



Glendale Quilt Guild
Block of the Month/Block Exchanges & Quilt Challenges
Procedures and Timelines October 5, 2020

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General Information:

The primary source of information for all Block of the Month (BOM) programs is the Newsletter and Website, support is provided by the Email Blast. Photos of finished blocks or quilts should be shared with Face Book and Instagram chairs. Patterns for blocks may be shared on Social Media at the discretion of the program Chair. Prizes, etc. would be limited to GQG Guild Members.

This document has been prepared during the Covid-19 pandemic and the guild is currently meeting using Zoom. As part of planning to return to group meetings the Board will need to consider the logistics of sharing information with, and from, guild members who are unable to meet in person to ensure the needs of members are being served.

We now have members who live in other states. It is important to provide distanced members the same amount of time to complete projects, whenever possible, as we do local members. This could be accomplished by having the due date include submissions that are handed in as well as those postmarked by that same date. An emailed/texted photo of the mailed submission must be sent by the due date so that the Chair knows what mailed submissions to expect. Considerations for distanced members are also needed when there are "extras" needed for a BOM.

All programs begin with a presentation to the Executive Board for feedback and scheduling approval.

Timeline #1: "Keep the Blocks, No Extras Provided"

Block of the Month timeline with no extras, such as fabric swatch, pick a theme, etc., to be distributed at the General Meeting. (Assumes a six month program, but the period of time is variable.)

Month 1:

- Introduce BOM and post block pattern #1 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #1 on website
 - (Alternative, post all BOM patterns to website at the same time to save costs)
- Show block pattern #1 sample(s) at General Meeting

Month 2:

- Post block pattern #2 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #2 on website
- Show block pattern #2 sample(s) at General Meeting
- Members show block #1 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 3:

- Post block pattern #3 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #3 on website
- Show block pattern #3 sample(s) at General Meeting
- Members show block #2 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 4:

- Post block pattern #4 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #4 on website
- Show block pattern #4 sample(s) at General Meeting
- Members show block #3 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 5:

- Post block pattern #5 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #5 on website
- Show block pattern #5 sample(s) at General Meeting
- Members show block #4 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 6:

- Post block pattern #6 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #6 on website
- Show block pattern #6 sample(s) at General Meeting
- Members show block #5 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 7:

- Post layout options in Newsletter
- Show layout options at General Meeting
- Members show block #6 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 8:

- Show and Tell participants quilt tops at General Meeting, onward

Timeline #2: "Keep the Blocks, With Extras Provided"

Block of the Month timeline with extras which need to be distributed at a General Meeting, such as a fabric swatch, or the selection of a theme for each block, etc. (Assumes a six month program, but the period of time is variable.)

Month 1:

- Introduce BOM in Newsletter
- Show block pattern #1 sample(s) at General Meeting, plus distribute extras
- Post block pattern #1 on website, immediately following General Meeting
 - (Alternative, post all patterns to website when possible at the same time to save costs)

Month 2:

- Post block pattern #1 in Newsletter
- Show block pattern #2 sample(s) at General Meeting, plus distribute extras
- Post block pattern #2 on website, immediately following General Meeting
- Members show block #1 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 3:

- Post block pattern #2 in Newsletter
- Show block pattern #3 sample(s) at General Meeting, plus distribute extras
- Post block pattern #3 on website, immediately following General Meeting
- Members show block #2 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 4:

- Post block pattern #3 in Newsletter
- Show block pattern #4 sample(s) at General Meeting, plus distribute extras
- Post block pattern #4 on website, immediately following General Meeting
- Members show block #3 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 5:

- Post block pattern #4 in Newsletter
- Show block pattern #5 sample(s) at General Meeting, plus distribute extras
- Post block pattern #5 on website, immediately following General Meeting
- Members show block #4 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 6:

- Post block pattern #5 in Newsletter
- Show block pattern #6 sample(s) at General Meeting, plus distribute extras
- Post block pattern #6 on website, immediately following General Meeting
- Members show block #5 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 7:

- Post block pattern #6 in Newsletter
- Show layout options at General Meeting
- Members show block #6 at General Meeting (Show and Tell)

Month 8:

- Post layout options in Newsletter
- Members show finished quilts at Show and Tell, onward

Timeline #3: "Winner Takes All"

This timeline assumes participants will add their blocks to a pool and a winner or winners will be drawn based on the number of blocks collected. Photos of finished blocks should be shared with Face Book and Instagram chairs. Accommodations can be made for distanced members to participate by the Chair of the BOM.

Month 1:

- Introduce BOM and post block pattern #1 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #1 on website
 - (Alternative, post all BOM patterns to website at the same time to save costs)
- Show block pattern #1 sample(s) at General Meeting

Month 2:

- Post block pattern #2 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #2 on website
- Show block pattern #2 sample(s) at General Meeting
- (Pre-Covid) Members turn in block #1 at General Meeting and receive a raffle ticket for each block
- (Pre-Covid) Blocks #1 are displayed during meeting and a winner/winners are selected to receive the blocks.
- (Post-Covid) Members drop off block #1 at an announced location
- (Post-Covid) Blocks #1 are displayed at the Virtual General Meeting, and a winner/winners is announced
- (Post-Covid) Winner receives blocks #1

Month 3:

- Post block pattern #3 in Newsletter
- Post block pattern #3 on website
- Show block pattern #3 sample(s) at General Meeting
- (Pre-Covid) Members turn in blocks #2 at General Meeting and receive a raffle ticket for each block
- (Pre-Covid) Blocks #2 are displayed during meeting and a winner/winners are selected to receive the blocks.
- (Post-Covid) Members drop off blocks #2 at an announced location
- (Post-Covid) Blocks #2 are displayed at the Virtual General Meeting, and a winner/winners is announced
- (Post-Covid) Winner receives blocks #2

Continue as long as desired.

Timeline #4: Block Exchange and Challenge Quilts

This timeline is for Block Exchanges and Challenge Quilts. A three month period is assumed, and can be changed as needed. Accommodations can be made for distanced members to participate by the Chair of the BOM.

Month 1:

- Introduce Block Exchange pattern/Challenge Quilt in Newsletter
- Post Block Exchange pattern/Challenge Quilt guidelines on website
- Show Block Exchange samples/Challenge Quilt guidelines at General Meeting

Month 2:

- Post block Exchange pattern/Challenge Quilt guidelines in Newsletter
- Remind Participants of Block Exchange and Challenge Quilts deadline at General Meeting

Month 3: (Block Exchange)

- Post block exchange pattern reminder in Newsletter
- (pre Covid-19) Collect and sort Block Exchange blocks at General Meeting and return to participants
- (post Covid-19) Remind members of drop off location for Block Exchange blocks, collect and return Block Exchange blocks to participants

Month 3: (Quilt Challenge)

- Post Quilt Challenge reminder in Newsletter
- (pre Covid-19) Collect and Display Challenge Quilts at General Meeting for voting and take pictures of all Challenge Quilts
- (pre Covid-19) Award prizes/ribbons and return to participants
- (post Covid-19) Remind members of drop off location for Challenge Quilts and to send pictures to designated Guild member
- Collect Challenge Quilts

Month 4: (Quilt Challenge)

- (Post Covid-19) Post photos of Challenge Quilts in Newsletter
- (Post Covid-19) Figure out voting method
- Publicize Challenge Winners at General Meeting and next Newsletter
- Return quilts and prizes/ribbons, if awarded, to participants