



# 2026 Anderson Area Quilt Show

**July 17-18, 2026**

**Entry deadline - May 13, 2026**



## Entry Rules and Guidelines:

- Only ECQG & PFQG members may enter quilts in the quilt show.
- Entries must not have been entered in a previous AAQS quilt show.
- Each guild member may submit two entries per category. However, we do have a limit as to the total number of quilts that can be in the show due to space restrictions. In the event that we need to revise the number of entries once all registrations have been received, you may be contacted by the Registration Committee.
- Quilts must be completely finished. Partially finished pieces, pieces with pins and unsewn bindings will not be accepted.
- All entries must be "Quilts" based on the definition of three layers held together by stitching. In the Wearables and Miscellaneous Categories, two layers will be acceptable so long as they are quilted.
- If you would like to have your quilt available for sale, please indicate this on the Registration Entry Form. A list of those quilts and contact information will be provided to the Admissions Desk for potential buyers upon request.
- The voting categories must have a minimum of five submitted entries. Any quilts entered in a category with less than five total entries will be re-classified.
- The Quilt Registration Committee reserves the right to change the category of any entry. In this case, a committee member will contact the quilter to determine the alternate category.
- A 3 x 5 inch blank piece of paper (or index card) must be basted to the back of your quilt on the lower right corner. When you drop off your quilt at the show, a pre-printed label with your entry information will be placed on this blank card, identifying your quilt.
- If your quilt is over 86 inches long please baste or pin it to this length, so it will not touch the floor when displayed.
- A photo (digital or paper copy) must accompany your entry registration form.

If you have questions, please contact either Lou Ann Martin ([thirdcentury24@gmail.com](mailto:thirdcentury24@gmail.com) (864)483-9003) or Christine Drais ([christine.drais@gmail.com](mailto:christine.drais@gmail.com) (907)299-2472).

## Voting Categories:

Category	Name	Description
100	Solo Large Quilt - Pieced	<b>Piecing predominates. One person</b> is involved in the quilt's completion and must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. <b>Size is Full, Queen, or King bed size. No quilt in this category can contain either computer driven machine embroidery or computer driven automated machine quilting.</b>
200	Solo Small Quilt - Pieced	<b>Piecing predominates. One person</b> is involved in the quilt's completion and must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. <b>Size is Twin, Throw, Lap, or smaller. No quilt in this category can contain either computer driven machine embroidery or computer driven automated machine quilting.</b>
300	Applique/Mixed Quilt - All sizes	<b>Appliqué or other mixed technique predominates.</b> Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. <b>No quilt in this category can contain either computer driven machine embroidery or computer driven automated machine quilting.</b>
400	Duet Quilt - Pieced All sizes	<b>Piecing predominates. Two people</b> are involved in the quilt's completion, one of which must be the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. <b>No quilt in this category can contain either computer driven machine embroidery or computer driven automated machine quilting.</b>
500	Computer Enhanced or Aided Quilt - All sizes	Any part of the quilt includes <b>computer driven automated machine quilting and/or computer driven machine embroidery.</b> Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts.
600	Modern Quilt	<b>Modern quilts</b> are primarily functional and inspired by modern design, incorporating a minimalist style, use of bold colors and prints, and an emphasis on negative space rather than intricate patchwork. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. <b>Quilts with length plus width equal to or less than 48 inches are not allowed... See Category 1600. May be quilted by any method.</b>
700	Kit Quilt / BOM	<b>Any quilt where the fabrics have been preselected by a shop or designer.</b> Block of the Month quilts fall into this category if fabric is provided. This also includes quilts made with a combination of kit and non-kit fabrics. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. <b>No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.</b>
800	Special Quilt Techniques	<b>Quilts that use unusual techniques,</b> including but not limited to, embroidered quilts (hand or machine), redwork, English paper pieced, cathedral windows, whole cloth quilts, yo-yo, trapunto, crazy quilts, and rag quilts. Entries in this category must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. <b>No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.</b>
900	Panel Inspired Quilts	Quilts that feature a panel as the focal point. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. <b>No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.</b>
1000	Original Design	<b>A quilt that is completely designed by the maker.</b> While not limited to a block design, it can be traditional blocks set in a unique manner, or a unique block design. Must not contain any part made using a published pattern. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. <b>No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.</b>

## Voting Categories (continued):

Category	Name	Description
1100	New Quilter Entry	This category is for quilters who have been quilting less than 2 years. Quilts may use any technique. There is a limit of one entry per member. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.
1200	Quilts for Children	Quilts made for a young child. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.
1300	Holiday Themed Quilts	Quilts made to celebrate any holiday. Entries in this category may be either solo (single maker) or duet (two person) quilts. No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.
1400	Hand Quilted Quilt	The quilt is machine or hand pieced and is hand quilted. Whole cloth quilts, which are hand quilted, may be entered in this category. Entries in this category must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. Quilts with length plus width equal to or less than 48 inches are not allowed... See Category 1600.
1500	Art Quilt - Representational/Non-representational	Representational Art Quilts depict a recognizable object, being, or place in the real world while non-Representational Art Quilts use form, shape, color, and line to express emotion, feeling or some other concept rather than recognizable objects. Art Quilts must be the quilt maker's original design reflecting innovative construction and design techniques, theme or subject matter, and materials. These quilts must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.
1600	Wall Hanging	A Wall Hanging Quilt is a quilt that is specifically made to be hung on the wall for display. The quilt can be made in any style with any quilting technique. Entries in this category must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. No size restriction. May be quilted by any method.
1700	Miniature Quilt	Miniature Quilts are defined as small versions of full sized quilts with overall patterns reflecting reduced scale and miniaturization constructed with any technique including hand quilting and whole cloth design. If miniature blocks are used, they should be no larger than 4 inches square. Quilts must measure 24 inches or less on each side. Entries in this category must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. May be quilted by any method.
1800	Wearables/ Miscellaneous	Wearables may include clothing, handbags, scarves, hats, and jewelry while miscellaneous items may include table linens, pillows, and other quilted accessories. These items may be constructed using any technique, a visible portion of which includes quilting. On these items, two layers (rather than three) held together with stitching are acceptable. These items are often three-dimensional in nature; that is, they don't lay flat on a bed or hang flat on a wall. Entries in this category must be made entirely by the submitting ECQG or PFQG member. May be quilted by any method.

**Non-Voting Categories (display only):**

Category	Name	Description
1900	Junior Showcase	To promote and encourage the art of quilt making to the new generation of quilters, AAQS is featuring a junior showcase of items limited to those entrants who are 17 years and younger as of July 17, 2026. This will be an "open" category, with no restrictions on size or construction. These items may be quilts, wearables, home décor, etc. but must contain a visible portion which includes quilting. Juniors may enter one item and must be either Anderson area youth or sponsored by a current member of Prickly Fingers Quilt Guild or Electric City Quilt Guild. Entries into the Junior category will not be voted on, but each entrant will receive an honorary ribbon. Items entered in this category shall be primarily the work of the entrant, but assistance by an adult is acceptable. Due to space availability, entry into this category will be limited and prioritized based on registration date.
2000	First Quilt	This is the first quilt that you ever completed. This display-only category is meant to show where we all started from. Limited to first 10 entries.
2100	Past Winners	This display-only category is for previous Best in Show or 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Category Quilts. Limited to first 10 entries
2200	Historical/Antique Quilts	This display-only category is to showcase antique or quilts with historical significance. For example... this could be a quilt purchased at an antique store or handed down through your family. Limited to first 10 entries.