



BROWARD QUILT EXPO

2023 Quilt Entry Rules

Broward Quilt Expo (BQE) 2023 includes judged & exhibit (non-judged) quilts. 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. Quilt entry is open to all quilters, unless otherwise noted in category.

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. Quilt sleeve on back not required.

All elements of the miniature quilt (fabric pattern, block, quilting stitch, binding) should 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 160 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 predominantly applique techniques

- **SMALL**- quilt perimeter not to exceed 160 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 principles of modern design, such as use of solids and bold colors, simplicity, minimalism, asymmetry, alternative block structure or improvisational piecing.

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- **MEDIUM**- quilt perimeter not to exceed 280 inches
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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 the 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.

CHALLENGE QUILTS

There are 2 challenges for the 2023 show-

Quilt Your World

and the chairman's challenge

It's Not Easy Being Green

Both will be judged and prizes will be awarded

Size of challenge quilts must be 30" x 30" and adhere to all BQE entry rules. Please see the website page for more details on each challenge

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Winning quilts will receive 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize ribbons. Honorable Mention Ribbons will also be awarded. Monetary prizes are awarded 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/or 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

- All quilters are eligible to enter - quilt entry is unlimited. Entry as many as you like.
- BQE Participating guild members receive reduced entry fee.
- Mail in entrants are responsible for return postage and insurance.
- All quilts entered into BQE 2023 must meet the following requirements:
 - Consist of three layers (backing, batting and top) joined together with stitching. Hand tied quilts 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.
 - All quilts must have an identifying label with quilters name. Label must be covered for judging. Please cover label with tape or fabric.
 - Each quilt must be in its own case/pillowcase, with entrants name/contact info. One quilt to one pillowcase.
- BQE reserves the right to disqualify entries with incomplete or inaccurate entry forms or to reject any quilts that are in visibly poor condition, including but not limited to: torn fabrics, stains, strong odors, or unfinished.
- All major contributors to the entered quilt should be identified- ie, the block maker/makers, piecer, quilter, if applicable.
- Entry fees are non-refundable, and all entered quilts must be received on or before (for mail in entries) quilt collection day.
- The decisions of the BQE Board and the 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 based on available space.

PHOTOS

Following the online entry process, entrants will be required to submit a photo- no exceptions. 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 and on social media.
- BQE is not responsible for loss or damage to any entered quilt. BQE will make every effort to return the entered quilts in the condition in which they were received.
- If desired insurance for entered quilt is at the responsibility of the entrant.

FEES

The entry fee - \$15 per quilt for BQE guild members, \$25 for non-members on all categories unless otherwise noted. Youth category is free entry. 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 must 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 and available for download on our website.

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. 33035

Quilt Pickup/Return Monday April 17, 2023, 11-3 pm at Charles F. Dodge City Center, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025

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

Broward Quilt Expo

9421 Belaire Drive

Miramar, FL 33025