



**Ready for our December (Special!) Sewday?**

- 1) It's the **FIRST Sunday**: 7 December, 2025
- 2) Party time! Wear something festive (however tiny!)
- 3) Bring something for the Lucky Door prize Christmas Hamper
- 4) Bring a sewing-themed gift, wrapped, for the Secret Santa game (value approx. \$20)
- 5) It's the day our **Dotty Improv Challenge 2025** is due! Challenge guidelines are on our private FB Group and will be attached to this email too. The challenge will be judged by members, there will be special award categories, and there will be prizes.  
(Prizes may or may not be themed...)



**2026 Sydney Modern Quilt Guild Retreat:**

After last May's successful, productive, fun, retreat we're heading back to Bundanoon next year.

The date will be announced at the **December Sewday** Expressions of Interest will open in mid-January.





### Ahead of the Curve @ PACC Cessnock:

If you're looking for a day trip over the summer break, we highly recommend this show – curated by sometime member (now with Melbourne MQG) & long-time friend of SMQG: Tara Glastonbury. It's a select but comprehensive showing of Aussie quilters' work, looking at different interpretations of curves in modern quilt design. Open until 31 January.

Louisa Wright and Kate Shea travelled up to Cessnock in late November for the free workshop with Tara, organised by the gallery. She was a great tutor, and generous with her ideas and time.

Tara works hard to raise the profile of Modern Quilting in Australia. It's worth supporting her efforts and inspiration in curating this and her similar exhibitions in recent years: these shows travel all over Australia & internationally too. (NB: member Wendy Nutt has a couple of quilts hanging).



### Reminder of our 2026 Sewdays:

Sunday Sewdays @ Ashfield have been booked for the first half of next year, and posted to the Guild website.

- 18 January
- 8 February
- 8 March
- 12 April
- 17 May
- 14 June

If you have friends who are interested in joining, please note that visitors are always welcome to come along to our Sewdays for free. After 2 meetings, if they wish to continue to attend they are required to join SMQG as full members.

### Modern Quilt Show Australia update:



#### **@Petersham Town Hall**

Showcasing the best of Modern Quilting in Australia  
Friday to Sunday  
13-15 March

#### **MQSA Events:**

The workshops and talks have been really popular. Some spots are still available for most events on the schedule.

There's a great variety of subject matter, and tutors sharing their knowledge.

Follow this link to find out more:

<https://www.modernquiltshowaustralia.com/events/>

Please note, some sessions have already sold out – so don't wait too long if you're still thinking about booking.

#### **ENTRIES NOW CLOSED**

**- acceptance emails to be sent out mid-December**

#### **Raffle Tickets:**

Reminding everyone that due to the venue change, we have to reprint raffle tickets.

**Please don't sell any more of the original ones.**

Please return all unsold tickets to Anita Brown.

Any that you have already sold will be replaced with new tickets. New tickets will be available soon.

### Welcome!

A couple more new members joined us last month: anyone attending our November Sewday will have already met & welcomed Vicki & Michelle. But for everyone else, please keep an eye open in our private FB Group and say "Hi!"

So please give a warm, quilting welcome to:

Michelle Kistima-Menser  
Vicki Ieroklis

### And finally...

Wherever you'll be, whoever you're with, and whether you get some sewing time in or not, we send best wishes to all of you and yours for the festive season.

**Happy Quilting &  
Happy Holidays!**  
With best wishes  
from your committee