

Tacoma Modern Quilt Guild

February Meeting Information

Join us on Thursday, February 15th, 2024

[Environmental Services Building](#)

9850 64th St. W., University Place, WA

Social starts at 6:30 p.m.

General Meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Virtual Meeting connects at 6:45

If you need a zoom link, contact

TacomaMQG@gmail.com



From the Presidents

January went by in a minute and it is encouraging that the days are getting longer. The TacMQG board is working on plans for the year while also working on the technical functionality of the guild. It's busy! It is fun to see all the projects posted on Facebook and Instagram by members. Some of us have been doing a Sew-A-Long called Secret Agent. It is a fun one and we might be able to show a film at the February meeting. Stay tuned.

One of our members, Jen P., donated her Featherweight Singer Sewing Machine to the guild. We raised \$350! It was a hot item and lasted maybe 8 hours on the Market. Thank you Jen, we appreciate you!

The program this month will be our own Lani who will show us her process and tools used to make her special whimsical art quilts. Lani was fortunate to take a class with Freddy Moran, a nationally known quilt artist, which led her down the path of art quilts. We are looking forward to her presentation!



Trisha and Kathy

February Meeting Highlights

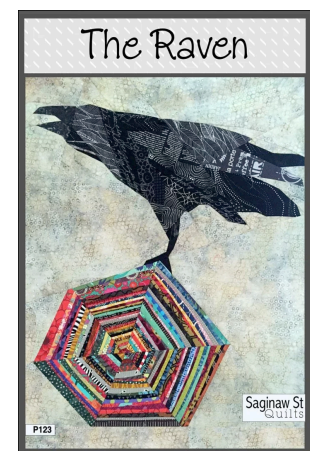
- Check out our January meeting minutes on [our website](#) so that we can vote to accept them.
- We will have a short business part of the meeting.
- Block of the Month: Bring BOM blocks if you have them. Also, LaDuana is looking for a few more improv Circle blocks for from July of 2023. She plans to finish it at the May retreat.
- Wear your handmade name tag to get a raffle ticket!
- Birthday Raffle. Is your birthday this month? If so, we ask you to bring a small item for the "Birthday Raffle Basket". Raffle tickets are 2 for \$1 and
- sold prior to and during the meeting. Funds from this raffle help us pay for our meeting space rental.
- Bring your TMQG challenge block for a chance to win a gift certificate to SewHip. More than one block? You get another chance! Fabric was handed out in January so we are excited to see what you came up with. Block size is 10.5 inch square.
- Program - Art quilt tutorial by Lani.
- Please bring show and tell.

Do you have quilts ready for donation that just need a label? We'll have TMQG labels available. Bring your sewing kit and completed donation quilts and sew your label on then or grab a label and return your community quilt at one of our next meetings.

As always, guests are welcome to come to the in-person meeting or join via Zoom. For those who can't join in-person, please send an email to tacomamqg@gmail.com if you plan to Zoom so we know to look out for you. Be sure to send us your show and tell pictures as well so we can share them on the big screen! We look forward to seeing you and will watch for your login.

Road Trip!

Nannette Huber and Susan Perkins have signed up for [a class](#) at [Just For Fun Quilting](#) in Vancouver. The class will be making The Raven (see photo. [Class details here](#)). If you would like to join in the fun, [register at the website](#) and let either Susan or Nannette know you would like to join them for the drive! Depending on the interest, we may all be able to fit in one car or we may need to caravan down.





Tech & Communications Committee Update

Nannette is looking for someone to help out with meeting / event photography. You do not need to be a professional photographer (have you *seen* the pix Nannette takes?!?). We just ask that you have a camera that will take a decent picture (smart phone cameras are just fine!), a willingness to take event or meeting pictures, and a willingness to occasionally post the photos to social media. If this is something you are interested in helping TMQG with, please contact us at TacomaMQG@gmail.com or speak directly with Nannette. You can call or text her at while she recovers from her knee surgery. She just asks that if this is your first time texting her, to please identify yourself in your text!

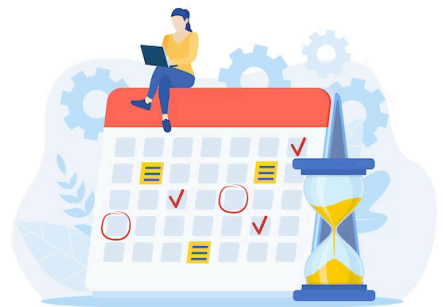
Nannette Huber
VP Technology & Communications

Education/Events Committee

I've been working on potential speakers and events for 2024 with the help of the Education/Events Committee. We have tentatively booked [Timna Tarr](#) in August 2024 to do her O Happy Days or Map Making with Fabrics workshop. Our other opportunities would be [Krista Moser](#), [David Owen Hastings](#), and a beginning free motion quilting class by [Karen Bolan](#) (booking in May or June). All workshops will be presented via Zoom because of total cost including travel. The prices are fairly steep for any workshop that I've looked at so I want to make sure that we schedule things that are meaningful.

Keep ideas for programs coming. We all have different experiences with sewists, so please share them with me and I'll check it out. We are always looking for member talent as well. If you have a skill to share with the group or any ideas for workshops or speakers, please send them to me at tacomamqg@gmail.com.

Sue Perkins
VP Programs



Block of the Month Urgent Request

LaDauna has put out a call for more July 2023 blocks, Improv Circles. These are super fun blocks to make and [She Can Quilt has an excellent tutorial](#). Please bring your Improv Circles blocks - and any other BOM blocks - to our February meeting.



TMQG Events

SEW ALONG SUPPORT GROUP: Join us the 2nd Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm for a virtual sew in. In February, that happens on February 8 and in March, it is the 14th. This is an opportunity for us to socialize and support each other in whatever thing we are sewing on right now. Sewing during the meeting is encouraged but completely optional.

TMQG's Monthly Sew Along Support Group
2nd Thursday of each month, 6:30 to 8:30 pm

If you need a zoom link, contact
TacomaMQG@gmail.com



SHARING OUR STITCHES - IN PERSON SEW-INS:

The next Sew-In will be held at [Sew Hip](#) in Gig Harbor, on Saturday February 17. We will be sewing in their brand new classroom space. There is a limit of 10 attendees (but you can also stop by and say hello if you don't want to sew). Sew Hip will be providing a cutting station, ironing station, and design board. Bring your machine and project. You can also choose to do handwork or cut a project out. Anything goes. Please sign up on our [guild website](#). Cost is \$15.

In March, we will be sewing at the East Tacoma Community Center near Portland Ave and 99th, on Saturday the 16th to celebrate National Quilt Day. We have the space all day. Stay tuned for more details.



TMQG Spring Retreat at the Seabeck Conference Center - NOW FULL! We have started a wait list just in case...

Thursday May 2 - Sunday, May 5, 2024

Our Spring Retreat in 2024 will be held at the Seabeck Conference Center. This is a lovely facility located near Hood Canal. We will be staying in Huckleberry Lodge which features double space rooms with a bathroom. The ground floor is fully accessible. We will be limited to 16 attendees if all rooms are fully booked and can also allow daytimers after we reach our minimum (which is 10). All meals are included in this retreat and the dining hall is located adjacent to the building we will be sewing in. We will be sewing in Juniper lodge. The cost per member is \$340 and includes a shared double occupancy room with a full bath, a separate sewing space in a lodge adjacent to the dining hall, and all meals. Single rooms are available for an additional \$150. You can pay on our [website](#) via PayPal with an additional fee or bring a check to the meeting.

NOTE: Final payments for the retreat will be due by March 31. You can make interim payments along the way if you'd like.

For more information about Seabeck Conference Center, please check out their website: <https://www.seabeck.org/>.



The Huckleberry Lodge



The Juniper Meeting Room (sample layout, we'll customize it!)

Community Events

The [Oregon Quilt Festival](#) is February 15th - 17th at Columbia Hall at the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem, OR.

[Kitsap Quilters](#) is having their annual quilt show, [Color In Motion](#), February 16 - 17 at the Kitsap County Fairgrounds. Featured artists are Debbie Snyder and Nancy Parrott. They plan to have over 200 quilts on display, demonstrations, vendors, shopping boutique, a cafe, and scissor sharpening. Admission is \$10.

[Sew Expo](#) is back! February 29 - March 3 at the Washington State Fair Events Center in Puyallup. Class registration started January 16th.

The [Dupont Historical Society](#) is sponsoring their annual [Cherry Blossom Tea](#) on March 9th, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m at the Eagles Pride Golf Course banquet room. Their theme is "Stitches in time" with quilt historian Phyllis Beaver as their speaker. It should be a fun and interesting afternoon including a display of older and newer quilts.

[Tri-City Quilters' Guild](#) is having their annual [quilt show and merchant mall](#) on March 22 - 23, 2024m 10am - 5pm at the Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick, WA. The

theme this year is “Inspired By Tradition” and they will have two guest artists, [Heather Black](#) and Mark Palmer.

[Quilters Anonymous](#) is having their annual quilt show, [Galaxy of Quilts](#), on March 15-17 at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe. They will have over 400 quilts, a merchant mall, demonstrations, food and beverages. Parking is free but admission is \$10 for adults.

[Clark County Quilters](#) is having their annual quilt show, [Quiltfest Northwest](#), on April 4-6 at the Clarks County Event Center in Ridgefield, WA. Their advertising promises over 300 quilts, a vendor mall, and more! [Krista Moser](#) will be hosting a trunk show on Friday and all-day classes on Saturday.

[The Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show](#) is happening on July 13th in Sisters, OR. Quilt registration begins on February 19th. [The Quilter’s Affair](#) (the Sister’s Outdoor Quilt Show’s week of classes) takes place July 8 - 12. Registration opened on January 10th. Classes go fast!

[Snohomish County Clothing & Textile Advisors](#) is having their [annual fabric sale](#) August 17th from 10am - 3pm at Hope Community Church in Everett. Their flyer promises that most fabric and yarn will be \$2/pound, notions are \$2 a gallon-sized bag, 25-cent patterns, and more!