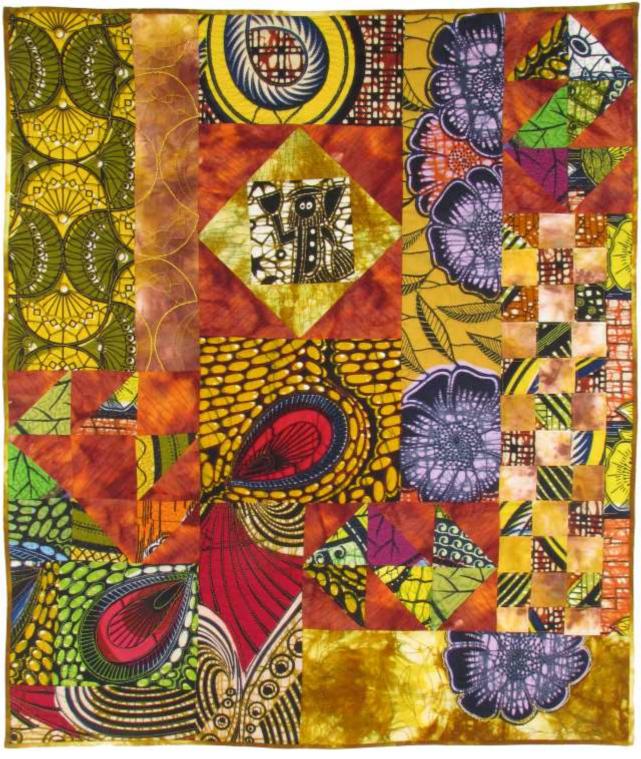


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Say Africa by Magie Relph





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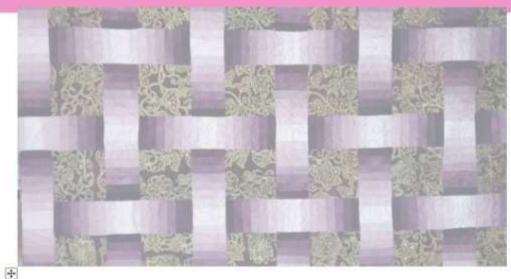


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FROM THE HOT SEAT

Hello everyone

Well, we are already nearing the end of the year again.

TIME – what has happened to TIME? If Stephen Hawking were still alive, he would be able **to answer my question. You'd think that as we get older, time would slow down, but no, it** continues on its relentless race.

But I hope your quilting has not slowed down. We have our competition coming up at our November meeting and we are eagerly anticipating drooling over your wonderful quits.

Remember next year's festival, so don't stop now.

My wish for all my fellow quilters is that you enjoy a blessed and restful Christmas and a great New Year and that 2019 is filled with sunshine and sparkles.

Keep the quilting flag flying.

LYN GONZAGA

The quilt pictured on the right is a quilt which I made from a pattern in a magazine. I think that Helen Burnett was the author of the article and I think this is one of her



Cover quilt - Say Africa by Magie Relph—The African Fabric Shop

The title of the quilt comes from a song by South African musician Vusi Mahlasela, who sings these beautiful words—"I may be walking in the streets of a city called London, But the dust on my boots and the rhythm of my feet and my heartbeat say Africa."

Read more about Magie Relph and the African Fabric Shop on pages 7 and 8 of this Newsletter.



Please visit our KZN QUILTERS GUILD on: Website— <u>Click here</u> FaceBook— <u>Click here</u>

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Beautiful quilts on display at a judged Quilt Show on 3 November at St Agnes Anglican Church in Kloof.

Lovely setting, lucky draw prizes, beautiful quilts to view, vendors and tea with friends - what more could we wish for!

Bring a friend to share all this and more!!

When dropping off your quilt, please remember to complete the schedule at the store. Especially important is the information regarding WHO WILL COLLECT YOUR QUILT.

Around the World of Quilts

Editor's note: I came across some of the photographs included in this article while researching African quilts on Pinterest. The quilts were featured on the Quiltfest website—showcasing *Quiltfest 2012—Magie Relph—A Bucketful of Fabric* (http://www.quiltfest.org.uk/magie-relph-2012.html).

The featured quilts told the story of *The African Fabric Shop*. I was curious to find out more, and was so taken with the imagination, beauty and artistry of the quilts, that I made contact with the Quiltfest organisers who, in turn, put me in contact with the owners of The African Fabric Shop. Their story follows below—extracted from the website. I do hope you enjoy this as much as I did. For more information please visit https://www.africanfabric.co.uk/





Magie Relph's passion for African textiles, heritage and design began in the 1980s, while she spent time travelling and working all over Africa.

She made her first patchwork quilt on the road, collecting scraps of African fabrics as she travelled. She sewed them together into patchwork to kill the time at border posts.

Bob Irwin got hooked on Africa as a ten year-old. His teacher Mr. Wilson - who was born in Angola and taught for years in Nigeria - gave him an African porcupine quill. It took twenty years of dreaming, but he eventually ended up working with Magie.

After getting married in Nairobi, they gravitated back to the UK. Magie continued to develop creatively as a textile artist and quilter. Bob became a technical author in an exciting new sector called 'the internet'.

Above: Flower Stems by Magie Relph

Patchwork using African was print fabric, in 4 colourways, cut up and reassembled.

Right: Leaving the Accra Quilt Show by Helen Conway

Inspired by the queues for the shuttle buses leaving the Festival of Quilts—ladies of all descriptions—all revelling in the delights of fabric shopping!!





Magie did talks and workshops for patchwork, embroidery and textile groups, while Bob built the first African Fabric Shop website. Soon, they were back on the African road researching, documenting and buying even more African fabrics!

'And where did they store this stash of fabrics,' you might wonder? In their modest three bedroom house in West Yorkshire. As they bought more fabrics, beads, and baskets - the ratio of shop to home space tipped way beyond the balancing point.

The solution came out of the blue when their local postmaster and good friend James moved on and left the village post office vacant. As an experiment, they moved in and it worked!

Visit their website for more stories and pics https://www.africanfabric.co.uk/



Foundation-pieced string quilt based on a traditional technique, using small scaps of fabric—size 110 x 110cm



Created to accompany the British Museum's Fabric of A Nation exhibition when it toured to Luton Museum.

Inspired by the wonderful design on this indigo wax print—a perfect case of "less is more". Machine quilted using metallic thread, then applied the contrast fabric.

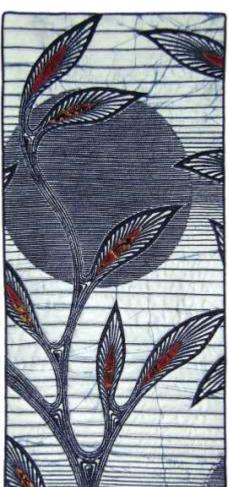


122cm x 55cm

Holland

Started the quilt in a Janice Gunner workshop—just having fun playing around with the fabrics

Right: Wild About Wax by Isobel





Last KZNQG Open Day for 2018 "Our Environment" Competition

Venue: St. Agnes Anglican Church, Kloof
Date: 3 November 2018 - 9am to 13h30pm

Programme: **Demonstration**:

09h30 to 10h00 – Mary Chapman – 3D Flowers 10h15 to 10h45 – Sue Stevenson - Kumihimo 11h00 to 11h30 – Lynda Estment – Scrappy Bags

11h45 to 12h15 - Leanne Stewart - The Fabulous Flexibility of Jelly Rolls

Supported by Bernina Musgrave who is offering a R50 discount on Jelly Rolls for

the day!

12h30 to 13h00 - Pauline Law - Bindings & Borders

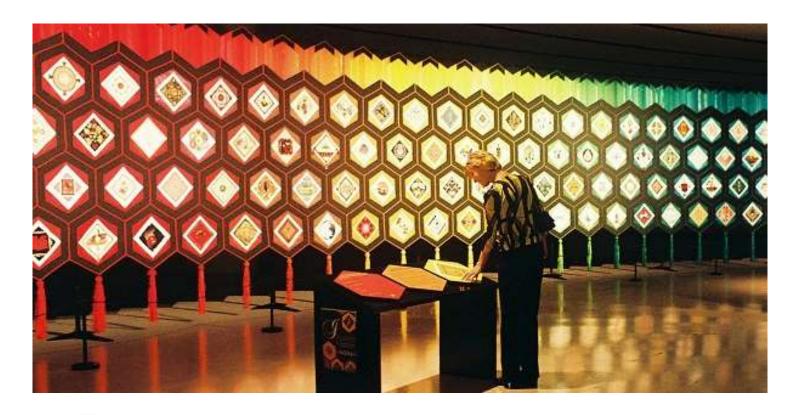
13h30 - Collection of Quilts

The retail tables will be open for business throughout the day – from 9am to 1pm Visitor Fees – R50 per meeting – Free entrance to husbands and children under 16





Lucky Draws at





Quilt of Belonging is a 120 foot (36m)-long collaborative textile art project.

Its 263 blocks portray the rich cultural legacies of all the First Peoples in Canada and every nation of the world at the dawn of the new Millennium

Quilt of Belonging's mission is to recognise Canada's diversity, celebrate it's common humanity and promote harmony and compassion among people.

The project was born in 1998 after artist Esther Bryan's life-changing journey to her ancestral country—Slovakia. The trip helped her recognise that each culture has a unique beauty, and that the experiences and values of our past influence who we are today.

In this textile mosaic, each person can experience a sense of belonging and find a place in the overall design - there is "A Place for All". Together they record human history in textile, illustrating the beauty, complexity and sheer size of the human story.

This monumental artwork, Canada's most comprehensive textile art project, is the work of volunteers. From across Canada, participants were invited to contribute their talents and ideas, reflected through the prism of their cultural backgrounds. The range of materials is astonishing, from sealskin to African mud-cloth, from embroidered silk to gossamer wings of butterflies.



Above: South Africa



Namibia's Block

Lesotho's Block



Already 1.4 million visitors have seen the Quilt, experiencing its message of inclusion and richness in diversity.

For much more information about Quilt of Belonging, please visit the comprehensive website at https://www.quiltofbelonging.ca/



Editor's note:

The article in our Newsletter contains extracts from the website and photographs reproduced with the kind permission of Esther Ryan.

I have chosen to display some of Africa's blocks in this article, but feel free to visit the website to view all the other amazing blocks created for Quilt of Belonging.



Swaziland's Block



Malawi's Block

Kenya's Block





20th South African National Quilt Festival

16-23 August 2019—Heronbridge College, Fourways,

Johannesburg

The full programme will become available in November 2018.

Online bookings will open for registration, workshops, lectures, functions and accommodation from 1st April 2019.

Online submission of quilt entry forms from 1st February 2019.

34 accredited South African quilt teachers and 6 internationally renowned teachers will be offering workshops at Festival.

Please visit the Festival website <u>festival.quiltsouthafrica.co.za</u> to find out what is new.

DURBAN FESTIVAL 2023



Durban's next festival will take place in 2023. We have just over 5 years left to prepare for our festival. For this purpose, Guilds have been approached to help making things.

Guilds are welcome to donate any available funds to the Festival Account. These funds will be required long before the Festival date in order to secure the venue, teachers, accommodation, gifts and other items, and as such, your Guilds contributions are much appreciated.

Please also remember that KZNQG would like to raffle a quilt from each Guild, each year between now and 2023.

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Have a quick look at this link— https://so-sew-easy.com/amazing-benefits-of-quilting/ - quilting has so many benefits - one of them being that it keeps many of us sane!!

Here's an interesting way of enlarging a pattern using your smartphone and computer— https://www.sewcanshe.com/blog/how-enlarge-a-pattern-using-your-phone-and-computer



All adverts are in colour—design to be done by advertiser.

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Seen at our last meeting in August -

Selection of display quilts by Lee Hackman, Queensburgh Quilters and Pleasuretime Quilters







And the winner of our quilt "FRIENDSHIPS" is M. Blaikie



10 NOVEMBER 2018

09h00 - 15h00

QUILT ACADEMY

Bookings on: https://bookwhen.com/quilt-academy

"Prairie Flowers"

This is a traditional block quilt and will be taught by Cynthia White, a highly experienced quilting teacher from the South Coast.

In the class you should be able to finish the blocks for a bed runner, but be warned that you may just get hooked and want to make it even bigger!!



R130 per person Easy Online Booking

Queries? AnnetteLee138@gmail.com twigg@telkomsa.net

This is the last QA for 2018.... keep a look-out for the 2019 dates

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Hillcrest Holy Trinity

Anglican Church

Corner: Elangeni and Ngutu Road, Hillcrest

GUILD NEWS

Queensburgh Quilters

Our guild was invited to exhibit our quilts at the August KZNQG meeting and for a very small guild we managed to show 30 of our quilts.

Leanne is hard at work completing her assignments for the teacher's accreditation course. And I think we have an entry or two in the KZNQG November competition "Our Environment". We are all looking forward to seeing everyone's entries.

We have completed the allocated goody bag item that we were tasked to make, and discussions are taking place for a group quilt to be made for the 2019 festival in Gauteng. Exciting times ahead.

Our September meeting was a casual chat and sewing afternoon with delicious tea, mocha cake made by Lynn and served on a Royal Dalton plate.

For the October meeting we are planning a field trip to the NSA gallery to see the fibre works exhibition. We are all looking forward to that outing and will enjoy cappuccinos at the coffee shop afterwards. Rosemary and Kerenza are keeping us updated via our WhatsApp group with wonderful messages and pictures of their excursions in Sydney, Australia.

Magda.

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Kloof Country Quilters

Another 3 months have rushed by and the end of 2018 is in sight......how this year has flown!!!

Kloof Country Quilters embraced the 2018 Chairlady's Challenge and the 4 groups produced these four amazing quilts!!! They were revealed at our AGM in August. A BIG thank you to our teacher members – Carole, Wendy, May-Gene and Tiiu for guiding, teaching, sharing expertise and tips. Our members certainly appreciated the help and many new friendships were formed. These quilts have been entered in the KZNQG quilt competition and we are keeping our fingers crossed for good results!!!









Our September meeting celebrated Spring - we gave away many trays of seedlings and plants as lucky draws – hopefully these flowering plants may inspire a quilt!!! Tahera from Tahera's Treasures tempted us with her fabrics. She demonstrated how easy it is to



cover tissue box holders!!! We also spoke about Dementia

Prevention. Remember that in order to keep Dementia at bay we need, amongst other things, to keep learning new things, to be sociable and to exercise - not only fingers and tongues!!!

At the October meeting we all had an opportunity to learn the techniques used in the 4 Chairlady's Challenge quilts. We had 5 demo stations and members spent 15 minutes at each, learning the patterns and techniques.

Our knitted fiddle teddies have been distributed to local elder care facilities.

Best wishes to our Indian members for a happy Di-

wali in November and a safe, happy Christmas to all. Regards, Felicity Crouch

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Pleasuretime Quilters Guild, Scottburgh

Hello Fellow Quilters from Pleasure time Quilters Guild

I can hardly believe that we will be holding our year end luncheon next month and then closing for the Christmas break until the middle of January! The year has just flown by.

Without a doubt the highlight of the year has been our Quilt and Art exhibition which was held on the 22 September. The event was wonderfully well-supported and Twig, complete with her fan club, even graced us with her presence!!!

The Guild members really worked hard and the beautiful Anglican church venue was a sight to behold. The ladies in the kitchen, led by Cilla, kept our guests well refreshed and there was a constant buzz of chatter. Shirley usually heads up the Sales Table and after a VERY poor response two years ago from guild members to produce goodies she read the riot act and an enormous number of items crowded the Sales Table this year. We have redeemed ourselves!

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Two raffles were run. The first - a hand embroidered hexagonal quilt which had been running for some time, was drawn on the day and will be travelling to Pongola to a very excited Carol Robertson, who has never won anything in her life! Funds raised from this raffle go to Alexander Park Homes for the Aged. The second, a chook quilt which is a group quilt, was launched and promises to be a successful fundraiser. Funds from this raffle will go towards purchasing food for '4 Paws and a Tail' and will be drawn at our AGM in March. A few pieces of art were also sold. So all in all a very happy and successful event which would not have been possible without input from all our guild members.

On behalf of Pleasure time guild I would like to wish you all a blessed Christmas and a happy and healthy 2019.

Jenny Evans.



Tollgate Quilters Guild

(Proud supporters of Quilt Academy)

This last part of the year has been an interesting one for Tollgate - full of fun and celebrations!

In no particular order:

This year we celebrate our 30th birthday! Thank you to all our current members - and to those that have gone before - for making this such a special guild... and the only one that meets in the evening! This celebration was made extra special by its recognition by eThekwini Parks etching it in the bank near Jamieson Gardens.

Our "Country Garden" Quilt Show at the Norwegian Church Hall in St Thomas Road was well worth the effort and enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone that came and supported us.

We celebrate the life of Gail Leeuw, a quiet member of our guild, who passed away recently. Our love and condolences to her friends and family. She was a regular Izotsha attendee, making mainly traditional and appliqued quilts. We will miss her gentle humour and her lovely work.

We continue to work diligently and enthusiastically on our goodie bag contributions!

Our October meeting celebrates quilting and friendship and we look forward to each of our members bringing a friend to see how much fun quilting could be!

We meet in the evening of the third Tuesday of every month at the Glenwood Presbyterian Church, and would love for you to come and join us from 7 to 9pm.

Yours in stitches Twig 0834491800

Hibiscus Quilters Guild

Greetings from the South Coast.

It seems way too soon to be thinking about the end of the year but it is almost upon us - Christmas sweeties are on sale in the stores already!

Twig came to visit in August with lots of tips for labels - and why it is so important to do them. We need to put our names on our work - not only does it take a long time to make quilts but we also need to take credit for our work. Twig also gave us an insight into what it takes to organise a National Quilt Festival - a LOT of work.

As is usual when Twig visits, there was plenty of laughter!

Twig did not come empty handed and some of us were introduced to Challenge Packs for the very first time. Not sure if everyone who bought one has actually made one but it is an interesting concept - a real brain teaser in some ways.

September was our birthday - 28 years and still going strong. Our members are producing amazing quilts - well done ladies!

I decided it was time to haul my quilts out of the cupboard and hang them up for Show and Tell. Hand quilting is my 'thing' and it was lovely to share my quilts with the ladies. The best part was remembering the ladies I quilted with before I moved to the coast and to recall how much fun we had every Tuesday morning.

On the far left: March and December Calendar Bears—hand appliqued, embroidered and guilted.

Left: Crazy patch mini quilt



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Our Row by Row project will come to an end at our meeting in October and we are looking forward to seeing the results once the quilts have been assembled. It's always interesting to see how one design is interpreted differently by each person.

We still have two more meetings before we close for the year and I am looking forward to seeing still more lovely quilts on our Show and Tell wall.

I would like to wish all the quilters early Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year.

Margi

On the right: Four Furry Friends—hand appliqued, embroidered and quilted



Grassroots Guild

At our July meeting, we had a series of demos. Marline Turner showed us how to do successful continuous binding. This method is now my new best friend, as far as binding goes.

Pauline Law showed us how to measure for borders and binding , to eliminate wavy borders and bindings.

Judy Fennemore showed us the easy way to use a wedge ruler, called stack and whack. what an eye opener. And so easy if you have this ruler.

Colleen Roberts taught us how to do a new style sleeve. It is the way to go in the future and saves your quilt from all those pins when it's hung.

August saw Drene Ruddy talking about English Paper Piecing and long arm quilting. Each of the 3 buddy group leaders also did an entertaining short talk.

September saw Al Kirkiridis talking about "Amafu - a trip down memory lane". We all have memories of Glenda and the kind, generous, talented person that she was.

Artroots is still going strong - soon we will be going to the gallery where the Fibreworks exhibition is on. These are works by all of our local Fibreworks artists.

We have found that the tea duty ladies spend a lot of time in the kitchen after tea, doing the washing up, and usually miss the start of the talk. So we have adopted the "bring your own mug" system. It is working well.

A little birdie tells me that Jane Zietsman is at it again, and working on bringing out an international teacher to our area. This lady will also (hopefully) be giving us a talk at KZNQG early next year.

LYN GONZAGA

KZNQG Guild Database October 2018

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Ballito/Salt rk	Sheffield Night Owls	Fiona Walker	032-946 0874	083-311 7330	fifrog@telkomsa.net	2 nd Saturday	9am	Alice Massie	None
Durban North	Quilters-by-the-Sea	Ina Baker		082-657 6220	<u>ina@inabaker.co.za</u>	1 st Wednesday	9h30am	North Dbn Lion's Den	
Glenwood	Tollgate	Twig Hartwig	031-762 3148	083-449 1800	twigg@telkomsa.net	3 rd Tuesday	7-9pm	Glenwood Comm.church	Aug
Hillcrest	Sew Wot	Jenni Scott	031-776 4061	084-512 8148	jenniscott167@gmail.com	1st/2nd Sat	9am - 3pm	Members' homes	Feb
Hilton	Midlands	Jane Renton	033-2631276	082-558 1682	jane@rietvleilandscapes.co.za	3 rd Thursday	9h30am	Hilton Methodist	
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одох	Quilting@Home	Denise Muldal	039-834 1437		muldalhc@futurenet.co.za	1 st Saturday	9.30-5pm	Denise Muldal's	None
Kloof	Kloof Country	Felicity Crouch	031-767 4695	084-608 4432	dacabs@telkomsa.net	1 st Tuesday	9.30 - 12	Sarepta church	Aug
Kloof	Village Quilters	Tiiu Excell		083-642 2006	tiiu.excell@gmail.com	2 nd Monday	9h30 -12pm	9h30 -12pm Methodist Church, Kloof	Nov
Margate	Hibiscus	Margi Anderson	039-315 1767	083-409 5094	margi@mtnloaded.co.za	4 th Tuesday	9h30am	Village happiness	Oct
PMB	Hayfields Quilters	Marline Turner	600£ 96£-££0		marline@iafrica.com	Last Tuesday	2-4pm	NG Kerk, Dryden Rd	
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Richmond	Richmond Country Quilters Winsome English	Winsome English	033-212 1294	072-963 9811	winsome@webmail.co.za	4 th Wednesday	2-4pm	Richmond Bowling Club	
Scottburgh	Pleasure Time	Jenny Evans	039-976 1012	082-586 2044	jenny@scottnet.co.za	3rd Thurs.	2pm	Dutch Reform Church	March
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