



As November kicks off and we finalize preparations for our Veterans Day program, we are reminded of the unwavering service the men and women in the armed forces provide for us each and every day.

To show our appreciation for their sacrifice and dedication, we couldn't think of a better way than to honor our veterans and active-duty military personnel with free admission to The National Quilt Museum for the entire month of November.

If you know a veteran or a service member, please spread the word, as we can't wait to welcome them to our galleries filled with the world's best quilts, and now through December 30, the Quilts of Valor: *Countdown to America250* exhibition. Read on to learn more about this special exhibition debuting at The National Quilt Museum.

On Veterans Day, November 11, at 4:30 p.m., we will host a Quilts of Valor Award Ceremony. Eleven service members and veterans will be presented with a quilt from the Quilts of Valor Foundation, led by representative Nancy Cann. The Paducah Police Department Honor Guard will present the colors. The program is free and open to the public, and we hope that you will join us.

We're also thrilled to announce that Charles Cameron will be at the museum for three days in November for two meet and greets and an artist talk about his exhibition *A Curious Modern Quilter*. See the article about Charles's visit and his upcoming workshop for more details.

One last reminder, don't forget to enter our Fall Sweepstakes before it ends on November 30th. You could win *At Home in the Woods*, a beautiful quilt designed by McKenna Ryan, quilted by Lori Marvel in 2000, and donated by Martha Martyn. It's free to enter (no purchase necessary), thanks to one of our newest sponsors, AARP Kentucky. [Enter For a Chance to Win Here.](#)

Happy Quilting!

Bonnie



Bonnie Schrock
Executive Director
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Our Featured November Quilt Image From Quilts of Valor

This month's featured November Quilt Image is *The Gathering*, designed by Nancy Cann. It is one of the twelve quilts featured in the Quilts of Valor: *Countdown to America250* exhibition.

Learn more about how this exhibition came to be in this video led by The National Quilt Museum Curator, Rachael Baar, who takes us behind the scenes with representatives from the Quilts of Valor Foundation. The *Countdown to America250* exhibition commemorates the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The Quilts of Valor Foundation was founded in 2003 with the mission to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. To date, the foundation has presented 400,000 quilts, made by more than 11,000 members of Quilts of Valor, to service members and veterans nationwide.



The Gathering by Nancy Cann



Mark Your Calendars! Charles Cameron is coming to The National Quilt Museum!

In November, Charles will join us for multiple appearances to discuss his current exhibition, *A Curious Modern Quilter*.

- Meet & Greet on Tuesday, November 18th, from 2 – 4 p.m.
- Artist Talk Taping on Wednesday, November 19th, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon
- Meet & Greet on Thursday, November 20th from, 2 – 3:30 p.m.

In March, Charles will return to teach a three-day workshop, *Crooked Crosses & Bent Boxes*, from March 12-14, 2026.

[Learn more and register for the workshop](#), as space is limited.



We Scored a Match!

Moda Fabrics and two anonymous donors have committed to matching donor contributions of up to \$50,000 now through January 31, 2026! Now, we need your help in taking advantage of this incredible opportunity.

Without our donors' generosity and goodwill, we would not be able to achieve our mission in both purpose and capacity. Please help us make the match and receive an additional \$50,000. [Click here to donate](#).

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Submit Your Entry for “New Quilts From an Old Favorite”

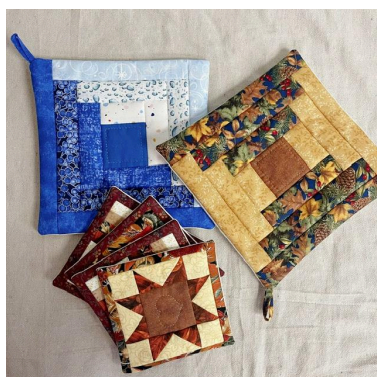
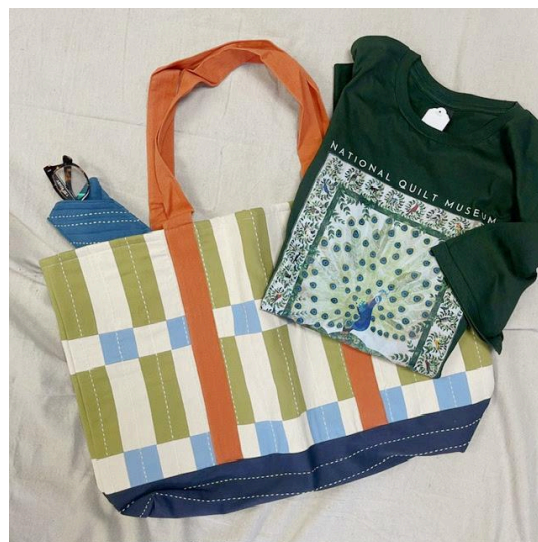
Entries for the 2026 New Quilts from an Old Favorite competition and exhibition are now being accepted through January 14, 2026. The theme is “Food,” and the quilt must be about food in some recognizable way and include an interpretation of a traditional block pattern of your choosing. All quilts must be original designs.

To see past winners, read more about the competition, view entry rules, and submit your entry, [click here](#).

Holiday Shopping Made Easy

We are pleased to announce that The National Quilt Museum's Online Gift Shop has been completely revamped and restocked, just in time for the holidays! We think you're going to love it.

[Click here to see all the new merchandise](#) and fun things to buy (for yourself) and others. Watch for an email from us later this month with a link to a video featuring the NQM Gift Shop Buyer, Meghan Brown. She will show us a few of the newest items and some popular gift choices for everyone on your list (even kids!).



Collection Quilt Highlight – Stars & Stripes Sampler

Made by Marianne Fons and Liz Porter of Winterset, Iowa, *Stars & Stripes Sampler*, was machine quilted by Jean Nolte in 2001. The quilt measures 80 x 98 inches, and the materials used were cottons.

“We have loved quilt making ever since we learned how in the 1970s. Our designs have always been geared for mainstream quilters and presented to them through our books; our magazine, ‘Love of Quilt,’ and our television programs on public TV.

Often inspired by the works of anonymous nineteenth-and early twentieth-century American quilters, we enjoy simplifying and updating basic techniques in order to make projects easy and accessible for today’s hobby quilters.”

Marianne Fons & Liz Porter



Stars & Stripes Sampler by
Marianne Fons and Liz Porter

To view more of the [NQM Collection click here](#).

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Forest on Fire by Birgitta Jadenfelt

***SAQA Primal Forces: Fire
Exhibition***

Through December 2, 2025



Marlene Bennett Jones, *Medallion*, 2002

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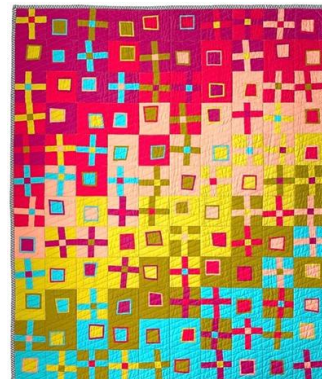
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***Whiles I Yet Live: Matriarchy and
Generational Exchange in Gee's
Bend***

Through December 28, 2025



Flags of Our Fathers Designed and
quilted by Kris Vierra



Crooked Crosses by Charles Cameron

***Charles Cameron: A Curious
Modern Quilter***

Quilts of Valor: Countdown To
America250
Through December 30, 2025

Through March 24, 2026



Serenity by Molly Hamilton-McNally

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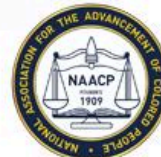
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