



Spirited Quilters Guild

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*“Beautiful things
come together
one stitch at a
time”*

Hi y'all,

I am so happy to serve as your next president. **Thank you to last year's board for all of their hard work and dedication.**

This meeting is focused on planning for the 2026-2027 year and getting our budget approved. Your past and present board members are meeting this week to finalize the budget, and we are also working with our current chairs to ensure their requests and needs are met.

We still need help with the membership table and programs.

Please hold all donations at this time, as our Marketplace volunteers are currently overwhelmed.

We'll also be celebrating our 20th anniversary with cake, so be sure to save room for dessert!

Happy quilting,

Michele

2026 Guild Calendar

Meeting	Guest/Teacher	Topic
May 26	Business Meeting	Turning Twenty Celebration
June 20 (6 hours)	Linda Hahn	New York Beauty Workshop
June 30	Clare	Progress over Perfection
July 28	Rosie Crockett	
August 25 and 29	Linda Demaris and Nancy Routhg	Quilted Jacket Program and Workshop

From the Membership Committee:

Your membership dues of \$48.00 are now due for the 2026/2027 guild year. Payment can be made at the Membership table at our May meeting. Payment should be cash or check (check made payable to Spirited Quilters Guild.)

Projects Half Done Program



Our Projects Half Done (PHDs) program for this year is well underway, and many guild members are already making good progress. It's not too late to start! You can sign up at our monthly meeting. If you have questions, contact Melanie Long.

The winner of last month's raffle was **Becky Windle**. Congratulations!



Spirited Quilters Quilt Guild - 20th Anniversary Celebration!



Join us at our **May business meeting** as we celebrate **20 wonderful years** of creativity, friendship, and quilting together!

Let's make it extra special—show your guild spirit by wearing:



Your **20th Anniversary t-shirt**



A **previous guild t-shirt**



Or, if you don't have one, come dressed in **white, gray, or blue**

If you have a **Turning Twenty quilt**, bring it for the celebration for show and share.

June Workshop:

Workshop kit is \$30 - which Linda will collect at class. The kit includes foundation paper, handout, templates, and re-useable stencil.

You don't have to cut EVERYTHING.....you will be working on a set of 4 NYB blocks that make a "full sun."

Cost of workshop is \$50, plus \$30 Kit. Kit fee is payable to Linda at the workshop.

Guyon Grey

Workshop supply list

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Please choose which version you wish to make and select your fabrics accordingly. In class, we will work on making several New York Beauty blocks and several alternate blocks.

GENERAL SUPPLIES

Your machine (if not provided by the host venue), new needle, extension cord and a 1/4" foot with **NO** flange. Neutral color thread on top and in the bobbin.

Rotary cutter with a sharp blade, personal size cutting mat

9-1/2" square ruler (I suggest Omnigrd or Creative Grids)

Pigma Brush tip or Chisel tip pen

Scissors, pins, small trash bag, baggie for scraps to make optional miniature version

Caramels or Snickerdoodles might be nice!

FABRICS:

Pre-Cut per the cutting chart on page (2) and bagged so that you can easily identify the pieces.

For class purposes you don't need to bring fabrics for the whole quilt unless you would like to have your choices with you. We will not get to the borders in class.

Minimum needed for class would be:

Grey - (6) 9" squares and 5-6 strips in various increments

Pie Shape colors - (3) sets of (4) 4-1/2" squares of same color

Spires - (Single color—(60) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles

OR - (Multi color - (3) sets of (20) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles of the same color

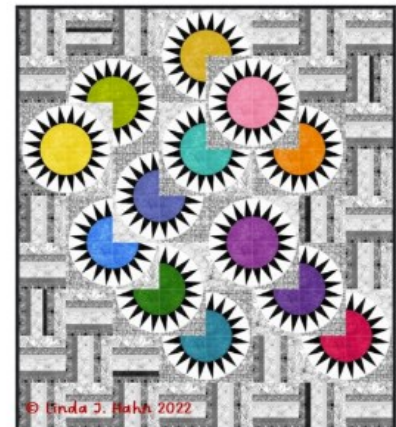
White - (72) 3" x 4" rectangles

See the cutting chart on page 2 of this supply list!!!

I will have a limited number of Pigma brush pens and 9-1/2" rulers in class for optional purchase—as well as additional packs of foundation paper, miniature kits and books at a great bundle price.



This is the "with border" version/multi color spires and pie shapes.



This is the "without border" version/one color spires/multi color pies

QUESTIONS?

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Fabric	WITHOUT BORDER		WITH BORDER		
	Yardage	Pre-cutting	Yardage	Pre-Cutting	
White	2 & 1/4 yards	(252) 3" x 4" rectangles	2 & 1/2 yards	(288) 3" X 4" rectangles	
All one color spires Sample uses Black	1 & 1/2 yards	(210) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles	1 & 5/8 yards	(240) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles	Spires all one color/Multi color Pie
Different color pie shape	1/8 yard of 13 different fabrics	(3) sets of (4) 4-1/2" squares (10) sets of (3) 4-1/2" squares	1/8 yard of 15 different fabrics	(3) sets of (4) 4-1/2" squares (12) sets of (3) 4-1/2" squares	
Different colors	1/8 yard of 13 different fabrics	(3) sets of (4) 4-1/2" squares (3) sets of (20) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles (10) sets of (3) 4-1/2" squares (10) sets of (15) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles	1/8 yard of 15 different fabrics	(3) sets of (4) 4-1/2" squares (3) sets of (20) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles (12) sets of (3) 4-1/2" squares (12) sets of (15) 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" rectangles	Multi color Pie & Spires
Black border			3/8 yard	(6) 2" x WOF strips	
Grey border			1 & 1/4 yards	(6) 6-1/2" x WOF strips	
Alternate blocks Asst. small print greys, black & whites	Minimum of 15-16 "long" quarters (9" x WOF) or use your scraps***	From each 1/4 yard cut (2) 9" squares FIRST. Pin together and set aside. From remainder of strip cut a variety of different strip sizes: 1-1/4", 1-1/2", 2" and 2-1/4". These will be randomly selected and pieced together for alternate blocks.			
Binding	Your Choice of fabric	1/2 yard - your choice of fabric			

***You need a total of (43) 9" squares for No Border version and (49) for the With Border version.** You will get (2) background pieces from each 9" square**

Arc Foundations needed (included in the class kit)

43 No Border version 49 With Border version

May Tip of the Month

Binding Tips from Linda DeMaris:

Robert Kaufman Quilting Calculator: <https://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting-calculators/>. I use this app on my phone all the time - great to calculate how much backing, batting, and this case binding fabric to purchase and for binding how many strips to cut.+

Quilt Binding Tutorial with Jenny Doan of Missouri Star. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvCWpxBRs20&t=662s>. I like her tutorial, but here are some tips I use that may be different than her approach (especially for beginners):

- When making the binding strips, I mark with an erasable fabric pen or chalk pencil the stitching lines where the strip ends overlap. I also make sure to line up my strips perpendicular to each other on a cutting mat letting the lines help with this step.
- After cutting $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the stitching line on each join, I press the seams open and then press the full strip wrong sides together. Jenny recommends pressing first and this is also a great tip especially when working with solid fabrics or batiks where there is not a wrong or right side.
- ✦ Her tutorial is showing sewing front to back and she prefers hand stitching the binding to the back. I also like to do front to back, but I machine stitch from front to back by sewing in the ditch using a blind hem presser foot. I move my needle over to the far left so the guide which is lined up with the binding "ditch" the needle will follow this and stitch in the ditch.
- ✦ At the end of connecting the 2 ends of the binding strip on the quilt, she eyeballs things too much. I recommend measuring either with a ruler or a small piece of the bind strip you are not using. I also press this seam open.
- ✦ She didn't show this part as she went to hand binding. I recommend pressing the binding strip from the front first especially in the corners. Then I turn the quilt over and using fabric glue stick (or Elmers works also) rolling a line of glue (not too heavy) along the stitching line, fold the binding over on it lining up just bast the stitching line and press. Place a clip every 6-8" as you go. When you get to the corner press the first strip out so the outer edges stays straight and the inner part is approximately at a 45 degree angle. After placing a little glue in that corner, turn the quilt and fold the next side corner over making a mitered corner. Press firmly and place a clip in this corner.

Facing binding techniques (more advanced): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vifmwrEUDeQ&list=PLFgabDjK2t7CGsrJ2BMKO9o11qESJPVod&index=3>. While it does require hand stitching, which I am not a fan of, it makes for a nice modern clean finish to a quilt and especially nice for wall hangings.

Making Continuous Bias Binding (not my subject) but thought I would add here.. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PZUJknZ6aCO>

Do you have a tip that makes quilting easier for you?
If so, please email it to Stephanie Minch.

Quilted Jacket — Program and Workshop

What do we love most after finishing a beautiful quilt? If you said showing it off, you're absolutely right! SQG has a fun way for you to do just that. Join our guild members, Linda DeMaris and Nancy Routhg, in August as we explore how to turn your quilt into a stylish quilted jacket.

Mark your calendars for:

- **Tuesday, August 25**, 6:30 pm guild meeting - **Quilted Jacket program** and “fashion show” - bring your personal quilted jackets for a special show & tell time.

Saturday, August 29, 11 am - 4 pm for the **Quilted Jacket Workshop** where we will help you construct your very own quilted jacket. Come learn, create, and show off your quilting in a whole new way. We can't wait to see what you make. Cost for the workshop will be \$12 for members and \$25 for guests. You will receive the pattern and pre-work instructions.

More details will be shared regarding both in the coming months. Registration for the workshop will open during the May guild meeting.



Community Service May 1, 2025—April 30, 2026

Charity	Yearly Goal	Received
Quilts for Kids	50	91
Pillowcases (CHOA)	75	71
Quilts of Valor	45	109



North Gwinnett Co-Op



This month's theme for the coop is **Snacks for Summer**. We have reached our goal of 1200 pounds. Currently, we have collected **1,709 pounds** of food for families in need.

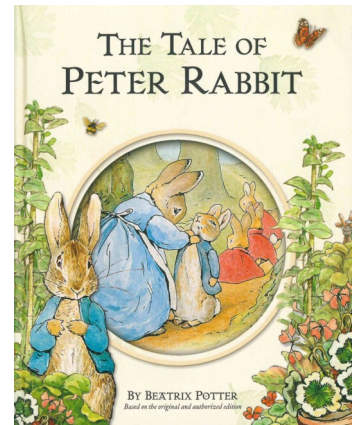
2026 Quilt Challenge

Pick a favorite Children's Book, Song or Poem to use as the Theme for your quilt.

*Quilt should be no greater than 36" x 24" but not less than 24"x 18"

+Quilt construction should use traditional techniques: machine pieced, paper piece or applique.

+Finished quilt should be made of a front/batting/back, quilting can be hand or machine or tied and finished with binding.



May Birthdays

Michelle Peacock

Chris Purvis



Dinner Social

Before Guild Meeting @ 5:00 pm

@ [El Porton](#)

2640 Old Peachtree Rd NW A,

Duluth, GA 30097



Snack Table

Remember our snack table! Please bring something yummy to share!

Sunshine Committee

If you know that one of our members needs a little hug from us via a card. Whether it's an illness, death in the family or having a challenging time, reach out to JoAnna Hunsucker.



Linda Hahn's Panel Palooza Quilts



Show and Tell



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Find us in person or online!

Email: spiritedquilters@gmail.com



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Bunten Road Community Center

Maxine Garner Activity Center
First Floor, Large Meeting Room
3180 Bunten Road
Duluth GA 30096



Social Time

6:15 PM

Meeting

6:30—8:30 PM

Monthly Meetings

last Tuesday of the month

**unless otherwise noted*

we must be out before 8:50

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