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# Riverwalk Quilters Guild



## President's Message

New Year greetings! I hope your holidays were enjoyable and restful, and that you are refreshed and looking forward to a great '22. Our ship has already sailed halfway through our guild's yearlong voyage!

The holidays tend to throw us off our regular routines; weekends and weekdays seem to blend. Whatever form of calendar or reminder you use, make a note to join us for another wonderful program on January 11 with Sujata Shah.

At times I hear members say they just plain forget about our guild meetings, so why not call or email friends in your circles and invite them to mark their calendars and join us. If you are comfortable gathering with others, then invite your guild friend(s) to join you at your home to watch together.

All members will receive a link to our Zoom meeting in the guild newsletter, and again via email a few days before the meeting. Click and you're there!

Our guild has remained strong through this last year or so. Many of us miss meeting in person; the socializing and important connecting face to face before meetings cannot be replicated online, but let's focus on what we can do, and that's connecting as one solid group every month. And as Margaret Z has so aptly pointed out, clicking a mouse is much easier than scraping ice off your car!

Wishing you all clear sailing and splendid quilting adventures in '22.

*Loraine*

### Zoom Link for January 11, 2022

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85639215861?pwd=RWt0THRzWFB2MkxtOU9KKzNEYXk4dz09>

### Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting

Meeting ID: 856 3921 5861

Passcode: 369011

## Philanthropy Report

Philanthropy has been busy during the month of December:

We distributed 47 burp cloths and 1 receiving blanket to Share our Spare.

28 Christmas stockings and 40 pillowcases went to Sharing Connection.

Ronald McDonald House received 11 pillowcases, 1 Christmas stocking and 9 quilts.

7 quilts went to Hancock of Paducah for the tornado victims in Kentucky.

Philanthropy received 38 Christmas stockings, 45 pillowcases, 1 quilt top and 13 complete quilts from guild members.

13 members contributed to donating time, material, quilts, etc.

We are currently accepting hand warmers, quilts and pillowcases. Philanthropy has kits for quilt tops and hand warmers. We thank our guild members for their time, energy, and materials.

**There will be a temporary change in contact person for philanthropy. From January 4<sup>th</sup> until March 3<sup>rd</sup>, please contact Carol Rubeck for drop off of philanthropy donations. Contact information is in the riverwalk directory.**

If anyone has burp cloths or receiving blankets for Share Our Spare, please contact Rosemary Sanza. Her Information is in the Riverwalk directory.

Terri Hayes and Judy Long  
Philanthropy Committee

## Special Events

### Complete Your UFOs!

Many of us have a lot of UFOs, while some of us have just a few. Sometimes, a little motivation can help propel us across the finish line.

Send a photo of a UFO that you've finished to me by January 10. At the guild meeting, I'll show the photos of completed UFOs and draw the name of a winner for the month. The monthly winner will receive a Cash and Carry small-zippered wallet that I've completed from my collection of UFOs. Monthly winners will be selected again in February and March. In March, when we have our long-delayed guild holiday party, a name will be drawn from all the monthly submissions, and the winner will receive a \$50 gift card for a local quilt shop.

Send your photo to the following email address and please be sure that you don't add an s after event in the address: [rggSpecialevent@gmail.com](mailto:rggSpecialevent@gmail.com)

Carol Wilhoit



## Spotlight on January 11, 2022

Sujata Shah, California



### "The Root Connection"

<https://therootconnection.blogspot.com/p/blog-page.html>

Sujata is a graphic designer with a calligraphy major and is originally from Mumbai, India. She seeks to capture the individuality of varied makers, using techniques of hand-turned applique and piecing. She draws inspiration more recently from the Gee's Bend quilters and Godharis from India. However, her award-winning quilts are influenced by several cultures and are included in a recently published book. You can find her in a blog, on Instagram and YouTube.



## February 8, 2022 Valerie Goodwin, Florida



### "Mapping Narratives Using Fabric, Paint and Thread"

<https://www.valeriegoodwinart.com>

Valerie teaches architectural design and is also a mixed media quilter. She is intrigued by aerial views of landscapes and cities, and her quilts are realistic and evolving to be abstract as well. Imaginary landscapes are also explored. Valerie has many art quilts in private collections. She is offering an on demand workshop for a quilted map of a personal place, and her book is quite inspiring. You can find her and her award-winning quilts on Instagram and YouTube.



## Programs Remaining for Guild Year February 2022-June 2022

All speaker presentations through February 2022 will be via Zoom. A meeting invitation will be sent out to all Members the weekend before the meeting.

February 8, 2022. Zoom, Valerie Goodwin from Florida  
“Mapping Narratives using Fabric, Paint and  
Thread” <https://www.valeriegoodwinart.com>

March 8, 2022, Annual Party Meeting will be in person. More to come!

April 12, 2022, Philanthropy evening sew-in. Meeting will be in person. More to come!

May 10, 2022 Sarah Nishiura from Chicago - our 1st in-person speaker! “Sarah Nishiura: Trunk Show” <https://www.sarahnishiura.com>

June 14, 2022 Schoolhouse Meeting will be in person. More to come!

Important: Some lectures may look the same on paper, but each presenter is unique in their approach, artistic and teaching style, tips, tricks, and space- saving approaches. Learn something whatever your style, ability level and interest to apply to your own projects. Don't miss the opportunity to learn from some recognized talents coming to your own backyard.

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Joan Der  
[joan.der7@gmail.com](mailto:joan.der7@gmail.com)

## Social Media

All members are encouraged to try a bit of sharing through social media this month.

Send me pictures of your cold weather finishes. The members on Social Media love to share this way!

Our IG (Instagram) is  
[@naperriverwalkquilts](https://www.instagram.com/naperriverwalkquilts).

Share your own work or repost one of your favorite professional quilters. It's very easy once you do it a few times. I will also take emails with your pictures and a short explanation to use as a description.

Need a refresher: refer to last month's Newsletter for instructions on how to post a photo on Instagram.

Margaret Donahue  
[RQGSocialMedia@gmail.com](mailto:RQGSocialMedia@gmail.com)

## Hospitality

Since January is typically a month where we start counting calories or WW points, I thought I'd share a low calorie, high protein snack that is one of my favorites.

Mix two tablespoons of PB2 (powdered peanut butter) with a little water until it is creamy.

Mix this with a single serve container of low-fat Greek yogurt.

Cut up an apple in bite size pieces and stir in with the yogurt mixture.

It's a very satisfying breakfast or snack. Next month I'm sure I will be back to sharing the high fat, high calorie recipes!

Leesa Jump

## Membership

Know someone that wants to join Riverwalk Quilters. As of January they can do so for a pro-rated fee of \$20.00 January -June 2022. Have them contact Sue Damitz at RQGMembership@gmail.com.

## Library News

Just a quick reminder that your guild library is available at your fingertips:

[View](#) our database in the warmth of your home and in your PJ's! LibraryThing allows you to search or sort by title, author or subject from our library of over 350 books!

Email us at [rgglibrarian@gmail.com](mailto:rgglibrarian@gmail.com) with your selection and we will have the books available for porch pickup.



In a recent search through the Naperville Library magazines online on Overdrive, <https://naperville.overdrive.com/library/magazines>, I found a number of quilting magazines (and other crafts). In the summer issue of Quilting Arts, there is an article by **Maria Shell**, our recent speaker from Alaska, detailing her braided curves technique. If you own this issue or borrow it from the library, don't miss the article by Catherine Redford, one of our members, also in this issue.

If you have any questions about accessing the RQG Library through LibraryThing, please contact Lynn Hamilton and Linda Kurcz



## "Better Together!" March 8, 2022

Let's celebrate the return to meeting in person with a party!

Plan to wear your funniest or most unique face mask. I know you all are creative!

There will be no potluck this time. Instead, there will be individually packaged snacks. And we will follow the current restaurant routine of masks off to eat, masks on to walk around.

Activities planned include:

- Rummage sale - Save your surplus to donate and bring your money to buy.
- Show and Tell - Let's see your quilts made during these crazy months in their full size in person.
- Food pantry donations

**New Location: Knox Presbyterian Church, 1105 Catalpa Lane, Naperville. This is literally just a few blocks down the street from Grace United Methodist where we have met in the past.**

So, RQG members, be sure to save the date for good times at the "Better Together" party on March 8, 2022!

If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help with the party you can contact me.

Amy Shuter, at [rqgholiday@gmail.com](mailto:rqgholiday@gmail.com)

## RQG Rummage Sale

Start the new year with a cleaned up, pared down sewing room. This is a great time to start deciding which of your items you might actually use in the future. You know you have acquired way too much quilting stuff... Donate the excess to Riverwalk. You will be happy you did! As the saying goes, one woman's trash is another's treasure. A fun night for all!

All items are donated to the guild, and all proceeds of the sale benefit the Riverwalk Quilters Guild.

We accept books, magazines, and patterns. The sale price for all books is \$3.00; magazines \$.50; patterns \$1.00. You don't need to mark each item. We will have signs.

Group similar items such as thread or notions in a clear plastic bag. No loose straight pins. We take scissors, knitting stuff, lace, fancy fabrics, all kinds of thread and needlework tools, etc. If it pertains to sewing or quilting or knitting, etc., we will accept it. You can donate unfinished kits, finished tops, antique quilts, and so on. I have not yet decided how to price fabric. Will let you know next month.

All items will be "full price" until 8 pm. At that time, they are cut to half price. The items remaining at the end of the evening will be donated to a local charity. Bring a shopping bag or two for yourself. Bring cash or a check. No credit cards accepted.

Any suggestions, questions, or ideas for the sale, please contact me.

Nancy Sturgeon.

## OUTSIDE EVENTS OF INTEREST

### **Catherine Redford on Quilting Arts TV**

Check your TV provider for Quilting Arts TV. Our own guild member Catherine Redford was recently on show #2812.

You also can visit [quiltingartstv.com](http://quiltingartstv.com) for more episodes, and fun projects with Catherine.

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### **2022 Declutter Challenge by Karen Brown of Just Get It Done Quilts:**

Everyone can sign up for this. Good start for the new year. Good start in the search for items for the RQG rummage sale!

<https://www.justgetitdonequilts.com>

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### **NILAG—The Northern Illinois Longarm Guild**

We meet on the first Saturday of every other month at 9:30 a.m. beginning February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Our dues are \$25 annually. To read more about our programs and to join the Guild, go to [nilag.org](http://nilag.org).

## 2021-2022 RQG EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE POSITIONS

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