

Grouse Mountain Day Quilters Guild



December 2025 Newsletter

President's Message

Gayle C

Merry Christmas..... Happy Holidays... and Happy New Year!

For all of us who have been 'sew' involved with making gifts, it means the deadline has come, and soon will be gone! Time passes by whether or not we have done what we planned or not.

My message to all is this...

No matter where you are over this winter solstice, and whether you celebrate Jesus's birthday or not, love those who you are with... wrap yourself in warm memories of years past, and look forward to another year of friendship, fun and fabrics!

Hope to see many of you at our Christmas Lunch, wearing your favourite holiday colours!

If you choose, please bring something extra for our donation to the LG Seniors Food Drive.



Upcoming Meetings

Date: December 18

Meeting Location:
*Lions Gate Community
Recreation Centre*

Room: Canyon Room

**Venue Address: 1733
Lions Gate Ln, North
Vancouver, BC V7P
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This month, of course is our **Christmas Social / High Tea!**

Potluck contributions will be either **savoury** (if your name falls within the first part of the alphabet: **A-L**), or **goodies** (for the remainder of the alphabet). Because we will be sharing the Rec Centre kitchen facilities, please **label** your contribution with the following: **GMDQG, your name, whether it needs refrigeration and if it contains gluten or other potential allergens.**

Don't forget to bring your own plate, napkin and mug!

And if you are participating, don't forget to bring your gift for the Christmas exchange in a paper bag (some bags will be available at the meeting, if you don't have one to disguise your gift).

Our **January** meeting will be held via **ZOOM**. Following the business portion of the meeting we will have a "Sew-In" from home, with the option of making a "Sew-Along" project: "Sweet Pea Pods".

Some of the materials you will need for this project will be available for pickup at this month's meeting, since we won't be meeting in person before the Zoom meeting. If you are unable to attend this month perhaps you could arrange with a friend to pick up your supplies. (More details to follow in the January newsletter).

With thanks to Kathy McC we are going to hold another **Quilt Challenge**. The theme is "**Spring**" and is to include a supplied fabric. Size to be no larger than 72 inches in perimeter. Bring \$2 and sign up for the challenge this month. Quilts to be completed and submitted at our May meeting (May 16th, 2026).

Many thanks to **Catriona** for hosting a "**Stitch-in**" this month. It is always so nice to get together to sew and catch up.

Margo N

Stitch In

Catriona is having a stitch in on

Thursday Dec 11th, 10am, coffee, tea and goodies will be served.

Address # [10- 2425 Edgemont Blvd, N. Van.](#) Not a lot of parking in the complex, so share ride if you can

Street parking is available. If you've never been here before, there are stairs. A phone or text if you're coming would be great, Thanks.

Catriona

Comfort quilts

Trish V

I had a good time in November delivering 6 quilts and some fabric to the ladies at the hospice. The quilt pictured and made by Joyce will be raffled by the Hospice. The donated fabric has large motifs and will be used to make gowns and bibs etc. Jane at the hospice was very happy to receive our donation.



I also delivered 8 quilts to the new senior shelter in North Vancouver, run by Hollyburn Family Services. The house is very nice and our quilts will add a cosy touch. I attach a photo of the quilts on their sofa.



Remember to **check the website** to see where your quilts are donated. Our efforts are very appreciated and provide comfort to members of our community. Please carry on making your quilts and remember to ask us for batting and backing as needed.

I was also thrilled to sell some excess fabrics at our November meeting, the funds will go into the comfort quilts budget. We hope to offer a 'garage' sale in the spring in Lois's garage so that we can reduce our stash before we have to move it.

Trish V

Comfort quilts





Retreats

Sechelt Retreat March 2 – March 6, 2026

- Registration is now open for the Sechelt retreat. Currently, registration is for guild members only.
- The cost to attend is \$110 per person.
- Payment in full must be made no later than noon on November 27th. This payment is non-refundable.
- You can send an e-transfer to treasurergmdqg@gmail.com Please indicate that the payment is for the Sechelt retreat.
- You may also pay by cash or cheque. Call or email me to arrange a time to drop off your payment.
- After noon on November 27th, registration will be opened to non-members.
- We need a minimum of 15 attendees.
- We can take a maximum of 18 attendees. This is the number of 6-foot tables available. Once we reach the maximum of 18 participants, I'll make a waiting list.

The venue is the **Seaside Centre**. There is a small kitchen with a stove, fridge, microwave, toaster, kettle and dishes, but no dishwasher. Here are a couple of photos: the main room downstairs and the smaller room upstairs. We didn't use the upstairs room in 2024. If you are uncomfortable using stairs, let me know.



For accommodation, I have arranged a group rate at the **Sechelt Inn** (formerly the Drifwood Inn). It is a 10-minute walk from the Inn to the Seaside Centre.

The group rate is \$141 (plus tax) per night for a standard double room, which has 2 beds. The rooms are equipped with a fridge, microwave and coffee maker.

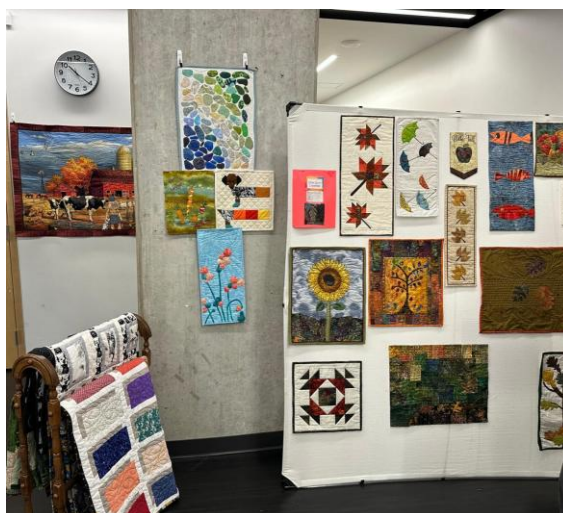
Please let me know if you plan to book a room at the Inn.

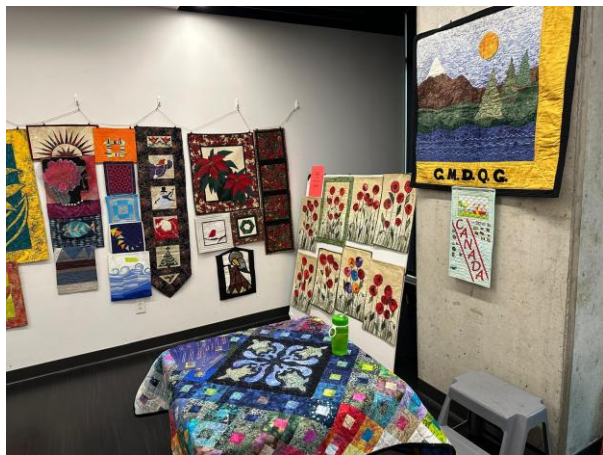
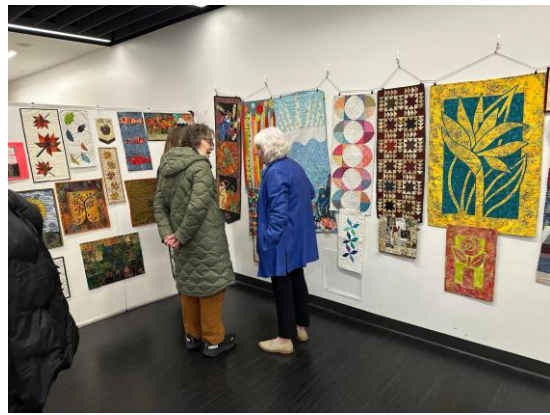
Call me if you have any questions.

Wendy

Show and Tell

GMDQG Small Quilt Show





Community Centre Craft Sale





Quilt we donated for a raffle prize at the fair

Show and Tell







Project to introduce the design process





Final Words

November is always the start of the very busy holiday season. And our November guild meeting was definitely busy. So many wonderful quilts to marvel over. We are a very creative and generous group of women.

I will not be at the December meeting, so to you all

Have a very warm and peaceful holiday season filled with the things that bring joy to your hearts.

Bakers none this month: it is our Christmas Social

Savoury - last names beginning of the alphabet A - L

Treats – last names end of the alphabet M -Z

Don't forget your plate, mug, napkin

Other instructions in Margo's Program section.