



Detail from *View from Above* by Carmel Tonkin

MQSA WRAP UP!

Enormous appreciation from everyone on the MQSA Organising Committee to all our members (and families!) who showed up that week in March: for judging, set-up, duties at the show, and take-down.

The energy and hours put in by all of us directly contributed to the great success of the show. We have received so much positive feedback from the public, from leadership of other MQGs, and from Modern quilters & groups nationwide—they are so pleased that we brought back this properly modern, truly Aussie showcase for modern quilts.

But there is no doubt that it took an immense effort by our whole Sydney MQG membership to make everything run as smoothly as it did.

So, thank you all!

Congratulations to all our members who had quilts juried into the show (and an extra special pat on the back to those who won awards, see pics):

Anita Brown	Sara Prince
Catherine Butterworth	Rebecca Gray-Schwarz
Rachael Doyle	Helen Tait
Deni Gliddon	Carmel Tonkin
Rebecca Hastings	Kathy Troup
Helen Hill	Alan Tremain
Sharon Marley	Grace Widders
Fiona McDonald	Louisa Wright
Catherine Mosely	

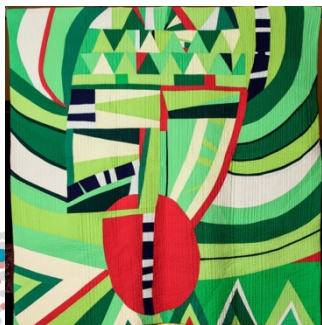
Both the standard and total number of entries was very high. Unfortunately, the national jury panel could not accept all the quilts entered (due to space limitations), and the jurists worked hard to ensure every quilt met the modern criteria appropriate for its category. So having your quilt accepted to hang was a major achievement!

NB: All prize-winners now posted to the MQSA website: <https://www.modernquiltshowaustralia.com/show-winners-2026/>

Kathy Troup (2x):
Red 2nd - Improv



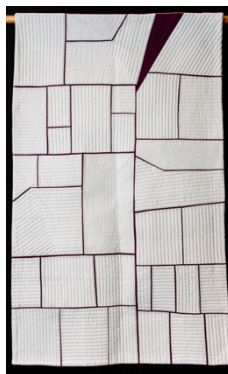
Zebra Path of Treelight
JC: Improv



Rebecca Hastings: No Shrinking Violet
Judge's Choice: Belinda von Mengersen



Carmel Tonkin:
View from Above Amateur Award
(also see detail on banner)



Catherine Butterworth:
Fantastic Plastic -1st: ModTrad



Sara Prince:
Do Lizards Have Teeth? 3rd - Improv
Judge's Choice: Wendy Nutt



Volunteers (& family members) **Eugene & Rachel** take a breather after finishing the photography of every single quilt!

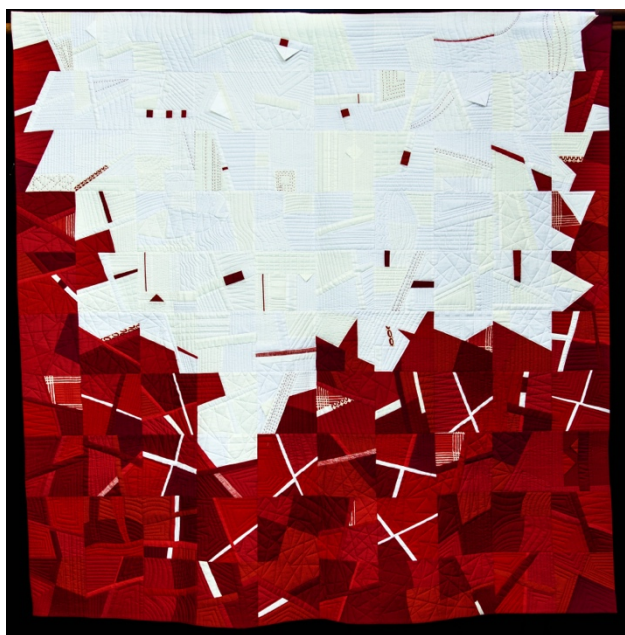
The amazing **MQSA Committee** members from Wollongong & Sydney captured at the end of a successful show



Best in Show winner
Pip Porter w/ her quilt *Hot Flush*
& Cath Quinlan from Blessington



Hot Flush in full
glorious technicolour!



MQG & QuiltCon Exec Director: **Karen Cooper (L)**
& Guest Artist & Judge: **Tania Tanti**



That beautiful rosette!
Amazing job
Anita & Helen H



Funds Raised for OWN NSW

Wollongong MQG's beautiful quilt *Tilted Tiles* raised **\$2400** for the Older Women's Network of NSW – specifically to support their 'Buy a Brick' Campaign.

The MQG – international

We hope several of you got the chance to meet Karen Cooper – Exec Director of the MQG & QuiltCon. Still exhausted from the gigantic commitment of QuiltCon, she flew in from America & immediately (literally!) started to help with set-up. carrying gear, building frames: no fuss... She was delightful: sharing stories, information and praise of the significant contribution Australians make on the MQG world scene. The Guild also supported us with a generous grant towards show costs, plus several cash prizes.

Remember Joining Sydney MQG automatically gives you membership of our international guild and access to their generous library of resources, webinars, BoM patterns, etc. If you need help setting up your access to the members-only section of the website, please let us know (it's password protected):

<https://community.themodernquiltguild.com/member-resources/>

New Members!

Please welcome new members and old friends... We look forward to getting to know you all, and your work – sharing ideas, techniques & inspiration.

Janna DeVlyder	Anne Tegg
Desley Harris	Carmel Tonkin
Fiona McDonald	Anne Wajon
Lynelle Sealey	Merryl Wells

2026 Sunday Sewdays

Ashfield RSL: 11:00am – 4:00pm

See our website for dates & more information.

<https://www.sydneymqg.com.au/meetings/>

*Best wishes for happy quilting,
from your committee*

All done until next time...
Thank you, Petersham Town Hall!

