

BMQG GETAWAY 2017 frequently asked questions (FAQ)

- 1. What exactly is the Getaway?** Answer: Consider it a “Cabin Fever Reliever” and a sewing retreat or immersion weekend rolled into one, held at the Red Jacket Mt. View Resort in North Conway on April 7-9, 2017.
- 2. How is it different from sewing on my own at home?** Answer: It’s great to sit and sew with old friends and new acquaintances. Consider it a major motivational factor. How can you not sew when you hear sewing machines whirring away and hear the laughter and stories being exchanged? Often you may actually pick up a sewing tip or two as well. And people will come by and look at your project with enthusiasm. Don’t you just love a little praise?
- 3. What hours are available for sewing?** Answer: Starting at 1:00 pm on Friday until you collapse. If you want to sew all night, you go girl! The sewing room is open as long as someone is in it. Otherwise it is locked for security purposes so you may leave your machines in the room.
- 4. What is the challenge exhibit?** Answer: Each year at the close of the Getaway weekend, a challenge is announced for the next year. Anyone is eligible to participate in the challenge for ribbons and prizes whether you attended the previous year’s Getaway or not.
- 5. How do I find out the subject of the challenge?** Answer: Register on line at www.bmqg.org or send in your registration form as directed. (Hint): **The challenge for 2017 is “Creative use of a Panel”. The size limitations are no more than 45 inches/side (or 180 inches perimeter) and it is your decision to determine how to make your selected panel “creative”.**
- 6. Is it true that there are door prizes and raffles?** Answer: Of course! You can take chances on a terrific raffle basket full of quilt related goodies. And don’t forget the **GRAND PRIZE** drawing for a free Getaway weekend the following year for the winner’s half of a double room.
- 7. How is the food at the Red Jacket Mt. View Resort?** Answer: Let’s put it this way: no one has ever left feeling hungry. The meals are great and the service is wonderful. It’s a really great experience with no cooking and no cleanup! And it’s all included in your room fee. *Please note on the registration form if you have any special dietary requirements.*
- 8. Why would I want to try the quilting workshop?** Answer: Because it’s lots of fun to see the project evolve and you might even complete it during the weekend. This year’s workshop is called “**METROSCOPE**” and the fee includes the pattern required to make the project. There is an additional charge for the Quick Curve Ruler. Photos are on the BMQG website (www.bmqg.org) as well as on the website www.sewkindofwonderful.com, [the metro collection](#).
- 9. Why do I need to make out two checks to send in with the registration form?** Answer: One check covers the hospitality and workshops provided by BMQG. The other check for the hotel is a room deposit and guarantees your room reservation. You will pay the balance of your room bill at the time of checkout. Remember that there is a 72 hour cancellation policy for individual room cancellations. Send both checks to the designated address on the registration form: **BMQG Getaway, PO Box 6174, Laconia, NH 03247-6174**
- 10. Are there any other activities?** Answer: There is “Show and Tell” of what you’ve been working on during the weekend and participants are encouraged to bring along another item for a special “Show and Tell” of something else you have made previously and would like to show to others. We are also offering a chair massage on Saturday afternoon but only if you sign up when you register for the

weekend. And of course, there is always shopping in North Conway if you want to take a break from sewing.

- 11. Is the hotel handicap accessible?** Answer: There are some rooms that are handicap accessible and there is an elevator. However the locations of the sewing rooms that we use require an individual to go up and down 2-3 steps. We try to have participant rooms on the same floor as the sewing rooms for that reason. The hotel has bellhop service to assist you with hauling your “stuff” to your room.
- 12. When can we start sewing?** Answer: The sewing rooms will be open @ 1:00 pm on Friday. You may arrive any time during the day but your rooms may not be ready to move into until mid-afternoon. Some people like to stop at a few quilt shops on the way to North Conway as well. Make it a fun weekend!