

*Lake Michigan
Sampler Guild*

Memories of 2014

2014 Calendar

The following is a calendar of the scheduled Lake Michigan Sampler Guild meetings, workshops, and special events for 2014. Most of the Lake Michigan Sampler Guild meetings are held at the [Community Center](#) in Wheaton, Illinois. Calendars from [past years](#) are also available in our programs archive.

Date/Time	Program
1/19/2014 1:30 – 4:00	2014 Stitcher's Challenge & New Year's Resolutions Meeting at Wheaton Community Center
2/9/2014 1:30-4:00	What samplers do members study / collect? Meeting at Wheaton Community Center
3/9/2014 1:30-4:00	Stitch-In & Member exchange of Favorite Tips & 2015 program ideas Do you have a special interest to share with LMSG members? Meeting at Designers Desk in Geneva IL
4/13/2014 1:30-4:00	Lecture – Mary Queen of Scots Embroidery Visited Kathy Matthews Meeting at Church of the Brethren General Offices 1451 Dundee Ave Elgin, IL
	No meeting in May
6/20/2014 9:00-4:00	Edinburgh Reticule Workshop Betsy Morgan Workshop at Church of the Brethren General Offices 1451 Dundee Ave Elgin, IL
6/21/2014 & 6/22/2014 9:00-4:00	The Elizabethan Casket Etui Workshop Betsy Morgan Workshop at Wheaton Community Center
7/13/2014 1:30-4:00	2014 July Guild Picnic Meeting at Home of Susan Balsai
	No meeting in August
CANCELLED 9/13/2014- 9/14/2014 9:00-4:00	What Is That Symbol On That Casket? or Sampler ...or Cushion Cover....or Sweet Bag? Marylyn Doyle Workshop at Church of the Brethren General Offices

Date/Time	Program
10/19/2014 1:30-4:00	2014 Anniversary Party Meeting at Wheaton Community Center
11/9/2014 1:30-4:00	2014 Holiday Party and Ornament Exchange Meeting at Home of Susan Balsai

2014 Stitcher's Challenge

On Sunday, January 19th, we'll start the year right with the Stitcher's Challenge! Bring in your projects that you contracted to finish (completed or not!) from 2013 for a show and tell. We'll meet at the Wheaton Community Center at 1:30.

Go through your stash of unfinished projects and find one to commit (Oh, that dreaded 6 letter word!) to completing in 2014. We'll go over the projects that we want to complete and complete our "contracts". We'll keep track of our progress throughout the year and encourage each other to finish our UFO's!

- [Contract form in PDF format](#)

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02/09/2014 February Meeting

Please join us on Sunday, February 9th at 1:30 at the Wheaton Community Center for our next meeting. The topic will be what samplers do members study / collect? For example – American, English, etc. A list of members and their special interest will be created for reference.

[‹ 2014 Stitcher's Challenge](#)

[Save the Stitches Online Project ›](#)

03/09/2014 Show and Tell

Marilyn Vanover and one other member brought items for show and tell at our March meeting:



Gay Ann Rogers



Old sampler 1



Old sampler 2



Old sampler 3



Old sampler 4



Old sampler 5



Old Sampler 6

[‹ 04/13/2014 April Meeting](#)

[07/13/2014 Guild Picnic ›](#)

04/13/2014 April Meeting

Please join us for our April meeting on Sunday, April 13th at 1:30. The program will be a lecture on Mary Queen of Scots and Her Embroidery given by Kathy Matthews.

For centuries, many have been fascinated by Mary's tragic life. Kathy Matthews has studied the Queen's life and her embroidery for over ten years. This study led to her interest in Scottish Samplers which was the subject of her Master Judge Certification project for the American Needlepoint Guild which was presented in 2011. Kathy's lecture will focus on the collections of Mary's embroidery she has recently visited in both England and Scotland.



Meeting at: ***** New Location *****

Church of the Brethren General Offices
1451 Dundee Ave
Elgin, IL

[Directions](#)



[◀ 06/21/2014-06/22/2014 Elizabethan Casket Etui Workshop](#)

[03/09/2014 Show and Tell ▶](#)

06/20/2014 Edinburgh Reticule Workshop

Edinburgh Reticule

Betsy Morgan

Friday, June 20, 2014 9am – 4pm

Deadline to Register May 1, 2014 since there is pre-work which will be mailed.

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$125.00 DUE BY APRIL 30, 2014

Additional teaching fee to be determined due on the day of the workshop.

Ghost stitchers are not permitted for this class.



Edinburgh Reticule Back



Edinburgh Reticule Front

To register,
email [Kathy Matthews at KLMatthews510@aol.com](mailto:KLMatthews510@aol.com) and
use the [Contact Us](#) link at the top of the page to
contact our Treasurer [Joyce Reid](#) regarding payment for the workshop.

The Edinburgh Reticule is a shield-shaped stitching bag similar to one in the collection at The Palace of Holyrood House former home of Mary Queen of Scots. It consists of four exterior panels, two of linen and two of silk Dupioni, and is lined

in the same silk. It has a bead-and-loop closure and a cord handle. Tucked inside are two “smalls” — a needle book and a scissor fob. The needle book is embellished with silk ribbon and contains wool felt needle pages. The fob rests on a cord embellished with a tassel. The linen panels of the reticule are approximately 4" x 5".

The motifs stitched on the reticule and smalls were inspired by embroidered Scottish Regimental Guidons from Edinburgh Castle and by the embroidery of Mary Stewart. Motifs include Tudor roses, shamrocks, thistles, vines, leaves and crowns. Some of the motifs are raised and padded with felt before stitching. Stitches include cross, tent, satin, spiral trellis, back stitch and soft shading. One of the “smalls” will be pre-stitched and constructed in class.

The reticule is stitched on 32-count platinum Belfast® linen with DMC® pearl cotton and Gloriana over-dyed silk flosses. The color palette is predominantly red, gold, green, sage, white and black. The kit includes all supplies needed to complete the design.

Workshop is at:

[Church of the Brethren General Offices](#)

1451 Dundee Ave

Elgin, IL

◀ 02/09/2014 Show and Tell

06/21/2014-06/22/2014 Elizabethan Casket Etui Workshop ▶

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Elizabethan Casket Etui

Betsy Morgan

Saturday & Sunday, June 21-22, 2014 9am – 4pm

Deadline to Register May 1, 2014 since there is pre-work which will be mailed.

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$150.00 IS DUE BY APRIL 30, 2014

Additional teaching fee to be determined due on the day of the workshop.

Ghost stitchers are not permitted for this class.



Casket Front



Casket Back

To register,

email Kathy Matthews at KLMatthews510@aol.com and

use the [Contact Us](#) link at the top of the page to

contact our Treasurer Joyce Reid regarding payment for the workshop.

Elizabethan Casket Etui is a stitcher's toolbox, shaped like embroidered caskets from the Elizabethan era, with five "smalls" to tuck inside. The theme of this design is samplers from different countries –

- The box is American and English
- The pin cushion is Scottish
- The needle book is Spanish and Mexican
- The scissor fob is Quaker
- The thimble bag is Dutch

- The scissor sheath is English pattern darning
- The thimble bag will be pre-stitched and then constructed in class.

Stitches used in this design include: cross, tent, cross over one, satin, four-sided, eyelet, queen, double running, long arm cross, Smyrna cross, back stitch, Aztec stitch, and pattern darning.

Kit includes 32 count Platinum Belfast linen, silk Duponi, silk and cotton threads, silk ribbon, interfacing, wool felt, beds, needles, charts, instructions and color photocopies.

Workshop is at the Wheaton Community Center.

[◀ 06/20/2014 Edinburgh Reticule Workshop](#)

[04/13/2014 April Meeting ▶](#)

07/13/2014 Guild Picnic

Join us for our annual guild picnic at the home of Susan Balsai on Sunday, July 13th at 1:30. The guild will provide the main course, chips, drinks and paper goods. If you like, you can bring a salad, dessert or other goodies.

‹ [03/09/2014 Show and Tell](#)

[09/13/2014-09/14/2014 Renaissance Motifs Workshop – CANCELLED](#) ›

10/19/2014 October Meeting

It's time again for our very special meeting: the Lake Michigan Sampler Guild is celebrating its 16th Anniversary! Join us on Sunday, October 19th at 1:30 at the Wheaton Community Center. We're having a party with fun and food. Don't miss this special celebration!

‹ [07/13/2014 Show and Tell](#)

[11/09/2014 Holiday Party and Ornament Exchange](#) ›

11/09/2014 Holiday Party and Ornament Exchange

Better get busy on those holiday ornaments! We've decided to move our Holiday Party and Ornament Exchange to November 9th. Last year we had to cancel the party due to bad weather, so this year, we have moved up the date. The party will be at the home of Susan Balsai at 1:30 on November 9th. Please bring along a favorite holiday treat to share and RSVP to Susan if you are going to attend.

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