.

Bring this completed form with cash/check to a meeting or mail this completed form with a check made out to NBQA.

(DO NOT MAIL CASH) to: Anne Sabatini, 61 Plaza Street, Cranston, RI 02920

☐ **I AM A CURRENT MEMBER RENEWING MY MEMBERSHIP.**

☐ Full membership \$35.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

☐ Associate Membership \$15.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

☐ **I AM A NEW MEMBER.**

☐ Full membership \$35.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

☐ Associate Membership \$15.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

☐ **MAIL MY MEMBERSHIP LIST TO MY HOME ADDRESS (include an Additional \$3.00 for postage).**

☐ **MAIL A PAPER COPY OF THE NEWSLETTERS TO MY HOME ADDRESS (include an Additional \$20.00 for printing and postage).**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – ESPECIALLY THE EMAIL ADDRESS AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

MEMBER NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS

STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

NAME _____ PHONE _____

RELATIONSHIP TO YOU _____

In what type of programs or speakers would you be interested? _____

MEMBERS: Would you like to help out by working on a committee?

Please check your choice(s) and the appropriate committee chairperson will contact you.

- ☐ Hospitality ☐ Door Prizes ☐ NE Quilt Museum ☐ BOM/Strip Exchange ☐ Programs ☐ Comfort Quilts
☐ Membership ☐ Publicity ☐ DVD Library ☐ Newsletter ☐ Quilt Show ☐ Educational ☐ Historian

Other: _____

To be completed by NBQA.

Amount Rec'd _____ Check# _____ Paper copy of newsletter _____ (\$20.00 fee) Booklet mailed _____ (\$3.00 fee)



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Quilters' Association
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East Greenwich, RI 02818
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THE NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM
18 Shattuck St, Lowell, Massachusetts 01852
phone: 978-452-4207



By car:

Lowell is located 28 miles north of Boston off Interstates 93 and 495 and Route 3. From Route 3 take exit 30B northbound or exit 30A southbound onto I-495 towards Lawrence. From I-495 take exit 35C onto the Lowell Connector. Continue about 2 miles to Exit 5B onto Thorndike St.

At the 4th light, Thorndike Street merges into Dutton Street. Go to the 2nd light and turn right onto Market Street.

The museum's changing exhibitions, Brown Bag Lectures, gallery talks, and special events are updated weekly at nequiltmuseum.org.