



17th Biennial Broward Quilt Expo

2023 Quilt Entry Rules

BQE 2023 includes an exhibit only as well as quilts entered for judging that feature many styles of quilts made by members of the participating guilds. Non-guild members are welcome to enter and participate. Please read all rules carefully before filling out the online entry form. Entrants are welcome to enter as many quilts as they would like unless otherwise noted.

Categories

There are several categories in the BQE 2023 show. Please consider the category description and place them according to description.

Please Note- BQE retains the right to move your quilt to a better suited category or to combine categories if a category has too few submissions.

MINIATURE QUILTS

Any quilt with a design embodying a small version of a full-size quilt. A quilt is considered miniature when the blocks are at least 25% or smaller than its larger version. Total for all sides less than 96 inches.

All elements of the miniature quilt (fabric pattern, block, quilting stitch, binding) must be at the same scale.

ART QUILTS

Must be entrant's own creative design using innovative construction, techniques, and/or materials. May include digital, embroidery, painted, beaded, folded and other interesting effects. Embellishments must be securely attached. Quilts must be three layers, any size.

TRADITIONAL QUILTS

Any Pieced Quilt made using traditional techniques.

- **SMALL**- quilt perimeter not to exceed 140 inches (not miniature or art quilt)
- **MEDIUM**- quilt perimeter not to exceed 280 inches
- **LARGE**- quilt perimeter larger than 280 inches

APPLIQUE QUILTS

Any quilt made using predominately applique techniques

- **SMALL**- quilt perimeter not to exceed 140 inches (not miniature or art quilt)
- **MEDIUM**- quilt perimeter not to exceed 280 inches
- **LARGE**- quilt perimeter larger than 280 inches

MODERN/ABSTRACT/IMPROVISATIONAL QUILTS

All quilts in this category should be functional and embody the principals of modern design, such as use of solids and bold colors, simplicity, minimalism, asymmetry, alternative block structure or improvisational piecing.

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YOUTH QUILTS (RIBBON ONLY)

Two age groups- 4-11 years old and 12-18 years old. Quilt should be predominately made by youth. Quilt may be any size and technique.

EXHIBIT ONLY- NON-JUDGED

Any quilt, any size, entered by the maker for purpose of exhibiting only. No feedback will be given.

CHAIRWOMAN'S CHALLENGE

THEME- "It's Not Easy Being Green"

Size must finish 30" x 30". Any design or method, must be 3 layers and quilted. Must incorporate at least one green fabric and relate to theme title. Winning quilt will be select by BQE Chairwoman.

BQE CHALLENGE QUILT

THEME- "Quilting Your World"

Size must be 30" x 30". Please see Quilt Challenge Guidelines. One entry per person. Open to participating guild members only.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Winning quilts will receive 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize ribbons. Honorable Mention Ribbons will also be awarded. Monetary prizes for all categories unless otherwise noted as ribbon only. Additional Awards such as Best in Show, Best Machine Quilting, Best Hand Quilting, and Viewer's Choice will receive Ribbons and prizes.

Award Ceremony will be held on Friday, April 14, 2023 from 7-9pm. Tickets are \$15. Attendees will have a 40 min private preview of the show (quilt display area only)

GENERAL RULES

- Entries are open to all members of participating quilt guilds as well as non-members.
- Out of state entries are responsible for return postage and insurance.
- All quilts entered into BQE 2023 must meet the following requirements:
 - Have a minimum of three layers (backing, batting and top) joined together with stitching. Hand tied quilt will not be accepted
 - Have a finished edge such as binding or facing.
 - Preprinted panels will not be accepted unless incorporated as part of large quilt.
 - Have a 4" sleeve attached at top of quilt or at 86" from bottom of large quilts.
- BQE reserves the right to disqualify entries with incomplete entry forms
- All persons who have worked on your quilt, whether paid or not, must be properly credit (excluding basting assistance)
- BQE reserves the right to reject any quilts that are in visibly poor condition, including but not limited to; torn fabric, stains, strong odors, or unfinished quilts. Any rejected quilt is not eligible for prizes or display.
- All volunteers of BQE board and committees are eligible to enter any category.
- BQE reserves the right to reject any quilt upon submission does not represent photo submitted.
- There are no refunds on entry fees once a quilt has been submitted. Fees for entered quilts that do not arrive for Quilt Collection Day (in person or mail) will not be refunded.
- The decisions of the show organizers and judge are final.
- BQE does not discriminate against entrants based on race, sex, age, disability, religion, national or ethnic origins, sexual orientation, marital status or any other protected status. Every effort will be made to display all quilts entered.

PHOTOS

Following the online entry process, entrants will be required to submit a photo. One photo of front of quilt. Once you receive your email receipt- please submit your photo with your quilt title in the about field and email to Chairman@browardquiltexpo.com

RELEASE

Your entry of your quilt, is agreement to these conditions:

- I have read and understand the entry rules and understand the decision of the judge is final.
- BQE reserves the right to disqualify any quilt that deems to be misrepresented and winners will forfeit any ribbons and/or prizes.
- I understand that BQE will take every reasonable precaution to safeguard the quilts during the show and storage, but that BQE will not be held liable for damage or loss.
- By entering BQE, I agree to release and hold harmless BQE and its respective directors, volunteers and any agent from any and all liability for injuries, loss, or damage of any kind to person or property.
- The entrant represents and warrants to BQE that entrant's entry does not infringe upon, violate or misappropriate any copyright or intellectual property.
- BQE has the right to use photographs of entries in showbook, social media and not for monetary gain, but for promotional purposes only
- I understand that BQE will make every effort to ensure the quilt remains clean and in the condition it arrived, however, there are some small risk that stains could happen, especially during shipping and transit. We take every precaution to advise viewers that quilts are not to be touched. I accept those risks.

FEES

The entry fee for BQE is \$15 per quilt for members, \$25 for non-members on all categories unless otherwise noted. You may enter as many quilts, in any category, as you like. The entry fee is non-refundable.

SELLING YOUR QUILT

You have the option to sell your quilt at BQE. It will be indicated on the entry form. BQE will handle the sale, collect sales tax and take a 15% commission on sales. You must sign a consignment agreement for all prospective sales. Forms will be available at quilt collection.

IMPORTANT DATES

Quilt entries opens Thursday Sept 1, 2022

Quilt entries closes Monday, March 13, 2023 Midnight EST- No exceptions

Quilt Collection Drop off is Thursday March 16, 2023. 3-8pm at Charles F. Dodge City Center, Pembroke Pines, FL

Mailing your quilt- Quilts must be received by March 15th, 2023- address to follow