

Northampton Modern Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2024, 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Zoom meeting

Diane Wespiser opened the meeting at 12:00pm

Attendance: 41 members and one guest: Dawn (Barbara Stroup's guest from SC). Diane welcomed new members: Graham Carlson, Shelly Ruocco, and Linda Stern. Also in attendance is our speaker: David Owen Hastings.

Diane wished everyone a Happy New Year! February's meeting will be in-person at Rocky Hill CoHousing. Fingers crossed that it isn't snowing. As a Guild, Diane is not aware of us ever cancelling a meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING

Approval of minutes from the December 3, 2023, meeting:

Betsey Wolfson moved to approve the minutes as written, Betty MacLeod seconded. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

Diane reported that we have two folks willing to be co-presidents for the next 2-year term. These are Sarah Schattschneider and Jessa Tower. Sarah has a degree in Computer Science and Jessa just opened a quilt studio, called Hoop & Bee in Easthampton, with a focus on long arm quilting. She works in HR and is a Diversity Training professional.

Vote for new Co-Presidents Sarah Schattschneider and Jessa Tower

Voting is unanimous, 41-0 with no one abstaining, approving Sarah and Jessa to be our new Co-Presidents.

Treasurer's Report: by Barbara Haugen, our outgoing Treasurer.

Our ending balance for 2023 is \$6,507.54

We now have 65 members and have received dues from 40 of our members.

We have received \$200 for 2024 dues so far this month, but we haven't heard from about 20 people. If you don't plan to renew, please let the new Treasurer, Debbie Lovejoy, know.

Please send your dues ASAP. Send a \$50 check made out to the Northampton Modern Quilt Guild. Send it to Debbie Lovejoy, P.O. Box 76, Blandford, MA 01008.

Debbie Lovejoy thanked Barbara Haugen for all the work she has done for the Guild as Treasurer and prior to that, as Secretary. She also thanked Barbara for mentoring her so well. Thank you from all of us Barbara!!

Announcements:

QuiltCon is coming quickly!! It will be held in Raleigh, NC February 22-25, 10 folks from our Guild are going and Martine Vanpee and Barbara Stroup are organizing a breakfast for everyone who is attending. Please notify either of them if you plan to join them for breakfast.

Email Martine: martinevanpee@gmail.com

Or Barbara Stroup: barbara.stroup@comcast.net

Stacy Gilfillan is attending QuiltCon and said she has a hotel room reserved but she no longer needs it. If you are interested email her ASAP: stazzinaro@gmail.com

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Program Committee Report: Betsey Wolfson

Betsey stated that Program Committee members are Betsey Wolfson, Nancy Foote, Martine Vanpee, Barbara Stroup, and joining the committee this year is Diane Wespiser. Welcome Diane!

February 4: 12:00 – 2:00 In-person meeting

At Rocky Hill CoHousing, 100 Black Birch Trail, Northampton, MA

Please carpool if you can. Park before the stop sign and walk to the Community Room.

You can ask Betsy Wolfson for a map if you need one: wolfson110@gmail.com

Program presented by Cathy Racine from Charlton Sewing Center, in Charlton, MA

She will talk about “Needles, Threads and Machine Tension”

See attached flyer

Betsey reminded those who are doing postcards to share with the New Jersey Modern Quilt Guild, please take a photo of your postcard before you send it so you can share it at our March meeting.

QuiltCon dates are February 22-25.

March 3: 12:00 – 2:00, ZOOM meeting

Brenda Gael Smith, “Quilt Composition” lecture and trunk show.

Brenda is from Australia, you can see her work at www.brendagaelsmith.com

April 7: 12:00 – 2:00 In-person meeting

At Rocky Hill CoHousing, 100 Black Birch Trail, Northampton, MA

Program: Michele Sedor on English Paper Piecing

May 5: 12:00 – 2:00 In-person meeting

At Rocky Hill CoHousing, 100 Black Birch Trail, Northampton, MA

TBA

June 2: 12:00 – 2:00 In-person meeting

At Rocky Hill CoHousing, 100 Black Birch Trail, Northampton, MA

Victoria Van der laan: Trunk show and talk on her process as a quilter

<https://victoriavanderlann.com>

PROGRAM

Nancy Foote introduced **David Owen Hastings** who did an hour-long lecture “Minimal Design, Maximum Impact”. David is a designer, artist, and quilter who lives in Sequim, Washington. He focused on his design process and he discussed other quilters he is inspired by including our NMQG member Carson Converse. It was an inspiring talk and presentation!

David asked for the following links to be included in the minutes:

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MODERN QUILT RESOURCES:

Souls Grown Deep Foundation – Gees Bend Quilters:

<https://www.soulsgrowndeeep.org>

Flickr – Fresh Modern Quilts:

<https://www.flickr.com/groups/freshmodernquilts/pool>

Book – Modern Quilts, Designs of the New Century:

<https://www.amazon.com/Modern-Quilts-Designs-New-Century/dp/1617455989>

Modern Quilt Guild – What is modern quilting?:

<https://www.themodernquiltguild.com/2023/04/24/what-is-modern-quilting-2/>

THREE INSPIRING ARTISTS:

Carson Converse:

<https://www.carsonconverse.com/>

Carson Converse at Quilt National:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QrUBJ6tIBTE>

Erick Wolfmeyer:

<http://www.ewolfmeyerquilts.com>

Seven Quilts by Erick Wolfmeyer: gallery walk through

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3DxLVzkFBdk>

Pamela Wiley:

<https://www.laneycontemporary.com/artist/pamela-wiley>

Pamela Wiley with West Elm:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Kz0dDeoZFI>

ONLINE GALLERIES TO VISIT:

QuiltCon 2023 Award Winners:

<https://quiltcon.com/quiltcon-2023-winners/>

International Quilt Museum – Modern Meets Modern Show (look at the virtual gallery):

<https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org/exhibition/modern-meets-modern>

DAVID'S LINKS:

David Owen Hastings – Open Enrollment Workshops & Lectures:

https://davidowenhastings.com/events/list/?tribe_eventcategory%5B0%5D=45

David Owen Hastings – Instagram: please follow me!

<https://www.instagram.com/davidowenhastings/>

Video Preview of David's Classes:

<https://youtu.be/9dFlNNAExjw>

After the program we had time for show and tell. Thank you everyone who shared what they are working on!!

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline White, NMQG Secretary