

Farmington Valley Quilt Guild 2022-2023 Programs

Please contact Program Co-Chairs Kathi Maglia (kmmaglia@comcast.net) or Ellyn Mansfield (elhmansfield@gmail.com) with any questions or suggestions for speakers.

Programs Fall Lineup:

November 16 - Lady Blue Quilt Studio- Susan Deshensky - (ladybluequilts.com)

Susan is the only Judy Niemeyer Quiltworx Certified Instructor in the CT/NY/NJ/PA Metropolitan area. She teaches at quilt shops (like Quilted Ewe, Sew Inspired, and Cotton Candy Fabrics), quilt guilds and retreats. She has a strong following in our local area. Susan is also a pattern designer. Several of her designs have been published in magazines such as Quiltmaker and McCall's Quilting to name a few. Her quilts have won several awards, including 3rd place at Paducah and 1st place at MQX New England.

Where Color and Design Meet Amazing! Sue will present her Quiltworx journey and showcase over twenty quilts.

January 18 - Members Learning from Members

Whether you are new to quilting or have been quilting for years, you will not want to miss January's program.

Based on speed dating, (don't know what that is?; now you have to attend!). we will be learning and sharing strategies, vocabulary and knowledge as it relates to quilting. Come and see what Farmington Valley quilters have to offer each other. See you there.

March 15 & 16 - Elizabeth Sylvan- www.sylvanquilts.com

Trunk Show: Exploring Nature and Light through Quilting:

Elizabeth will showcase small to medium size art quilts inspired by her travels and love of the wilderness. This talk chronicles her history as a quilter and gives a summary of her design techniques.

Recycled Garden/Flower Quilt Workshop: March 16

Create a scrappy collage background with raw edge applique flowers on top. Iris pattern provided or Elizabeth will help you design a pattern for the flower of your choice.

April 19 - Vivian Lazich - Trends, Joys, Issues and Experiences of Quilt Shop Ownership

Viv, from the local Sew Inspired shop will share her insights and experience with owning and operating a quilt shop. Get a behind the scenes look at what is involved.

May 17 & 18 - Kathie Beltz - www.KathieBeltz.com

Easy Color for Quilters- Confused by the color wheel? Do you know how to use the color wheel to choose colors for your quilts? This lecture breaks down all the technical color terms into easy, everyday English so that any quilter can understand them. Then those terms are related directly to quilts during the trunk show. Once you understand the basics, you can apply them to your quilts and watch them sparkle!

Rangely Star Wall Quilt Workshop – May 18- 6 hour class

This project received its name because the streamlined construction of the star points was conceived while Deb Tucker was working at a quilt retreat in Rangeley, Maine. The wall quilt features a pieced 17" central star block surrounded by a cluster of 14 smaller stars in the borders. Using Deb's techniques and tools, it becomes a simple design to construct, but it looks so much more difficult. Size: 32" x 42"

The **Tucker Trimmer 1** and **Quilter's Magic Wand** are required for this pattern. These tools are available from the instructor during class or are available at your local quilt shop.