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President's Letter

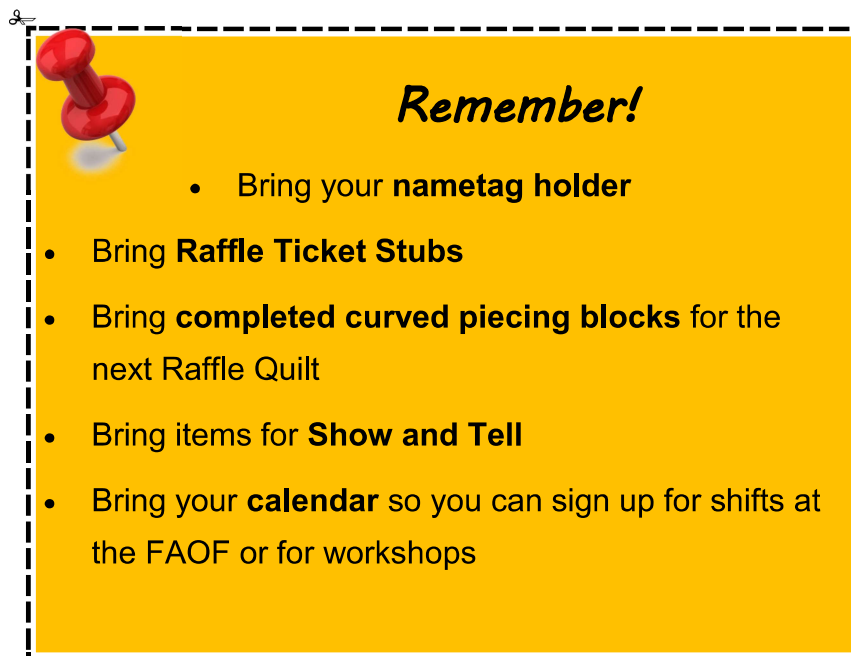
It's time for our lecture and lessons from Jane Sassaman. Several members have been anticipating this for months. We will all enjoy her lecture and enthusiasm on Thursday evening, Oct 6. There are still a few spaces available in the Leaf Sampler workshop, Saturday, Oct 8 so clear your schedule and sign up now.

This year's IQI Challenge will be revealed at our general meeting following the lecture. Come listen to the guidelines. Sign up and start creating to present your entry next June.

It's also almost time for the Fine Art of Fiber! I'm excited to work with quilting friends to share the creations of our members. We made a plan for our collective entry in the Boutique? This is a new way for IQI members to support our programming budget through the FAOF Boutique.. What can you donate to IQI for this table? A description of each item and a price must be listed with the Boutique organizers by October 1.

See you in October!

Patti Carrington



Remember!

- Bring your **nametag holder**
- Bring **Raffle Ticket Stubs**
- Bring **completed curved piecing blocks** for the next Raffle Quilt
- Bring items for **Show and Tell**
- Bring your **calendar** so you can sign up for shifts at the FAOF or for workshops



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NEXT MEETINGS:
**Lutheran Church of the
Ascension, 7 pm.**

Oct 6 Live or via Zoom
Jane Sassaman "Textile
Treasure Garden"
WORKSHOP Oct 8 "Leaf
Sampler"

No General Meeting in
November, join us at the
Fine Art of Fiber, Nov 4-6

Dec 1 Holiday Potluck
In-person Gathering

**NEXT BOARD MEETING
and COMMITTEE CHAIR
MEETING:**

Nov 14, 7:15 pm via Zoom
Note: No Oct meeting

**NEXT COMMUNITY
SERVICE DAY**

Thursday, Oct 20, 9:30 to
4pm at Gloria Dei
Lutheran Church.

FINE ART OF FIBER

Submissions for the 2022 show closed 9/12/22. There are 152 entries for the exhibit from 63 members of the guilds; there are 39 vendors in the Boutique. All Boutique vendors have been accepted pending membership confirmation in the guilds. Acceptance notices for the exhibit will be sent by email the first week of October. Accepted pieces are to be turned in at Regenstein Center, Chicago Botanic Garden between 9 and 11:30 on Thursday, Nov 3; pieces which arrive after that time are not guaranteed display.

Linda Norby is coordinating volunteer signups this year through the SignUp Genius app; she plans to attend the IQI and NSNG general meetings in October to explain how to use the system, and to assist members who wish to sign up at the meetings.

New this year: Set-up counts as 2 volunteer sessions this year. Volunteers work from 9 to 3 with a break for lunch and have the opportunity to shop the Early Bird Sale in the Boutique to help test out the new point of sale system prior to the show opening.

Please turn in Silent Auction items and the appropriate forms to Gretchen Alexander or Chris Deering by the October guild meetings.

Stay tuned for information regarding parking passes and waiver of entrance fees to the Chicago Botanic Garden for show volunteers. The Garden is considering a new system.

Nona Flores



The Viewers' Choice second place piece of 2021 belongs to **Cathy Baker from Illinois Quilter's Incorporated**, and is a reverse applique quilt, started in a class with Ann Marie Horner called Folk Flower Fun.

BONUS CONTENT from your editor—a really nice explanation about making a hanging sleeve: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cbbNcA-Q79Y&t=175s>



2022 RAFFLE QUILT

Our Raffle Quilt “A New Leaf for Retired Ties” is making trips to local quilt guilds in the area. He has been well-received, and has been complimented on the beautiful custom quilting by Sue DiVarco. Have you received your tickets? The Raffle Quilt is the major fund raiser for our guild, enabling us to bring interesting speakers to our meetings. If you haven’t already, see Sue Sweeney at the September meeting to pick up your tickets. It is hoped that each member is responsible for \$25.00 or 30 tickets.

Winter Retreat Registrations are Open!!

“The 2023 Quilt In: January 27-29”

Join us as we once again gather for another great weekend of quilting, fun, sharing new ideas, good food that we did not have to cook, a traditional “freebie” table and much much more. We’ll meet at the Crowne Plaza, Milwaukee Ave., Northbrook. Cost is \$295 for a shared room; \$395 for a single; includes Friday dinner, 3 meals on Saturday and a Sunday brunch. Laurie Gorton, Barb Cushing and Jan Aaron, the event’s committee chairs, will each lead a mini workshop during the day on Saturday. Laurie’s focuses on using two men’s ties to make a wine bottle carrier. Barb’s focuses on sewing with clear plastic material to make a tool bag. Jan will demonstrate and explain Susan K. Cleveland’s method for enhancing quilts with piping.

Preregistration is required; the form is included in this Oak Leaf. Attendance is limited to 30; IQI members get first preference.

Your Quilt In Committee

FEEDBACK REQUESTED

Thursday, Jan 5, 2023, Ann Brauer will present “40 Years of Quiltmaking”. Iva Freeman is asking for some feedback to communicate with Ann. Would you prefer she focus on her body of work, her evolution as a business woman or on the organization and layout of her studio?



Let Iva know your thoughts through info@illinoisquilters.com

PROGRAMS: LECTURES

Join us for our monthly meeting on Thursday, October 6. We will meet **in-person** at Lutheran Church of the Ascension, 460 Sunset Ridge Road, Northfield. Doors open at 6:30, and the presentation will begin at 7:00. The meeting will end by 9:00.



“Textile Treasure Garden,” the lecture at the October meeting, is a glimpse into Jane Sassaman’s inspirations and process of designing fabric, from dreaming to drawing to coloring and cutting. This is a colorful journey through the creative process. Jane will show many quilts and accessories made with her FreeSpirit fabrics. Everyone will enjoy seeing how to use these contemporary prints to make dramatic quilts.

After a varied career in the design world, **Jane Sassaman** began to quilt in 1980, and she is known today as a dedicated quilt artist and fabric designer. Her art quilts have been shown in many national and international exhibits and she has won numerous awards. She has also written books and contributed articles to various publications.

Other programs to look forward to this year:

Thursday, January 5, 2023 - Ann Brauer (Zoom Presentation only)
“40 Years of Quiltmaking”

Thursday, February 2, 2023 - Judy Zoelzer Levine
“Sheer Delight”

Thursday, March 2, 2023 - Maggie Weiss
“Quilting Matters: Raising Awareness With Textile Art”

Thursday, April 13, 2023 - Connie Martin
“Pre-Civil War Quilts: Secret Codes to Freedom on the Underground Railroad”

Thursday, May 4, 2023 - Cindy Grisdela
“Anatomy of an Improv Quilt”

2022—2023 WORKSHOP CALENDAR

Jane Sassaman Workshop Coming

Leaf Sampler Workshop with Jane Sassaman
Saturday, October 8, 9:00-3:00
Sign up now; there are only a couple of spots left.

Jane will lead you in making this beautiful sampler using repeated leaf applique but changing the finishing embroidery stitches of each leaf, using your machine stitches. The workshop is at Lutheran Church of the Ascension. Sign up now on the website, www.illinoisquilters.com, or use the attached registration form.

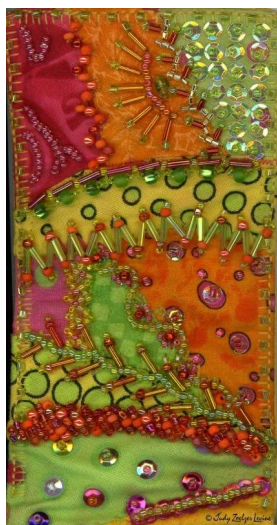
You can also sign up (online or using the attached registration form) for other exciting workshops to expand your quilting skills. Here's what is planned for the year:



“Making Memories - T-Shirt Quilt Workshop” with Alison Selivon

Saturday, January 7, 2023
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

T-Shirt quilts make great gifts for many occasions. During this workshop, **participants will cut and prepare shirts for quilting**. We will discuss best practices and techniques working with stretch knits and alternative quilting fabrics. Participants will construct a 6 to 12 (12 max shirts) quilt top from t-shirts.



“Bead It” with Judy Zoelzer Levine

Friday, February 3, 2023
1:00 - 4:00 PM

Learn solid beading, string beading, scatter beading and quilting with beads and, if time permits, a few other tricks. In just a few hours you'll be adding pizzazz to your quilts and clothing.



“Silks, Satins and Other Fun Stuff” with Judy Zoelzer Levine
Saturday, February 4, 2023

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

You will create a sampler using non-traditional quilting fabrics, those “other” fabrics you have always loved. Learn the special tricks to make each of these fabrics easy and fun to work with. Techniques are appropriate for machine and handwork.



“About Face” with Maggie Weiss
Saturday, March 4, 2023

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Explore Monoprinting, Fusing and Machine

Reverse Appliqué for creating a variety of faces in fabric with distinct tactile and visual appeal. Inspiration might be a portrait, mask, animal or creating an alter ego. Drawing is not necessary! Some students may prefer to bring in faces from magazines or photocopies for reference. In-class work will yield inspiration for blocks or a series from our sample of techniques.



“Walk Around the Block: Walking Foot Quilting” with Carol Wilhoit

Saturday, April 15, 2023

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Walking foot quilting can be an easy and attractive way to quilt your projects. Some of the walking foot techniques you

will learn include: how to stitch straight lines without marking your quilt, circular spiral quilting, quilting curved designs using freezer paper templates, joining lines of stitching invisibly, matchstick quilting, radiating lines, square spirals, echoed curves and using your piecing design to quilt grid designs with little or no marking. The class also covers needles, thread, batting, basting your quilt, and setting up your machine .



“Artful Improv” with Cindy Grisdela

(Above is Cindy’s improv quilt, made with techniques used in this class.)

Friday 9:00 - 4:00 and Saturday 9:00 - 12:00

May 5-6, 2023

Learn to create your own original quilts with no pattern using improvisational piecing techniques. Students will learn to let go of the “rules” and piece blocks in an intuitive, free form fashion and may wish to begin with blocks or other elements left over from previous projects. We will explore contemporary Improv log cabin style blocks, Improv Curves, and Angled Stripes, plus Insets and Curved Strips. We will discuss color choices and using simple design principles to create an original dynamic composition.



“Curves and Stripes” with Cindy Grisdela

Saturday, May 6, 2023

1:00 - 4:00 PM

Learn to piece curves and stripes with no pins and no templates.

Sign up for any (or all) of these on the Workshop Registration form in this newsletter

With Sympathy

Meg Pyterek lost her husband of 49 years on Friday,
September 9th. He slipped away peacefully after a
summer of health challenges. Their family misses him
a great deal.

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IN OTHER NEWS

Quilting By the Lake presented by
Southport Quilters Guild
at the Anderson Art Center
6603 3rd Ave, Kenosha, WI 53143
Tuesday - Sunday, 1-4 pm through Oct
16, 2022.
Admission is free.
Plan a road trip with friends and enjoy
the art!



Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Northfield
460 Sunset Ridge Road (at Willow Road)



Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Northbrook
1133 Pfingsten Road (at Cherry Lane)



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2022-2023

Membership Directory Deadline: September 10, 2022
-- Directory listing is essential for Fine Art of Fiber participation --

Please PRINT clearly.

Today's date _____

Name (as you want it on name badge and directory) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Preferred phone: (_____) _____ secondary phone: (_____) _____

E-mail address _____

The Oak Leaf and IQI information are sent via email. ____ Check here if you do not want your email address listed in the directory.

**NOTE: for Oak Leaf via regular mail, add \$10.00 below.*

Please indicate whether you are: ____ NEW to IQI ____ renewing ____ returning after absence

** How did you learn of IQI (friend, online search, etc.)? _____

Our annual raffle quilt and the Fine Art of Fiber Show provide essential income to IQI.

In addition to membership fees and volunteer service hours, each member of IQI is encouraged to buy or sell \$25 worth of raffle tickets each year.

FEES: _____ \$60.00 annual Membership Dues
_____ \$25 Raffle Quilt tickets
_____ \$10.00 optional Oak Leaf printing and mailing fee - Emailed Oak Leaf is free!
_____ donation for IQI Library Fund
_____ donation for supplies for IQI Community Service
_____ donation to general fund

Total \$ _____

Payment options: may be paid by cash, check or Zelle – send payment to IllinoisQuiltersinc.com
____ PayPal – through website www.illinoisquilters.com.

____ Cash

____ Check # _____

Future Programs and Workshops

Please offer a few suggestions of speakers or workshops which you would like to enjoy with IQI.

IQI is a volunteer organization and operates effectively only with everyone's help. Four hours of service per year is a suggested share. Please choose activity/area(s) where you might like to help:

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> board (I would be willing to serve) | <input type="checkbox"/> potluck help, Dec. &/or June mtg. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fine Art of Fiber show/boutique | <input type="checkbox"/> challenge project for members |
| <input type="checkbox"/> help at library table at meetings | <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend retreat planning (fall or winter) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> help at membership table at meetings | <input type="checkbox"/> raffle quilt (help design/make for 2023) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> host at a workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> raffle quilt (help show at other guilds) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> nominating committee for next board | <input type="checkbox"/> service projects - in a group or at home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> webpage design and maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> photographer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> social media/Zoom manager | <input type="checkbox"/> new member mentor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> help set up/take down tables/chairs at monthly meeting | |

Demonstrations / Miniworkshops

From time to time we have a program sharing the skills and wisdom of our members. If you would like to be an instructor at such a meeting, please describe what you would like to share:

☐ Please send me a form for a Professional Services listing in our Membership Directory.

2022-23 IQI Workshop and Event Registration Form

Name: _____ Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Address (if non-member): _____

Day/Date	Teacher: Event Title	Member	Non-member	Kit Fee
Sat. 9am-3pm 10/8/2022 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Jane Sassaman: Leaf Sampler	\$60	\$75	TBD
Sat. 9am-4pm 1/7/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Alison Selivon: Making Memories: T-shirt Quilt	\$50	\$60	TBD
Friday 1-4pm. 2/3/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Judy Zoelzer Levine: Bead It	\$50	\$60	TBD
Sat. 9am-4pm 2/4/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Judy Zoelzer Levine: Silks, Satins and Other Fun Stuff	\$50	\$60	TBD
Sat. 9am-4pm 3/4/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Maggie Weiss: About Face	\$60	\$75	TBD
Sat. 9am-4pm 4/15/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Carol Wilhoit: Around the Block: Walking Foot Quilting	\$50	\$60	TBD
Fri.9-4 & Sat.9-12 5/5-6/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Cindy Grisdela: Artful Improv	\$90	\$100	TBD
Saturday 1-4pm. 5/6/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Cindy Grisdela: Curves and Stripes	\$50	\$60	TBD
Fri. & Sat. 5/5-6/2023 <small>Live at Ascension</small>	Cindy Grisdela: BOTH workshops	\$120	\$130	TBD

Supply lists are available at in-person meetings (if held), and at <https://illinoisQuilters.com/events>.

Please make checks payable to "Illinois Quilters, Inc."

Sign up on our website via Zelle or PayPal, or mail this form with a check to the Workshop Registrar (non-members please mail to: IQI, P.O. Box 39, Wilmette IL 60091-0039).

Refunds are available up to 30 days in advance, minus a \$5 handling fee. Requests for refunds must be in writing or confirmed email and submitted to the Workshop Coordinator.

2022-23 Workshop Coordinator: Cynthia Karabush, 2018 W. Greenleaf Ave. #2F, Chicago IL 60645

QUILT-IN REGISTRATION

IQI's annual Quilt In is January 27-29, 2023, at Crowne Plaza, 2875 N. Milwaukee Ave, Northbrook, IL. Mark it on your calendar now and send in your registration form and deposit. Not been? Join us for a weekend devoted to fabric and the art of quilting. Spend your time sewing and chatting without food planning or preparation. The hotel will provide a light dinner Friday night, three meals Saturday and a buffet brunch on Sunday morning. Go to bed early or stay up sewing all night. Each of us will have a 6-foot table to use and leave throughout the weekend. Cutting and ironing stations are shared and conveniently located. Start a new project, focus on a UFO or think ahead and finish a piece for the 2023 Fine Art of Fiber.

Three mini-workshops will be offered on Saturday during the day.

1) Men's Tie Wine Bottle Carrier, Laurie Gorton instructor uses two men's ties for a clever and "cute" wine bottle carrier.

2) Clear Front Zippered tool bag, Barb Cushing instructor brings her tips and tricks on working with clear materials that allow one to see bag contents.

3) Piping & Binding—the Susan K Cleveland method, Jan Aaron will show the how-tos of adding another element to your quilt finishes.

Registration fees are \$295 (double occupancy, shared room) and \$395 (single occupancy). Return your registration form with a \$165 deposit. The balance will be due in December 15, 2022. Direct questions to the 2023 Quilt In Committee: Jan Aaron, Laurie Gorton and Barb Cushing. Registrations are Open! Registration Deadline: December 15, 2022.

_____ Today's date

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail address _____

The 2023 Quilt In: January 27-29, 2023, Crowne Plaza Chicago Northbrook, 2875 N. Milwaukee Ave, Northbrook, IL. Registration fees are \$295 for double occupancy (shared room) and \$395 for single occupancy.

Please indicate your preferences: Single (private room) Double (shared room) (circle your preference) I would like to share my room with _____

I have the following menu restrictions: _____

I am submitting my registration with a \$165 deposit / full payment (please circle one) Total \$ _____

paid by cash _____ check # _____ Zelle _____ ; mail form to Jan Aaron, 400 E. Randolph St., Apt.

1425, Chicago, IL 60601. Please address questions to our phone numbers in the IQI directory or email Jan at quilterjan1452@gmail.com.

Your Quilt In Committee, Jan Aaron, Barb Cushing and Laurie Gorton