



# Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild

**BMQG Newsletter – December 2025**

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*The purpose of the guild is to share knowledge of modern quilting techniques, patterns, modern fabrics and quilt-making by providing meetings, social gatherings, educational workshops and field-trips to support quilting activities, encourage modern quilt-making and promote the appreciation of this craft. The Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild supports and encourages the growth and development of modern quilting through art, education and community.*

## **December and into 2026 Events**

### **December 14<sup>th</sup>**



- **Annual BMQG Holiday Party!**

**Location:** Harford Park Community Association Hall (in Laura B's neighborhood!)  
2522 Linwood Road., Parkville, MD 21234 (south of Taylor Ave., between Perring Parkway and Old Harford Rd.)

Located between two houses in a residential neighborhood, the hall has a big sign with "Harford Park" on it. The main hall entrance is down the stairs to the left of the end of the driveway. The handicapped accessible entrance is at the back of the building.

**Parking:** There's plenty of street parking (particularly on Park Drive, which is the cross street to Linwood Rd.) but PLEASE be careful not to block neighbors' driveways. There is room for 3 cars in the driveway so if anyone needs handicapped/accessible parking, you can use the driveway for that

- **Food being provided by the guild but feel free to bring a dessert.**
- **4<sup>th</sup> Round of Lottery Blocks Due (lottery block below)**
- **Bring 5 modern fat quarters in a bag and we'll do a swap and steal.**

## **January**

### **Dinky Town**

**Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 4:30**

“When paper meets fabric”



Featuring Margarita Koriath, quilt artist designer, teacher and lecturer from Collierville, Tennessee.

Margarita will guild us through her “Dinky Town” workshop where we will create our own whimsical town with recycled magazine clippings, fabric scraps and tulle.

This will be a 6-hour virtual workshop

Cost: \$4

[Click here](#) to register

Margarita’s website [Margarita Koriath](#)

**Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 to 3:30**

**Arbutus Branch of Baltimore County Public Library**  
Regular Guild Meeting and Lecture by Margarita Koriath  
“The odd couple: paper meets fabric”

## **2026 Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild Board**

To keep our guild vibrant and thriving, we rely on members who generously step forward and dedicate their time, energy, and skills to the many tasks that keep us running. We are grateful to past leadership and for the individuals below who will serve on our board in 2026 and contribute so much on behalf of our guild.

President - Karen Jennings

Vice President – Wanda Onafuwa

Treasurer – Arianna Vogt

Director of Education – Leanne Wolf

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Director of Programs – Laura Baltatzis

Director(s) of Communications – Emily Smith and Linda Barone

Director of Charity Relations – Amy Krebs

### **Fourth Quarter Lottery Block**

#### **A bear claw and only the claw**

The 4th quarter lottery block of 2024 was a Giant block; however for the **4th quarter lottery block of 2025**, we are going in the opposite direction as follows: let's make 5" bear claw, just the claw of a traditional bear claw block. I've included the instructions for the claw, along with a picture, at the bottom of this email. Because of the small nature of these cuties, you will receive extra tickets to win for each block entered as follows:

2 blocks: 4 tickets

4 blocks: 6 tickets

6 blocks: 8 tickets

8 blocks: 10 tickets

(10 tickets is the maximum number of tickets, but more blocks are always welcomed!) Lets get started: (ruler in pic shows measurement at 5")



Fabric:

Claws can be a print, small prints work best, or a solid is fine as well, *your choice*. Background, White or White on White

Cutting:

1) To make 4 HST's\_ cut 2 print OR solid and 2 white background to 2 1/2" squares; Place right sides together, (one color fabric with one background) and draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the white, sew a 1/4" on either side of the drawn line, cut along the diagonal line. I found Pressing seams Open worked best when sewing the block. Square HST's to 2"

2) Cut 2 - 2" background squares, cut 3 - 2" color squares

3) Layout and sew HST and Squares together, per the pic below. Block will finish at 5", (4.5" once sewn into a design)



I really enjoyed making these little guys, hope you do as well. Blocks will be due at the December Holiday meeting and depending on the number of blocks, there could be more than one winner. (Will decide at the meeting)

Thank you for participating,

Valarie

BMQG Program Director

## **Charity Quilt Donations**

Thank you to all who have contributed, or are still sewing for the Charity quilts! The House of Ruth has been very appreciative of the 23 quilts delivered in 2025.

Charity Sew in date is June 27, 2026 Details to follow.

If you have any quilts to donate, please bring them to the meeting on Sunday. Batting is available to go with the kits and will be at all the meetings.

Amy Krebs, Charity

## **QuiltCon 2026**

Mark your calendars! QuiltCon is returning to Raleigh, NC - February 19-22.

QuiltCon Registration is now open You can find the guide online here: <https://www.themodernquiltguild.com/quiltcon/show-schedule>

We will be sending information on coordinating carpooling or shared housing in a future communication as well.

## **Care Corner**

This month, we hold in our hearts the members of our guild who have experienced loss. We honor their loved ones and extend our deepest sympathy and support.

- Rose Daley lost her sister
- Linda Barone lost her brother-in-law

If you know of a member's loss, please forward that information to the communications team of the guild.

## **Looking Ahead**

### **December**

- Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> Holiday party 1:30-3:30 Harford Park Community Center, 2522 Linwood Road, Parkville
- Fourth round of lottery blocks due.

### **January 2026**

- Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 – 4:30. Workshop with Margarita Koriath, Dinky Town “When paper meets fabric”
- Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup> 1:30 – 3:30 Guild Meeting with presentation by Margarita Koriath: The Odd Couple – Paper Meets Fabric.

### **March 2026**

- Brandon Wolf workshop on 3/7 and 3/14.
- March 8 meeting with Brandon Wolf.

### **May 2026**

- May 15-17 Spring Retreat – details at a later date.

### **June 2026**

- June 14 meeting with Christina Cameli
- June 27 – charity sew in.

### **October 2026**

- October 8-10 Fall Retreat – details at a later date.

## **Board Members for 2025**

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## **Typical Meetings**

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month unless otherwise noted.

We typically meet in Baltimore Public Library Meeting Rooms except during the summer. The Library's policy is that we can only book rooms three months in advance. As such, please continue to check our website for meeting locations in the future. We are not dedicated to a single branch but rather select locations based on availability.

To attend the meeting by Zoom, use the following link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87060038333?pwd=WwU8bdGcEMDc3My0yfl6M8JBpOKsLV.1>

If you have a friend who you think might enjoy our guild feel free to invite them to one complimentary meeting so they can see what we're all about.

For more information about our guild and a members only page, go to our website/blog

<https://baltimoremqg.blogspot.com/>

Want to see what we're up to? Connect with us on social media!

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