



2022 Outreach Projects and Instructions

NEW FOR 2022

OUTREACH QUILT GROUPS

We'll be working in small groups to make outreach quilts this year.

Six small groups have been formed to create an outreach quilt. Each group will decide what to make and where to donate its quilt.

Members will provide materials, working from stashes or pooling funds to buy new fabrics. Batting will be provided by the guild. A limited number of backing fabrics will be available at the March Sew-In.

Groups are encouraged to meet in person at least once for a work day during the year. There is a virtual/long distance group for those who live far away or have trouble making meetings.

Important dates:

Feb 13 (February Meeting) Last day to choose quilt design. Time will be allotted at the end of the meeting for groups to meet and make their decisions.

Mar 13 March Sew-In. Distribute materials and begin work.

May 15 May Sew-In

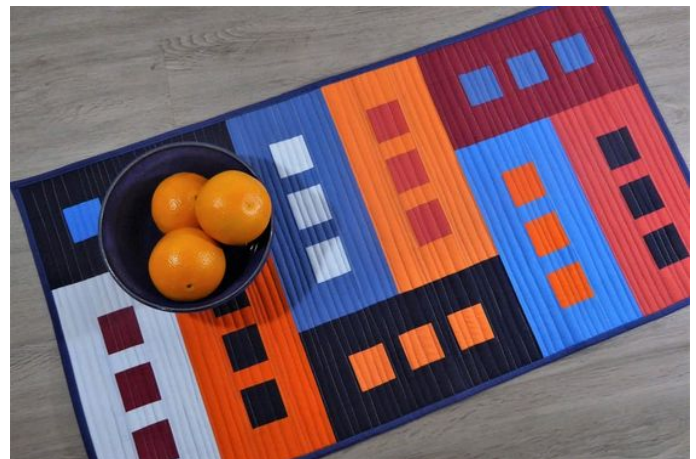
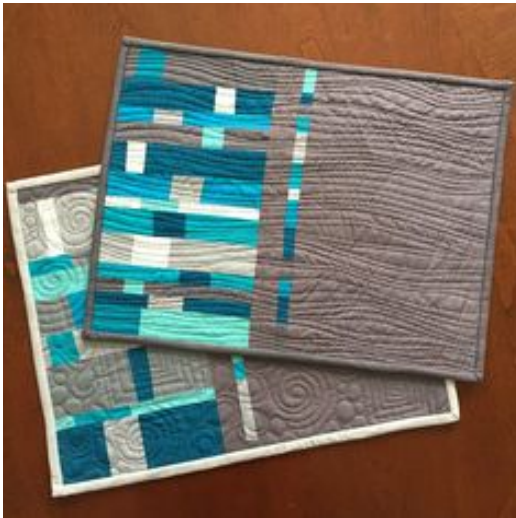
Aug 14 Guild retreat. Quilt tops completed by the end of the retreat and presented at the August meeting.

Oct 9 Finished quilts presented at the meeting.

*ONGONG- PLACEMATS FOR MIFA

Back by popular demand! Several members asked that we continue this project and MIFA was happy to agree.

All placemats will be distributed to the recipients of Meals on Wheels in the Mid-South.



GUIDELINES FOR PLACEMATS

1. Placemats should measure approximately 12" x 16"
2. Placemats should be sturdy and colorfast to withstand frequent washing and drying.
3. Do not use holiday designs as placemats will be used all year.
4. **Do** use bright colors and high contrast designs. Placemat recipients are elderly and may have impaired vision. Unisex designs are best.
5. **Avoid large areas of white or very light pastels so that food stains won't show**
6. Use low-loft batting or fusible fleece so that plates will lie flat. Fusible interfacing on the top layer would be helpful, but is not required.
7. To finish, machine bind placemats OR sew right sides together, turn and topstitch.

*Ongoing - Quilts for LeBonheur Patients

LeBonheur Quilts are a perennial favorite in the MAMQG. We look forward to our annual trip to distribute love, warmth and comfort to kids on the Infant and Toddler floor at LeBonheur Children's Medical Center. This floor is for little ones who do not require the ICU but need an extended hospital stay.

We take at least 24 quilts so that we will have something for every child if the floor is full. The date of our visit is TBA.

Final collection will be at the July meeting.

Quilt Specifications:

1. Quilt size is approximately 36" - 45" square. No longer than 45" on any side.
2. Unisex designs are preferred so that there will be something suitable for everyone.
3. Wash your quilt before turning it in or bringing it to the hospital. Be sure your quilt is free of pet hair, dirt or odors.
4. Machine binding is preferred since the quilts are for small children.
5. Use colors and designs appropriate for children.

