



The monthly newsletter from the
East Cobb Quilters' Guild

Basket Bulletin

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We're On A Mission

Purpose, some say, is the sweet spot where you find the soul-filling way to put your skills and passions into action. Almost 45 years ago, our founding members gave us a three-fold purpose: promote the art of quilting, encourage guild friendships, and build meaningful community relationships. Every day I see you embracing and advancing those ideas by putting your skills and passions into action on behalf of our guild. Doesn't it feel good?



Happiness is not a goal...it's a by-product of a life well lived...Eleanor Roosevelt

Chris

Chris Ison, President
president@ecqg.com

MEETINGS THIS MONTH

Evening Group

Thursday, September 24 @ 6:45 pm - 8:45 pm

Day Guild Meeting

Friday, September 25 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

The Catholic Church of St. Ann - 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta, GA
(From the parking lot on Bishop Lake Road, our meeting space is in the left end of the building.)

Members - Volunteers Needed!

[Hold Quilts](#) at the Friday Meeting for Show & Tell.

[Greet visitors and new members](#) at the Friday meeting.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

Jean Impey



Meet and Greet:

Thursday, September 24 @ 6:45 pm
Members Always Free
Visitor Tickets, \$10, [Here](#)

Lecture:

Finding Your Passion and Running with It

Friday, September 25 @ 10:00 am
Members Always Free
Visitor Tickets, \$10, [Here](#)

Jean Impey is a highly sought-after speaker and instructor who captivates audiences with her enthusiasm, humor, and passion for creativity. Her Friday lecture explores how following your passion can unlock limitless creative potential.

It all began with a Spider Web Quilt in 2007. What started as a single quilt quickly became an ongoing series as new ideas flowed faster than Jean could make them. As she says, *"When one thing leads to another, and you find something that clicks, you have to keep at it. Maybe that's what you call a series?"*

FULL DAY - WORKSHOPS

Jean Impey



Spider Webs

The Spider Web Quilt has been around for hundreds of years, and there are many ways to make one. Jean has come up with a quick and accurate method using your scraps of fabric to create a unique quilt.

Thursday September 24
9:30 am to 4:00 pm
Members: \$55
Not-Yet-Members: \$70

[Register Here](#)



The Magic of Fabulous Faces

Dive into the art of crafting expressive faces with ease and minimal materials. Then, uncover unique quilting techniques to bring your design to life.

Saturday, September 26
9:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Members: \$55
Not-Yet-Members: \$70

[Join the Waitlist](#)

Click Registration Buttons for Workshop locations.

PROGRAMS COMING IN OCTOBER

Evening Meeting Challenge Quilts Reveal

Thursday, October 29 @ 6:45 pm
For more information, [Here](#)

Day Meeting Challenge Quilts Reveal

Friday, October 30 @ 10:00 am
For more information, [Here](#)

MYSTERY PAINT CHIP CHALLENGE

Our challenge quilts for the Mystery Paint Chip Challenge will be revealed in October...and we'll learn about next year's Challenge, too!

Mystery Paint Chip Challenge quilts must be entered online by midnight Monday, October 26. The Challenge Committee will use this time to create a slide presentation for both meetings so all members can vote on their favorite quilts.

Bring your Mystery Paint Chip Challenge quilt to either of the October meetings. Quilts brought to the Thursday Evening Group meeting will be held over until the Friday morning Guild meeting. Plan to arrive 30 minutes early so we can get the quilts ready for viewing. After the October meetings, all members can vote online for their favorite quilts. Awards will be made at the December meeting.



[Click here](#) to read all the details on the challenge rules, entering your quilt online, preparing it for the meetings, and the Guild-wide vote to select the winning quilts.

Want to help out?

[Click here](#) if you can loan your quilt stand to the Challenge Committee.

[Click here](#) if you can help hang the Challenge quilts at the meeting on Friday, October 30.

Questions? [Contact](#) Alexa Morrison, Challenge Committee Chair.

See more information on the Programs & Workshops page, [here](#).

MATRIOTISM QUILT EXHIBIT

Celebrating 250 Years of Inspirational American Women Through Quilts



The Matriotism exhibit just closed at the Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum (SQTM) in Carrollton, GA. Over 600 visitors attended the 6-week show, which featured all 62 quilts. [Dr. Marcia Bost wrote a full article](#) of the exhibit, which was submitted for publication in the Blanket

Statements, a quarterly newsletter published by the American Quilt Study Group.



62 Matriotism quilts were displayed at the Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum during June through August 2026.



Next is the [Booth Western Art Museum](#) in Cartersville, where the exhibit officially opens on November 7th. The Booth Museum has selected 24 quilts for its exhibit. [Click here](#) to see the list. On November 4th, the Guild has been invited to lead the Booth Museum's monthly Art for Lunch (AFL) program. The Booth offers this program in advance of a special exhibit opening at the

Museum. Our lineup of speakers includes Chris Ison, who will speak about the Guild; Devon Pfeif discussing the Matriotism Challenge and two of our artists; and Margaret Williams and Melinda Rushing, who will present their quilts and the techniques used to create them. After their presentations, the audience will be invited to visit with the ECQG speakers in the exhibition area.

Thanks to all of you who have a quilt(s) in the Matriotism exhibit. Without your amazing quilts, this traveling exhibit would never have happened!

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

[Community Service](#) is in our final quarter and accolades should go to guild members. However, we cannot rest on our laurels. We still need [quilts](#) and [bereavement diapers](#).



We had a great Sewcial in August.

The last Sewcial for 2026 is October 7. Save your spot now.

[Register Here](#)

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

A total of 130 members attended our August Meeting, while 60 members attended the Evening Meeting.

Our membership to date is 409 members. We welcome new and returning members at any time. To join, click on our [Join Us link](#) and follow the instructions. Beginning in September through December, dues are \$40 for the remainder of 2026 and includes 2027. You can join online, by mail, or at the monthly meetings.

Questions about membership? [Email](#) Denise Cornett.



UPDATES FROM OUR WEBMASTER

GROUPS.io launched on September 7th! This new communication tool makes it easier for members to connect, share information, and stay involved with Guild activities. When members post messages, you will receive them by email. If there is activity, you should receive a daily email digest containing the latest messages. Simply open the digest to read the conversations and follow the links to participate.

Missed the GROUPS.io Training Sessions?

No worries. Members log into the [Members Only](#) (login required) section of the ECQG website and navigate to GROUPS.io. You will find the following there:

- Getting Started with GROUPS.io Guide
- Recording from the ZOOM training session
- Links to download the GROUPS.io mobile app

Still need Help? Email Webmaster Diana Quinn at webmaster@ecqg.com or see Diana at the Tech Help table at the September day meeting.

We hope you will use GROUPS.io to stay informed, share ideas, and connect with fellow Guild members. Welcome to the conversation!

AUGUST - SHOW & TELL



Evening Group - Photos



Day Meeting - Photos

GOLDEN SCISSORS



Pat D.



Beth W.



Angela R.



Nora W.

Four quilters were awarded Golden Scissors at the August meeting. They were Pat Deacon, Beth Wallace, Angela Raymond, and Nora Whisenant. Golden Scissors quilts are large, so they take more time, effort, and patience to finish. The Guild is proud of all who receive this award!

Thanks to Nora Whisenant for filling in for Meridith Mask when she was out-of-town. It was appreciated!



To qualify for Golden Scissors, your quilt must have a perimeter of at least 280 inches, be made entirely by one person, and be submitted within one year of completion. A Golden Thimble will be awarded if that same quilt is hand-quilted.

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Annual Quilt Show

August 14–September 30, 2026



Check out the ["Events"](#) tab of the ECQG website and plan some fun!

IMPORTANT LINKS TO GUILD BUSINESS

Check out our financial statements and meeting minutes at the links below. You'll need your ECQG Member login to access this page. Need help? [Click here.](#)



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Monday : By Appointment Only
Tuesday - Saturday : 10am - 6pm
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Upcoming Highlighted Events

September 19th

Jelly Roll Sew Along with Clare

It's National Sew a Jelly Roll Day!
From 1 - 5pm : join the fun
bring or purchase a jelly roll
and join in on the fun!

September 30th

Community Project Noon - 2pm

All materials supplied
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for Ryan's Case for Smiles.

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