



Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild

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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.

February/March Events

February

February 8, 2026 – Sew-In and Meeting
10:00 – 3:30

The February meeting will be a virtual sew-in day from 10 am to 3:30 pm. (Join when you can and stay for as short or as long as you'd like.) The Zoom link will be emailed to you the day before the sew-in. We'll be sewing the "Tribute Star" pattern together with the goal of at least 30 quilts to donate to the House of Ruth MD!

At 1:30, join us for a short guild meeting. We'll start with a few quick announcements and then Amber Lucernoni from the House of Ruth MD will be sharing an overview of the programs and services they provide. She'll also talk about how the quilts we donate are used in their programs.

For the sew-in, you'll have three sizes to choose from and you're welcome to make the quilt in whatever colors you'd like to choose from your stash. See the email that Laura sent on 2/1/26 for the pattern and all the details.

Please bring your "Tribute Star" to the April meeting, at whatever stage it is in. We want a fabulous picture of all the stars together!

If you make a quilt top and would like help with finishing, please bring it to a meeting to give to Amy Krebs and she will add it to the charity quilt kits. Please contact Amy Krebs for labels. Please put your first name and the month/year quilt was finished on it.

Please contact Laura or Amy with any questions!

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March

Brandon Wulff 2-day workshop on Biscotti Quilting

March 7 and March 13 (Virtual)

Registration and Details will be sent in a separate email soon.

March 8, 2026 – 1:30-3:30 Meeting (location TBA)

Brandon Wulff lecture – “Creative Odyssey: From the Trunk Show Biscotti”

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Scrap Swap

March 12, 2026 – 7:00

Amy Sherald Exhibit at the BMA

Join your fellow guild members on **March 12th at 7:00 pm** to view the exhibit, *Amy Sherald: American Sublime* at the Baltimore Museum of Art. Read [this press release](#) for more about Ms. Sherald’s deep roots in Baltimore. She is most famous as the artist who created First Lady Michelle Obama’s portrait (with a dress that looks like a quilt!). Laura has reserved 15 (free!) tickets for our group. Please RSVP to Laura, laura@baltimoremqg.com to join the group or with questions. We may be able to reserve more if there is a lot of interest so please RSVP now if you want to attend so we can get a head count!

Homage to Baltimore Competition

The Homage to Baltimore competition is open now! An invitation from the City of Baltimore, presented by Mayor Brandon Scott: “We invite quilters and fiber artists of all backgrounds to submit original quilt works inspired by the spirit of Baltimore—past, present, and/or future.

This is an opportunity to reflect on the city through fabric, whether your piece is abstract or literal, historical or cultural.” The entry deadline is 4/1/2026. Find out more at

<https://www.homagetobaltimorequiltingcompetition.com/>

Education Survey

Thanks to everyone who filled out the education survey and please feel free to send any additional suggestions on what you might like to learn about through the guild.

Slack

I hope you all got the invitation from Ronnie to join Slack. Slack is like a neighborhood bulletin board. Members can place messages for items for sale, or items needed, request for help or just sharing your completed project. This is not a mandatory sign up but it would be nice if we could get the majority of the guild on slack. If you didn't receive an invitation from Ronnie, just drop her a note. vjessamy@gmail.com

Charity Quilt Donations

Thank you to all who are and have been sewing charity quilts for the House of Ruth, Md. One has been collected for 2026, and several others are in progress! Next delivery is March 10, 2026.

We will be making quilts for House of Ruth at our Sew-In on February 8th as well as at our Charity Sew-in date is June 27, 2026 (Details for June to follow at a later date).

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

Amy Krebs, Charity



QuiltCon 2026

QuiltCon 2026 in Raleigh will be here soon! As a guild, we will have two formal meet up times:

- Friday, 2/20, 4:45 pm - group picture, near our Community Outreach Challenge Quilt in the exhibit hall
- Friday, 2/20, 5:30 pm - dinner together (location TBA)

Next week, Laura will send out information about these two events and more to everyone who has filled out the [Who's Going to QuiltCon 2026](#) survey. If you haven't filled it out, do so ASAP!

Around Town



Tuesday, March 10th 5:30 – 7:30 Falvey Hall – MICA Brown Center.

Learn more here: [Fabric Swap Details](#)

Quilters Yard Sale

Saturday, March 14, 2026
9 am - 3 pm

Clover Hill Clubhouse (Indoor!)
8122 Glendale Drive
Frederick, MD 21701

We have received many generous donations from our Guild members and the community. You won't want to miss this!

**Books! Patterns! Thread! Notions! Rulers!
Fabric, Fabric, Fabric!**

Please note that entry to the clubhouse requires climbing stairs; this location is not wheelchair accessible.

Yard Sale is hosted by and benefits Clustered Spines Quilt Guild, a member-based guild (and nonprofit 501(c)(3)) located in Frederick, MD with a mission to share a love of quilts and quilt making through seminars, exhibitions, workshops, and community service projects.

Find out more at www.clusteredsquaresquiltguild.org

Quilt Bingo 2026
Friendship Quilt Guild of Linthicum

Saturday, March 14, 2026
Doors open at 11:30am, Bingo starts at 1pm

Elks Lodge
160 Truck House Rd, Severna Park, MD 21146

*The venue is fully accessible.
Absolutely no alcohol permitted – we do not hold a liquor license.
No one under the age of 18 may enter (as per the gambling license).*

Every Bingo winner receives a quilt!

Door prizes, Raffle baskets, Raffle quilt, Grab bags, Bake table,
Lunch (served by the Elks)

Tickets: \$30 via CheddarUp (\$32.18 with fees)
<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/quilt-bingo-2026/items>

We are only selling tickets online. Click the above link or scan the QR code below.

Care Corner

If you know of a member who is experiencing a loss, please forward that information to the Communications team of the Guild.

Looking Ahead

February 2026

- 2/8/2026 Sew-in and meeting
- 2/18/2026 – 2/22/2026 Quilt-Con in Raleigh NC.

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 will be available 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 will be available at a later date.

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Typical Meetings

We meet on the 2nd 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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