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The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild

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Guild meetings are held at Village Meadows School 905 El Camino Real., Sierra Vista unless otherwise noted

The Clubhouse

The clubhouse will be open as follows:

Regular Wednesday Hours:	*8:30-11:30*
Regular Thursday Hours:	*8:30-2:00*

November 17 – Program meetings at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm.

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President's Message

A very huge thank you and sincere gratitude to all of the ladies and hubby-helpers who packed, unpacked and organized our new home! It was such a treat to share the results at the October 'open house'. We are also so grateful to Dr Chun and Valerie Weller with Sierra Vista Unified School District for everything they have done to make our new location possible.

And now, here comes the holiday season with all the traditions and preparations and sometimes craziness as we celebrate the final days of 2026! As you put the finishing touches on your holiday projects don't forget to get your entries for the 2027 quilt show turned in.

The November challenge will be fun to see in our new venue and many thanks to JoAnn V., for all her hard work and organizing. I can't wait to see all of your creations. Be sure to check out all of the upcoming educational opportunities.

I wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving. Among the many things I am thankful for one of the greatest is this guild and the wonderful people who bring their enthusiasm and talents to share with one another and with our community.

-Georgia

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MEMBER VENDORS

Our 2027 quilt show will be here before you know it. Time to start thinking about having a table to display & sell your crafts. Even if you don't regularly, or ever do craft shows I know most of you do produce crafts of some sort or other. Consider getting a table this year & share your craft with those attending the show. Think of the money you could earn to buy more fabric!!! Apply early to make sure you get a spot. There are 10 spots available. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Application form for Member Vendors is on Page 13 of the newsletter.
Wendy H 520-609-4097

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BOUTIQUE NEWS

THANKS to all our quilters who helped at the last sale at our old location. We made $2700 in sales at that one! It more than covered the cost of our move to our new location! Remember, if you assist, you get a $10 gift certificate to be used at our Boutique. If you didn't get yours, please see Martha or Janelle. Our next sale won't be until the annual quilt show in March.

ATTENTION EMBROIDERY ENTHUSIASTS! We recently got in another donation which included a whole lot of embroidery stabilizer and beautiful threads, ALL PRICED AT UNBELIEVABLE LOW PRICES. Come see us for all your embroidery needs/wants. We also have a good selection of embroidery software.

We are looking to donate the remaining fashion fabric to a charitable organization that would use it for clothing, etc. If you know of such a group, please let Janelle or Martha know.

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EXCITING NEWS

Amber Scrivner will be our quilt appraiser for the 2027 quilt show. You may have met her when she was working with Joyce Larson. If you want your quilt entry to be appraised or have a quilt you want to be appraised, please let me know. I will put you on her schedule for Saturday, March 6, 2027, or Sunday, March 7, 2027, of the quilt show. The cost is $45 per quilt. Should you have any questions, please let me know.

-Sherry H

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2027 QUILT SHOW INFO

Hopefully, everyone is getting excited for the 2027 Quilt Show. We are looking forward to seeing what you've been working on this year. We always have such a variety of quilts, which makes our show beautiful. We encourage everyone to participate, whether you're a new or seasoned quilter. Everyone started somewhere.
When you are ready to turn in your entry forms, you can drop them off at the guild or mail them. If you mail them in, make sure they're received by Jan 21. PO Box 1326, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636.

Maggie Allen is collecting the applications. If she's not at the guild, please ask where the envelope is since we are at a new location.
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November Birthdays

Brenda T	Nov 5
Jane W	Nov 6
Sandra D	Nov 7
Carole B	Nov 12
Nancy B	Nov 13
Fran H	Nov 22
Gretchen L	Nov 24
Marrietta O	Nov 24

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A GET WELL: for Susan Ritter. She fell and broke her pelvis a couple of days ago.

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HSQG Contacts

Board of Directors (BOD) Elected

President	Georgia M	gannmastin@yahoo.com
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DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan 14 & 21 9am-11am	Quilt Pictures if you need them. Location: at the Guild
Jan21	Last day to get your entries turned in.
Mar 3 9am-11am	Drop off your quilts at Ethel Burger.
Mar 5 4pm-9pm	Quilt Show Setup at Buena High School

Reminders:
Quilts need sleeves sewn onto quilt back for hanging. See rules. NO PINS
Quilts need labels with at least your name and quilt name. If quilt is being judged, cover name with fabric that is basted on. The cover will be removed after judging.
Any questions, please call or email Sherry H

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BLOTTO
Oct 2026 – Jan 2027



Garden Walk

This BLOTTO is an easy sew as we are spending time getting our quilts ready for the quilt show. However, we can all use practice with our ¼" seam and measuring each strip to arrive at an accurate
12 ½" unfinished block.

The drawing for the Simplex Star was won by Cathy N and Katie A.

If you have any questions, you can reach out to: Donna O (520-220-8851 or d_j_otto@yahoo.com).

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Community Quilts news
November, 2026

Quilts donated to others in October

Forgach	10
Lori's Place	2
Nancy Brua Shelter	2
Private individuals	1
Project Linus	13
SW Cancer Ctr	18
WIC	6
Total	**52**

The Guild is in the new rooms at Village Meadows Elementary School this month. Exciting! We may not know where everything is yet but it's here!

Barn quilt supplies were re-discovered during the packing for the move. A barn quilt trail was established in 2022 through Sierra Vista but has not received much attention the last couple of years. We had 5 of them on our old meeting room at the Rothery Center. They are scheduled to be transferred to the VM site when Maintenance can get to it. There is already a big barn quilt on the side of the building since all the elementary schools received one in the first paining. The trail is listed on the City of Sierra Vista website and we have a tab on the Guild web page showing the trail. We do have a display at the yearly quilt show and web links for ore information. Barn quilts are another way to share the Guild activities and promote art and increase exposure in Sierra Vista. If you are interested in painting a quilt for your house or to donate to the trail please let Nas know. We could schedule a class in the spring.
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We are accepting donations of fabric and notions again.

Remember, if you hear of anyone or organization needing comfort pass along the information to me. Try to include a contact person or phone number for follow up. Thanks for members who keep our quilts coming. They are truly appreciated by recipients.

If you are making juvenile quilts please make some boy-themed Project Linus quilts.

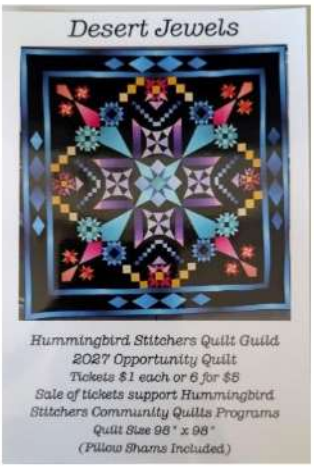


The new quilt on display at the hospital

Janet W
Community Quilts

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2027 Opportunity Quilt News!



Hi, everyone. We did a great job at "Art in the Park" this year! I want to thank all our members that came out to help make it an awesome event!

Now that we have moved to "The Village", you can find the tickets and sign out sheet on the counter in Room #1. Don't forget to take some with you, especially if you are traveling this holiday season!

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please give me a call at (909) 215-6918 or email me at katwood3064@gmail.com.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

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Thank You Notes

The Guild sometimes receives thanks of donations in the community. We recently received the following and want to share to all members. Our work is valued.

"Dear Hummingbird Quilt Guild,
My name is (held back)'
I recently came across one of your quilts while fleeing a domestic violence life altering event. I was comforted by the authenticity of the stitches and beautiful display of patterns within the quilts. I immediately became compelled to flip the quilt over, and so I did. I am glad that I flipped the quilt to find the name of the Hummingbird Association. I am writing this to say thank you for allowing your gifts of quilting and creativity to be exemplified. Just looking at your handmade and authentic quilt personally gave me a sense of home and comfort from the harsh trauma endured throughout my life. Seeing your quilt gave me the courage to believe that I will be okay moving forward in life.
Please continue to make beautiful quilts as you can. My sincere desire for you is that the good and powerful God of all will keep, protect, provide for you all and keep you all and bless you always continually.

Sincerely Yours Gratefully,"

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We received a thank you note from another grateful recipient,



"Thank you for your kindness and generosity. I have received one of your quilts since starting chemo treatments in May. It is beautiful, it is perfect-sized; it is loved. Thank you for sharing your creative beauty in such a wonderful way"

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Project Linus Tucson has also sent a thank-you for our continued support.

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild Membership

April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027

Returning members: Please list your name and only the information that has changed

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Mailing Address: _____ **City:** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Birthday (Month/Day Only) _____

Land Line Phone: ( ) _____ **Cell Phone:** ( ) _____

Email Address: _____

Check All That Apply

- New Membership ☐
- Renewal ☐
- Adult Membership $35 ☐
- Junior Membership $17.50 ☐
- Joining to enter Quilt Show ☐

I understand that the primary goal of the Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild is to promote interest in and an appreciation of quilting and fiber arts and to contribute quilts to the community. To achieve this goal, the Guild has quilt shows, various yearly projects, and monthly programs. By being a member of this Guild's projects, shows and programs I will share my time and talents as generously as I can for the betterment of the Guild.

I give consent for photos of myself and my property to be used in print media, on the Guild website, and on quilt show CDs for promoting Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild and its activities.

Signed: _____

Please make check payable to HSQG and mail to:

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild
P.O. Box 1326
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

Or deliver to the Membership Chair or Treasurer at a HSQG Meeting

For Guild Use Only	
Membership Number	
Check Number/Cash	
Amount Received	
Date Received	

In case of an Emergency, Please Contact: (this information is voluntary)

Name: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

For HSQG Use Only

Entry ID: _____

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Show Entry 2027

Entry form due by Thursday January 21, 2027. No late entries accepted.

Name of quilt maker: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Mobile: _____

Name of quilt: _____

Size: Width_____ Length_____ Perimeter (W+W+L+L) _____inches

Name pattern or design source_____ **Is this a kit?** _____ **Yes** _____**No**

Who quilted this quilt? _____

Hand quilted _____ Machine quilted, computer assisted_____ Machine quilted, free motion _____

Is this quilt for sale? NO_____ YES, list sales price_____ (a 10% handling fee will be paid to the Guild)

If this quilt should be hung with other quilts such as the current challenge or a class, please name_____

Please check the appropriate statement:

_____**My quilt *will not* be judged. (**Please skip to section B.**)** _____ **My quilt *will* be judged**

A ****Judged Quilts Only****

CATEGORY SIZES: Small – perimeter less than 168"
Medium – perimeter 168"-279"
Large – perimeter 280" or greater

Circle one category number in Section A. ***(Please refer to Show Entry and Category Definitions handout)***

1. ***Small Applique***
2. ***Medium and Large Applique***
3. ***Small Pieced***
4. ***Medium Pieced, Computer Assisted Quilting***
5. ***Medium Pieced, Free Motion Quilting***
6. ***Large Pieced, Computer Assisted Quilting***
7. ***Large Pieced, Free Motion***
8. ***Small Mixed Technique***
9. ***Medium and Large Mixed Technique***
10. ***Hand Quilted***
11. ***Non-traditional***
12. ***Machine Embroidery***
13. ***Modern***
14. ***Group***
15. ***Other***

B **All Quilts**

Please attach COLOR photo, 3X5 to 4X6 only. **Trim photo to this size.**
Write your name, quilt name, width, and length on back of photo.
Attach a SHORT (140 words or less) hang tag statement describing your inspiration for this quilt.
Information about your process or techniques is appreciated by the viewers.

I wish to enter the above item and agree to the rules as stated. I understand HSQG will take all reasonable precautions to protect my quilt but cannot be responsible for loss or damage during judging and the quilt show. Insuring the quilt is my responsibility. HSQG has my permission to photograph this quilt and use the photos to promote the guild including website display.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____(Students)

Turn in entry forms to Maggie Allen at any meeting or mail to HSQG PO Box 1326, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-1326.
All forms must arrive by the due date, January 21, 2027.

Remember to attach COLOR photo, 3X5 to 4X6 only.
(You can trim photo to either size)
Write your **name, quilt name, width, and length** on back of photo.

Attach a SHORT (140 words or less) hang tag statement describing your inspiration for this quilt. Information about your process or techniques is appreciated by the viewers.

2027 HSQG Quilt Show Entry Rules and Definitions

RULES:

1. **Deadline for submission of entry forms is January 21, 2027. No late entries accepted. Completed entry forms must include photo and hang tag statement and be received by January 21. Be cautious of the deadline if mailing.**
2. You must have a current HSQG membership to enter.
3. The entry must have been made by the guild member in whole or part.
4. You may enter only one quilt *per judged category*. Judged quilt entries must not have been judged in any other HSQG show.
5. You may enter multiple quilts for *Display* (not judged.) Entries will be accepted on a space-available basis.
6. The Show and Design Chairs reserve the right to limit the number of quilts per person if necessary.
7. A color photo must be submitted with your entry form; 3 x 5 to 4 x 6 only, cut to this size. Write your name, quilt name, width and length on the back of the photo. The Design Committee will assign hanging space using your photo.
8. An entry will be rejected if it is not clean and free of smoke odors and pet hair.
9. All quilts must have a 4-inch hanging sleeve sewn to the back of the quilt. Small quilts can use a 2 inch sleeve.
10. Quilts must have a label with quilter's name and quilt name, sewn on. If the quilt is being judged, the quilter's name must be covered with fabric secured by basting.
11. *All entries* must be brought to the **Ethel Berger Center, 2950 E. Tacoma**, on **March 3, 2027**, from 9:00 - 11:00 am. The Committee will be responsible for getting all quilts to Buena High School on Friday.
12. All entries must be picked up on **Sunday March 7**, from 3:45 – 4:30 pm with the receipt you are given at check-in.
13. The show chairs may re-categorize any entry to comply with the definitions.
14. All quilts purchased at the show will pay the Guild a 10% handling fee as per the bylaws.
15. Entry forms must be turned in to Maggie Allen at any meeting or mailed to the guild at HSQG PO Box 1326, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-1326.
16. **Please don't submit an entry unless you are sure it will be ready for the show!**

CATEGORY DEFINITIONS:

Appliqued: A quilt that is more than 50% appliqued.
Pieced: A quilt that is more than 50% pieced.
Mixed Techniques: A quilt that contains more than one technique in **equal amounts.**
Hand Quilted: Quilts of all sizes and techniques that are hand quilted. (You may also enter hand quilted items in other categories.)
Non-traditional: A quilt created as a work of art, reflecting innovative construction techniques, subject matter and/or materials and using no commercial patterns.
Machine Embroidery: A quilt that is more than 50% machine embroidered, all sizes.
Modern: Any techniques may be used but quilts in this category must feature at least one of the following criteria: 1) a significant amount of negative space, 2) dense graphic quilting, 3) the majority of fabrics used should read as solid.
Group: A quilt made by three or more people.
Other: Techniques not listed such as yo-yo, cathedral window, whole cloth and apparel.

CATEGORY SIZES: Small – perimeter less than 168". **Medium** – perimeter 168"-279". **Large** – perimeter 280" or greater

2026 Awards:

Awarded by the judge:

- First, Second, Third and Honorable Mention ribbons as earned for each category
- Exemplary Hand Quilting, Exemplary Computer Assisted Machine Quilting, Exemplary Free Motion Machine Quilting
- Exemplary Piecing
- Best Modern Quilt, Best Use of Color, Best of Show, Judge's Choice

Awarded based on the quilt show attendee votes: Viewer's Choice Ribbons

Awarded by the Cochise County Sheriff's Assist Team: SAT Award

Awarded by the Quilt Show Chair: HSQG Heart Award

Awarded by Sierra Vista Mayor: Mayor's Award

Application for Members to Vend

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Guild
2027 March 6 & 7

Tables are $25 each with a limit of one 6' table per member selling at the quilt show. Only items that are handmade by guild members and are not sold through commercial venues are eligible to be sold in the member vendor area. This form must be completed and payment made by February 14, 2027.

There are 10 tables available. First come, first served. Please make checks payable to HSQG.

Drop off completed applications with payment at the guild or mail to:

Wendy Hirsch 1113 E Lena Way, Huachuca City, AZ 85616

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____State:_____Zipcode_____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Need electricity yes/no

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR MEMBERS TO VEND

1. Only items that are handmade by guild members and are not sold through commercial venues are eligible to be sold in the member vendor area.
2. All tables must be manned during the hours of the quilt show. Your presence at the tables maintains security and increases your sales. Please feel free to arrange a schedule with family and friends.
3. Tables must be kept neat and presentable at all times. Please keep a pathway around your table to minimize the risks of potential accidents.
4. Backdrops and tablecloths are your responsibility.
5. All vendors are required to do their own cashiering. Please keep appropriate cash on hand to make your own change.
6. You will be personally responsible for calculating sales tax and acquiring the appropriate business license. Inquire at the City Hall.
7. Vendors may arrive not earlier than 8:00am Saturday and Sunday. "I agree to the terms and conditions of the Hummingbird Stitchers Application for Members to Vend."

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Check #_____Cash_$_____

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 14, 2026 – NEW LOCATION

HUMMINGBIRD STITCHERS QUILT GUILD
Village Meadows Elementary School
905 El Camino Real
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
Hummingbirdquiltguild.com

