NORTHAMPTON MODERN QUILT GUILD

Minutes – September 8, 2019

Rocky Hill Cohousing Common House, 100 Black Birch Trail in Florence, MA

Attendance: 16 members and a wonderful infusion of energy from 7 guests!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Raffle Quilt Exhibited

Barbara Farrell, proud winner of our raffle quilt "Elephant Dreams", has entered it in the quilt exhibit at <u>Hancock Shaker Village Country Fair</u> in Pittsfield MA, September 28 & 29.

May 2020 Guild Retreat

To make a reservation call the Fullerton Inn (802) 875-2444.

Charity Quilts for Greenfield Hospital

We have donated several quilts to Baystate Franklin Medical Center in Greenfield. They accept all sizes, from baby to adult. Contact Jeff Rutherford (jeffrutherford@gmail.com) if you are interested in donating one.

Carson Converse Classes

Carson will be teaching three classes this fall: **Experimenting with Thread Colors** (Sunday September 29th, 10am -1pm), **Tips for Straight-line Stitching** (Saturday October 5th, TBD Early Afternoon), & **Designing with Intention** (Saturday November 16th, 10am - 4pm). See attachment for details.

Carson Converse Exhibit

At Salmon Falls Gallery in Shelburne Falls, MA, now through October 27.

Recommended by our members...

- Barbara Stroup: Quilting By the Bay at Ferry Beach Conference Center, Saco ME, Aug 22-28, 2020, recommended by Barbara Stroup
- Betsey Wolfson: Quilting by the Lake, Syracuse NY, July 19-31, 2020
- Julie Bermant: <u>Twin States Modern Quilt Guild</u> in Westminster, VT, an MQG sister guild (about half an hour north of Brattleboro).
- Art in the Orchard at Park Hill Orchard in Easthampton, MA, now through Thanksgiving 2019. Not quilt-related, but very beautiful! Events include Full Moon Poetry Walk this coming Sunday, September 15, 7:30pm.

BUSINESS MEETING

World Quilt New England: MassMutual Center, Springfield, Aug 15-17

Our participation was a great success. We made \$450 on the quilt raffle, spoke with lots of folks about modern quilting, and attracted several of the guests at today's meeting! Mancuso has expressed an interest in having our guild participate next year as well.

Fall "Making Faces" Workshop with Melissa Averinos

Saturday, October 19, 10am-4pm at the Rocky Hill Cohousing Common House. 100 Black Birch Trail, Florence MA. A few spaces still available: \$25/members, \$35/non-members

Quilting Social at Linda Manor

Barbara Farrell spent a lovely hour showing her quilts and chatting with residents.

Planning for Fall 2020 Workshop

Micky Lawler and David Sirota were suggested as possible teachers of our fall 2020 workshop. Barbara Stroup and Lynne McLandsborough will research possibilities.

Guild Officers for 2020

We will need a new president, vice president, and treasurer. Please let us know if you are interested.

Treasurer's Report

33 members and \$4,893 in the bank.

PROGRAM

What to Consider When Pricing Your Quilt

Carson Converse, who has a background in the why's and how's of pricing & markets from her experience in the interior design field, presented a wealth of information on why the price you put on your quilt matters, how the quilt market compares to similar markets, and a bit of the history behind quilt prices, as well considerations and formulas for calculating prices.

She hopes to have sample spread sheets as well as some information from the program to email us soon.

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