

## 4 New Projects plus 3 BOMs 1 Workshop

- \* How mini can you make it?
- \* Are you ready for a puzzle?
- \* Pinwheels are always happy.



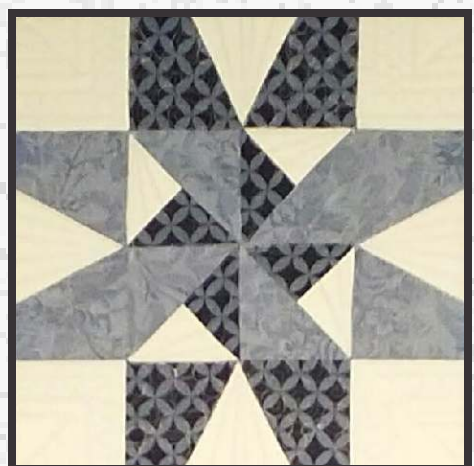
Christmas Greetings from the Sea BOM



Bursting



Hidden Stars Miniature Quilt



Telluride Puzzle Quilt

## A Message from Maria

March is a month of hope and promise. We hope it will do its usual coming in like a lion and going out like a lamb and not the reverse. We rejoice in the promise of another beautiful spring about to burst forth. Although in the last few years, we have had the lovely, amazing experience of spring signs as early as late February when our snowdrops have begun peeking out and blooming a full month ahead of schedule. We have no explanation for their earlier arrival, but we always welcome them with joy. Seeing them makes our hearts smile.



*Maria Hrabovsky*

Of course, spring is all about new beginnings and we quilters should apply those to our quilting as well. Do you sometimes think, "My stash is huge. I need to reduce it!" (Actually, said no quilter ever!) If you haven't made quilts for charitable purposes - Project Linus, Quilts of Valour, the homeless, local shelters, or Kennel Quilts for animal shelters to name a few, start now and begin reducing it! What new techniques might you finally take the time to learn? Appliqué? Collage? Trapunto? Modern? What aspects of quilting challenge you? Start meeting those challenges! What fabrics in your stash make you wonder why you ever bought them in the first place? Find a pattern that will be perfect for them and start on it immediately. (Look for it in this and past issues of *TQPM*.) What about those colours you think you will never be able to use in a quilt after all? They are sure to fit perfectly in a scrappy quilt. Have you been debating about whether to buy that special new tool or not? Get it and enjoy it! Have you never participated in a BOM or started on a Christmas theme this early in the year? Work along with Nan Baker's *Christmas Greetings from the Sea* beginning in this issue.

Whatever you choose, you are sure to delight yourself and others. Happy spring!

*Maria*

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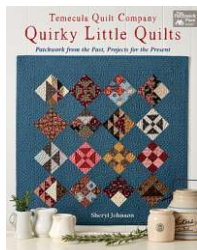
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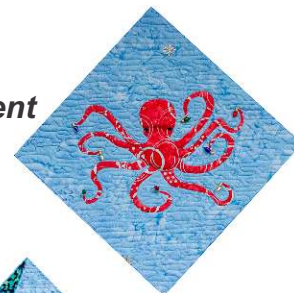
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### Definitions of skill levels:

- **A beginner** must have basic sewing knowledge (including how to use a rotary cutter and the ability to sew a proper seam allowance) and have made at least one quilt.
- **A beginner/intermediate** quilter has more than basic quilting skills and the beginning of intermediate skills.
- **An intermediate** quilter must have made several quilts in either pieced or appliqué styles.
- **An intermediate/advanced** quilter has more than intermediate quilting skills and the beginning of advanced skills.
- **An advanced** quilter will have made many complex quilts.



### Common Abbreviations:

- BA:** Baltimore Album
- BOM:** Block Of The Month
- COC:** Cream On Cream
- EPP:** English Paper Piecing
- FPA:** Freezer Paper Appliqué
- FQ:** Fat Quarter
- HST:** Half Square Triangle
- LOF:** Length Of Fabric
- NS:** No Steam
- OG:** On Grain
- OTB:** On The Bias
- PWF:** PreWashed Fabric
- QST:** Quarter Square Triangle
- RST:** Right Sides Together
- SST:** Side Setting Triangle
- UFO:** UnFinished Object
- WIP:** Works In Progress
- WOF:** Width Of Fabric (from selvage to selvage)
- WOW:** White On White

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