

## Our History

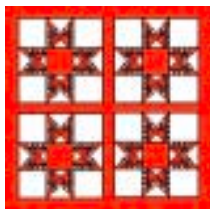
### The Dream is real...

Along with the first Quilt Show in Stevenson, WA in the year 2000 quilters had a dream to bring a guild to the Columbia River Gorge. For six years, the three-day September show grew, drawing national teachers, providing local classes, quilt judging, a shop walk, posters and many, many vendors. The show was a local treasure with a regional reputation. The Guild continues the legacy; we are building upon that foundation formed by the many dedicated quilters of the Stevenson Quilt Show, hence our name, Columbia River Gorge Quilters' Guild. (CRGQG)

We honor all the quilters from the past and embrace our new members. The CRGQG reaches out to quilters on both sides of the Columbia River from Washougal, WA to Arlington, OR; from Goldendale, WA to Grass Valley, OR. Our membership grew to over 100 quilt enthusiasts in 2007. Our members reach well beyond the Gorge.

CRGQG holds a national-level quilt show in the Gorge bringing celebrity teachers to the area for the benefit of members and guests, the first to be in the year 2008.

Many quilters stitched their way to where we are today and all deserve our heartfelt thanks. Past quilters started something that grew an organized Guild and Gorge Quilt Show. The Guild applauds those who quilt in Moro, Wamic, Carson, Goldendale, Cascade Locks, Lyle, Grass Valley, Maupin and all the places in-between. The Guild serves you, your group and quilting.



## Meetings

Meetings are held on **the third Saturday**, four times a year, in February, May, August and November. Meeting location moves around within the Gorge. Meetings are structured to provide fellowship, display quilt projects, learn of upcoming events and participation in scheduled programs. Each meeting has a featured presenter.

All members are encouraged to improve their skills by participating in the various lectures, classes, workshops and seminars. Workshops follow regular meetings.

The Gorge quilt show offers the opportunity to display your work and be judged, a vendors mall close to home and three days of seminars with international and national

## Public Service

As a non-profit corporation CRGQG participates in community service projects as requested by local organizations and approved by membership.

If your area has a project you think needs our help, you are invited to submit a proposal to CRGQG. If your local quilt group needs the support of the Guild membership, contact the Charity project chair. All donated hours make a difference, and count towards our not-for-profit status.

Columbia River Gorge Quilters is incorporated in the state of Oregon as a "public charity" non-profit corporation with 501 (c) (3) status.

<http://www.gorgequiltersguild.org/>

# Columbia River Gorge Quilters' Guild

*Sharing the Art of  
Quilting in the Gorge*



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## Membership

**The purpose** of Columbia River Gorge Quilters' Guild is to promote cooperation and exchange of ideas among those interested in or engaged in quilting, to encourage and maintain high standards of quilting design and workmanship, to instruct members in methods and techniques of creative quilting, to inspire personal achievements and to hold an annual quilt show in the Columbia River Gorge.

**Membership** in this Guild is open to anyone interested in quilting. Quilters and those interested in quilting, beginners, expert quilters, quilt teachers and "sit and sew" friends" are all welcome in the CRGQG. Our members support existing local groups, local quilt shops and the annual Columbia River Gorge Quilt Show. As our membership grows the Guild can offer additional programs and services to benefit quilters on a scale local groups cannot afford. CRGQG actively promotes local quilt groups. We provide a learning environment for all and share our passion for quilts.

**Become a member today.** Make an investment in quilting in the Columbia River Gorge and in your own quilting growth and creativity.



## Benefits of Membership

- ☞ Regional meetings in your area, meetings are held throughout the greater Gorge close to your home.
- ☞ Quarterly meetings - each with an educational lecture, demonstration, or trunk show presented by a northwest quilt teacher.
- ☞ Reduced rates on classes and local seminars for all guild members.
- ☞ Quarterly newsletter with regional information sharing what quilter friends are doing.
- ☞ A website listing Guild activities.
- ☞ Exhibition and judging opportunities.
- ☞ Promotional opportunities for local events, services and shops.
- ☞ Sharing the friendship and showing members' quilting projects.
- ☞ The Gorge Quilt Show
- ☞ Community Quilts.

## Workshops and Lectures

Our programs grow as the membership grows. Currently we offer one or two workshops for a fee following the quarterly meetings. We hope to expand the workshops.

Each year we bring nationally known quilt experts offering lectures and classes on their quilting specialty in conjunction with the annual quilt show staged in the Gorge.

## Columbia River Gorge Quilters' Guild Membership Application

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Name

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Address

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City

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State and Zip

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Area Code and Telephone

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Email address

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Local Quilt Group

### Your Areas of Interest:

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**Dues: \$25 per year**  
Membership year is Feb 1-Jan 31

**Please mail check to:**  
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