

Quilt Categories

2025 Joy of Quilts

100 First in a Show

This category is for your first quilt ever entered into a show of any kind. The entry may be of any construction technique, any size, have any finishing method, and all work must be done by the entrant. If entering this category, you may not enter quilts in any other category.

200 Pieced 1 Person - Large

Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by only 1 person to finish the project. The sum of all sides equals 280" or more.

300 Pieced 1 Person - Small

Pieced 1 Person: Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by only 1 person to finish the project. The sum of all sides is less than 280".

400 Pieced 2 or more People - Large

Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by 2 or more people to finish the project. The sum of all sides equals 280" or more.

500 Pieced 2 or more People - Small

Pieced 2 or more People: Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by 2 or more people in order to finish the project. The sum of all sides is less than 280".

600 Pieced Wall Hanging - Large:

Any pieced wall hanging where the sum of all sides is greater than 192" but less than 240".

700 Pieced Wall Hanging - Small

Any pieced wall hanging, table runner, or topper where the sum of all sides does not exceed 192".

800 Applique

Quilts in this category are constructed by attaching pieces of fabric with thread to a background by either hand and/or machine. There are no size restrictions in this category.

900 Mixed Technique - Large

Any quilt that displays a balance of two or more specific quilting techniques (ie: pieced, appliqué, etc). At least one side must be 72" or larger.

1000 Mixed Technique - Small

Any quilt that displays a balance of two or more specific quilting techniques (ie: pieced, appliqué, etc). The longest side must be less than 72".

1100 Group Quilt

Any quilt, any size completed by more than two people.

1200 Miniature

Any quilt that has been proportionately reduced in scale, no side longer than 18” and has no individual pieced/appliquéd block with any side larger than 4” excluding the quilt border(s).

1300 Art Quilt Original Design

Any quilt using any technique or combination of techniques or materials in a non-traditional manner. No side may be smaller than 12”. The entry is not limited to the number of participants to its finish nor is quilting a requirement, but it must be an original design.

1400 Art Quilt from a Pattern

Any quilt using any technique or combination of techniques or materials in a non-traditional manner. No side may be smaller than 12”. The entry is not limited to the number of participants to its finish nor is quilting a requirement. This category would represent works created from either a pattern and/or another artist’s product.

1500 Dimensional Work

Including but not limited to: Dolls, 3D work, wearable’s, bags, etc. The participant must provide dress forms etc. if necessary to properly display Dimensional Work.

1600 Youth

Quilt made by a person 17 yrs. of age or younger at the time of submission to the 2025 QGGH Quilt Show. Entry may also be quilted by a second party. This category is open to friends, relatives, etc. assuming the maker meets the age requirement. (Please be reminded that non guild members can enter quilts in any category, including this one. Please encourage your grandchildren, teenagers, nieces and nephews or young neighbors to enter!)

1700 Embellished

Any quilt any size that displays surface embellished in any manner other than appliqué. This category may include but is not limited to: Crazy Quilts, Hand Embroidery, Redwork, Beading, Fabric Collages, and/or Thread Painting.

1800 Machine Embroidery

No size limitations, any construction technique where machine embroidery is integral to one or more of the following: decoration, construction and/or quilting.

1900 Modern

A quilt that relies on current bold, graphic fabrics and their unusual placement in the creative process. Typical characteristics that may be present: high contrast and graphic areas of solid color; improvisational piecing, minimalism and expansive use of negative space; asymmetry; exaggerated scale and cropping and/or interpretative use of classic quilt designs.

2000 Juvenile Themed Quilts

Quilts specifically intended for young, juvenile person; baby quilt, crib quilt, etc.

2100 Quilts from Kits – 1 person

Any size quilt made using a kit which provided pattern and fabric packaged by the vendor for sale as one unit. Block of the month quilts would also fall under this category. If a quilt is made from a kit it must be entered in this category.

2200 Quilts from Kits – 2 or more people

Any size quilt made using a kit which provided pattern and fabric packaged by the vendor for sale as one unit. Block of the month quilts would also fall under this category. If a quilt is made from a kit it must be entered in this category.

2300 Whole Cloth

A whole cloth quilt is made from one large piece of fabric as its top layer. No patchwork or appliqué is used in the quilt design. Embellishment relies on quilting motifs, and quilting stitches which are usually intricate and closely spaced. There are no size limitations in this category.

2400 2025 QGGH Member Challenge

Your entry must reflect your interpretation of the theme for the 2025 show. This theme, along with more details of the Challenge will be available shortly. Entrants must be current Guild members. This category is not eligible for Ribbon Consideration by the Certified Judge(s) and may be judged by a “Guest Panel” instead.

2500 Non-Judged

Quilts entered in this category are for display only, by choice of the entrant or recommendation of the Curator. Entries may be limited due to venue space constraints. All decisions of the Curator are final. Please note this category is not eligible for Ribbon Consideration by the Certified Judge(s).