



2017 Quilt Entry Rules - Smithtown Stitchers, Inc.

1. All Entrants must be Guild Members in good standing. Quilts must be made in whole or part by the member submitting the entry. Entries made in part must be in the Group or Professionally Quilted category.
2. **All Registrations, for Judged and Non-Judged Quilts must be submitted to the Registration Chairs by the January 16th 2017 Guild Meeting, or Postmarked no later than January 16th, 2017, no exceptions.** Your Quilt or Quilted Item does not need to be completed until the Quilt(s) are to be dropped off. **All items must be finished, clean, odor-free, without pet hair, and undamaged to be shown or judged.** The Show Committee & Registrars reserve the right to reject or reclassify any entry.
3. Each entry must be submitted in its own pillowcase or cloth bag.
4. **Quilt Preparation:** A four inch (4") sleeve must be firmly sewn to the back of each quilt for hanging. An entry without a sleeve will not be accepted for the Show.
5. **Tied Quilts** may be exhibited but are not eligible to be judged.
6. Judges may choose not to award all ribbons in a given category. All categories will be judged except for Non-Judged Quilts. If your quilt is being judged, you must cover your name/quilt label on the back with a piece of cloth.
7. All Entrants are responsible for the delivery and pick-up of their own quilts. All quilts must hang for the duration of the show, and will be returned after the show closes on Sunday. **No quilts will be returned without a proper receipt.**
8. Every reasonable effort will be made to safely display and protect your quilt between the time of receipt and the time of pick up. However, the Smithtown Stitchers, Inc., storage, judging, and the exhibition venues are not responsible for loss or damage to any quilt. You are responsible for insuring your quilt.
9. **Categories: There is a limit of two judged quilts per category per person. The SSQG QEXVII Categories are defined as follows:**
 - a) **Hand Appliqué** - Quilt is more than 50% hand appliquéd.
 - b) **Machine Appliqué** - Quilt is more than 50% machine appliquéd.
 - c) **Group Quilt** - More than one person participated in the construction of this quilt, including the person registering the quilt.
 - d) **Innovative/Art** - This category may include multiple techniques. Quilt reflects noticeable deviation from traditional patterns and sets.
 - e) **Mixed Medium/Machine Embroidery** - This category includes: **Crazy Quilt, Painted, Whole Cloth, Pictorial, Story Quilt, Memory or Photo Quilt, and Machine Embroidery** and quilts that are a balanced combination of more than one technique (i.e. **50% Pieced and 50% Appliquéd**).
 - f) **Pieced** - Quilt is more than 50% pieced.
 - g) **Professionally Quilted** - Hand or Machine Quilted by a Professional, other than yourself, who has accepted payment for the quilting. This Category overrides all other categories, regardless of the technique.
 - h) **Miniature** - Each block must be less than 5". Each side must be less than 25". Visually it should be a small version of a bed-size quilt.
 - i) **Scrap Quilt** - A quilt containing a minimum of 40 different fabrics.
 - j) **Modern** - Quilt may feature minimalism, improvisational piecing, expansive negative space, and non-traditional layouts.
 - k) **Kit** - A quilt made from a Quilt Kit or Block/Block of the Month Kits that include pattern and preselected fabrics.
 - l) **Wearables** - Includes: Quilted Clothing such as Jackets, Vests, Coats, Capes, Hats, and Ensembles, where **one or more items are quilted. Item must be "wearable"**. Items not quilted, will not be judged.
10. **Please complete all of the fields on the Registration Form, including:**
 - a) **First Quilt** - Defines a first quilt that was completed by the Artist. The Quilt must be less than 2 years old.
 - b) **Original Design** - Item was entirely conceived and designed by the Artist. It may not be reproduced from a pattern, book, class, magazine, etc.
 - c) **Overall Colors In General** - Please list the main colors in your quilted item.
 - d) **Individual Block Size** - If your quilt contains "blocks", please include the individual block size. If it does not contain blocks, leave blank or put N/A (not applicable).
 - e) **Judging Priority** - Please give each of your entries a "priority" rating.
11. **Registration Fee: There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$10.00 per person, regardless of the number of entries.**