

# QUILTING

Dept. QU



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**QUILTING MISSION STATEMENT:** To create a warm and friendly atmosphere in which all quilters can display their labors of love; to build an exhibit that all quilt lovers can enjoy; to provide a fair venue for competition for both amateurs and professionals; to utilize educational displays and demonstrations designed to encourage both young and old to enjoy this relaxing art; and to share our talents with the community.

**JUDGES:** TBA

## 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(All activities listed will be in the Exhibition Hall)

<b>Wednesday, July 5 –</b>	9am - 4pm	Entry Office open to pre-register entry forms. Call 727-8900 and ask for Entry Office for more information.
<b>Friday, July 21</b>		
<b>Saturday, July 22</b>	10am - 4pm	Entries accepted in Exhibition Hall
<b>Sunday, July 23</b>	11am - 5pm	Entries accepted in Exhibition Hall
<b>Tuesday, July 25</b>	9am – 5pm	Quilt Judging
<b>Wednesday, July 26</b>	9am	Quilt Judging
<b>Friday, July 28</b>	Noon	Fair opens to the public
<b>Wednesday, August 2</b>	6pm	Quilting Department Awards
<b>Saturday, August 5</b>	6pm	Quilt Raffle Drawing (need not be present to win)
<b>Sunday, August 6</b>	10 am - 2pm	<b>Entries released in Department. Please make every effort to pick up your entries during this time frame. Unclaimed entries will be held at the Entry Office Monday thru Fri of the week following fair.</b>
<b>Daily Drawings</b>		<b>I Spy Game - Play I Spy in the Quilting Department and win tickets to the night shows or rodeo!</b>

Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule but due to unforeseen circumstances the schedule is subject to change.

## PREMIUMS

### ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Time permitting, results will be posted in each Department throughout fair week. The **Entry Office** will be open from **July 28<sup>th</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup> (8am to 6pm) and August 6<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> (9am to 4pm)**. Every effort should be made to collect your Premium Checks between these times. Premium Checks in the amount of \$399.99 or less may be cashed during that time period in the Entry Office.

All remaining Premium Checks will be mailed to you in the name and at the address provided by you on the W-9 on file. **A new W9 must be filled out if you have any changes to your name or address or if you are a first time exhibitor at the Montana State Fair.**

## RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All participants at Montana State Fair events are responsible for reading the GENERAL INFORMATION section of this handbook and complying with policies listed therein.
2. AGREEMENT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS HEREIN STATED IS UNDERSTOOD WHEN THE EXHIBITOR SUBMITS THE ENTRY FORM.
3. All entrants must complete a W9 form at time of entry to receive any premiums.
4. State Fair will accept exhibits not pre-entered but exhibitors are warned that it will take longer for check-in.
5. Any article previously judged at Montana State Fair is ineligible for competition. To avoid misunderstandings, do not enter an item that very closely resembles an item previously entered.
6. Exhibitors may enter one item per class.
7. To be entered in this department, THE ARTICLE MUST BE QUILTED OR TIED. IT ALSO MUST BE OF THREE-LAYER CONSTRUCTION, exceptions to the three layer construction may include clothing, yo-yos, ragtime, chenille, summer weight quilts Cathedral windows, or art quilts.
8. Articles used prior to the fair must be clean and acceptable for judging (free of lint, hair, thread, etc.)
9. In event of only one entry in a class, judges will place or not place the item based on the standard of excellence of the individual piece. All judges' decisions are final.
10. At the superintendent's discretion, items entered may be transferred to a more appropriate division prior to judging.
11. **Please have a hanging sleeve on all entries**
12. DEFINITION OF EXHIBITORS:
  - **Professional:** A person who regularly earns money from the design, creation and/or part of the construction of bed quilts or other quilted items.
  - **Non-professional:** A person who is a non-professional of quilting; has taken beginning instruction or is a self-taught quilter; who creates for personal use and has not sold any items (gives away as gifts).
  - **Special Exhibitor:** Individuals with physical or mental handicaps that would make competing in open divisions unfair for them.
  - **Junior:** Individuals 18 years and younger. Junior exhibitors are welcome to compete in open divisions with appropriate fees paid.

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### CASCADE COUNTY HOMEMAKERS CLUB AWARDS **AWARDS PENDING, SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

#### REGULATIONS:

1. Club name MUST be listed on entry form.
2. Homemaker must be a paid member of a registered Cascade County Homemakers Club to qualify for awards.
3. Largest average number of exhibits is figured by total number of club exhibits divided by total number of club members.
4. Quality points are total of Ribbon count divided by the total number of club members Sweepstakes- 4 points. Blue- 3 points. Red- 2 points. White- 1 point
  - \$10.00 for the Homemaker's Club with the highest number of entries in the Quilting Department
  - \$10.00 for the Homemaker's Club with the highest quality points based on ribbon awards in the Quilting Department.

#### QUILTING DEPARTMENT AWARDS

*\$20.00 Gift Certificates, Sponsored by **Bernina Silver Thimble**, 3301 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Great Falls*

BEST MACHINE EMBROIDERED QUILT OR WALL HANGING

BEST ENTRY QUILTED CLOTHING

BEST ENTRY USING PAPER PIECING TECHNIQUE

*\$20 Gift Certificates, Sponsored by **Big Sky Quilts**, 101 Central Avenue, Great Falls*

- BEST NOVELTY QUILT
- BEST KIT
- PEOPLE'S CHOICE ANTIQUE QUILT
- BEST JR. 13 – 18
- BEST JR. 12 and under

*Machine Service Package, Sponsored by **Rainbow Service**, 2420 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Great Falls*  
JUDGE'S CHOICE

*Sponsored by **Joe's Sewing Machine Center Husqvarna/Viking**, 813 9<sup>th</sup> Street South, Great Falls*

- BEST MACHINE EMBROIDERY QUILT - \$100 gift certificate
- MOST CREATIVE EMBROIDERY JACKET OR VEST - \$50 gift certificate

*\$25 Gift Certificates, Sponsored by **Quilt Away**, 222 13<sup>th</sup> Street South, Great Falls*

- BEST of CHRISTMAS
- BEST of QUILTED CLOTHING
- BEST of PROFESSIONAL CLASS
- BEST of ORIGINAL DESIGN

*\$25 Gift Certificate, Sponsored by **Kelly Joye's Crafts***

- BEST ART QUILT

*\$20 Gift Certificate, Sponsored by **Quilts Galore***

- BEST of MINIATURES
- BEST of HAND APPLIQUÉ

FALLS QUILT GUILD EXCELLENCE AWARDS - \$75.00 in cash

HAND QUILTING EXCELLENCE AWARD

Qualifications:

1. Non-Professional category
2. Quilt top construction can be hand pieced, machine pieced or hand appliquéd
3. Hand quilted (no machine quilting)
4. Any size quilt is acceptable
5. Must be made by the person entering and **finished within the last two years.**

MACHINE QUILTING EXCELLENCE AWARD

Qualifications:

1. Non-Professional category
2. Quilt top construction can be hand pieced, machine pieced or hand appliquéd
3. Machine quilted by self; can be completed using any machine.
4. Any size quilt is acceptable
5. Must be made by the person entering and **finished within the last two years.**

PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

Qualifications:

1. Must be a Professional according to the Rules & Regulations.
2. Quilt top construction can be hand pieced, machine pieced or hand appliquéd by self.
3. Hand or machine quilted by self
4. Any size quilt is acceptable
5. Must be made by the person entering and **finished within the last two years.**

## DIVISIONS/CLASSES

### DIVISIONS:

1	BED QUILTS	7	KITS
2	QUILTED HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS	8	MIXED MEDIA
3	CLOTHING, QUILTED	9	PROFESSIONAL
4	NOVELTY	10	SPECIAL EXHIBITOR
5	ANTIQUE QUILTS	11	JUNIOR EXHIBITOR
6	HOLIDAY THEME		

### JUDGING CRITERIA

1. Overall appearance should be pleasing, clean, neat and tidy.
2. Texture and color of fabrics should be well balanced and suitable for design.
3. Pieced corners should meet evenly with attention to appropriate grain line.
4. Seams should be trimmed and pressed so dark seams don't show through the light pieces. Construction stitching should not show.
5. If using a dark ground fabric for appliqué, it should be trimmed away so it doesn't shadow through lighter pieces.
6. Appliqué thread should match the appliqué piece.
7. Backing fabric should complement the front.
8. Quilting stitches should be small, even and consistent on both the front and back.
9. Quilting pattern should complement the quilt top.
10. No quilting pattern marks should show.
11. No knots or backstitches should show in the top or back.
12. Binding should complement the top, should be filled with all three layers and should be firmly stitched, mitered corner.
13. The entire quilt should be flat, corners square and edges straight.
14. The machine quilting stitch should be an even tension with no puckers or tucks on front or back.
15. Machine quilting threads should begin and end inconspicuously with no loose threads.

### DIVISION 1: BED QUILTS (twin or larger)

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

#### CLASSES:

PREMIUMS: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1

- QU-1-1 Quilts (smaller than a twin)
- QU-1-2 Beginning quilters (1-3 years' experience)
- QU-1-3 Embellishments on quilts
- QU-1-4 Paper piecing, quilts
- QU-1-5 Any other quilt

PREMIUMS: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

- QU-1-6 Hand pieced, hand quilted
- QU-1-7 Machine pieced, hand quilted
- QU-1-8 Machine pieced, machine quilted by self (can be completed using any machine)
- QU-1-9 Machine pieced, commercially quilted
- QU-1-10 Tied quilts or any other quilt
- QU-1-11 Quilt made by a group
- QU-1-12 Hand embroidery quilt
- QU-1-13 Machine embroidery quilt

PREMIUMS: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$8; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$6; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$4

- QU-1-14 Appliquéd, hand quilted
- QU-1-15 Appliquéd, machine quilted by self (can be completed using any machine)
- QU-1-16 Appliquéd, commercially quilted

**DIVISION 2: QUILTED HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS (all wall hangings must have a sleeve)**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

**CLASSES:**

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1

- QU-2-1 Small wall hanging, hand quilted (36" x 36" or smaller)
- QU-2-2 Small wall hanging, machine quilted (36" x 36" or smaller)
- QU-2-3 Small wall hanging, commercially quilted (36" x 36" or smaller)
- QU-2-4 Pillow
- QU-2-5 Doll quilt
- QU-2-6 Beginning quilters (1-3 years' experience)
- QU-2-7 Embellishments on quilted household furnishings
- QU-2-8 Paper piecing on quilted household furnishings
- QU-2-9 Any other quilted household furnishings

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

- QU-2-10 Large wall hanging, hand quilted (larger than 36" x 36")
- QU-2-11 Large wall hanging, machine quilted (larger than 36" x 36")
- QU-2-12 Large wall hanging, commercially quilted (larger than 36" x 36")
- QU-2-13 Original Art up to 36" x 36"
- QU-2-14 Original Art 36" x 36" or larger
- QU-2-15 Table linens (table cloth, runner or four placemats)
- QU-2-16 Miniatures (maximum size 18" x 24")

**DIVISION 3: CLOTHING – QUILTED**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

**CLASSES:**

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1

- QU-3-1 Vests
- QU-3-2 Beginning quilters (1-3 years' experience)
- QU-3-3 Embellishments on quilted clothing
- QU-3-4 Paper piecing on quilted clothing
- QU-3-5 Any other quilted clothing or bags

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

- QU-3-6 Jackets and coats

**DIVISION 4: NOVELTY QUILT**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

**CLASSES:**

- QU-4-1 Photo Transfer
- QU-4-2 Quilt using large denim or flannel squares with appliqué
- QU-4-3 Ragtime quilt
- QU-4-4 Beginning quilters (1-3 years' experience)
- QU-4-5 Embellishments on quilt
- QU-4-6 Paper piecing on quilt
- QU-4-7 Any other quilt

**DIVISION 5: ANTIQUE QUILTS**

**ENTRY FEE:** None

**PREMIUMS:** None

**CLASSES:**

- QU-5-1 Restoration of an antique quilt
- QU-5-2 Only for display

## **DIVISION 6: HOLIDAY THEME**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

### **CLASSES:**

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1

QU-6-1 Garments, quilted

QU-6-2 Other (table linens, lap quilt, stocking, tree skirt, etc.)

QU-6-3 Beginning quilters (1-3 years' experience)

QU-6-4 Embellishments on quilted article

QU-6-5 Paper piecing on quilted article

QU-6-6 Any other quilted article

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

QU-6-7 Bed quilt (twin or larger)

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$8; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$6; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$4

QU-6-8 Wall hanging

## **DIVISION 7: KITS**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

### **CLASSES:**

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1

QU-7-1 Fused wall hanging small (36" x 36" and smaller)

QU-7-2 Fused wall hanging large (larger than 36" x 36")

QU-7-3 Whole cloth (pre-printed) bed size

QU-7-4 Beginning quilters (1-3 years' experience)

QU-7-5 Embellishments on quilted article

QU-7-6 Paper piecing on quilted article

QU-7-7 Any other quilted article

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

QU-7-8 Traditional throw size

QU-7-9 Traditional bed size (twin or larger)

QU-7-10 Appliquéd wall hanging

QU-7-11 Appliquéd bed size

## **DIVISION 8: MIXED MEDIA**

### **REGULATIONS:**

1. Items can be quilts or wall hangings
2. This division is open to all levels of quilters

**ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$7; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3

### **CLASSES:**

QU-8-1 Handwork

QU-8-2 Machine Embroidery and Quilting

QU-8-3 Hand Embroidery and Quilting

QU-8-4 Painting and Quilting

QU-8-5 Machine Appliqué and Quilting

QU-8-6 Hand Appliqué and Quilting

QU-8-7 Beginning Quilters (1-3 years' experience)

QU-8-8 Embellishments on quilt or wall hanging

QU-8-9 Paper piecing on quilt or wall hanging

QU-8-10 Any other quilt or wall hanging

**DIVISION 9: PROFESSIONAL****ENTRY FEE:** \$2.25 per article**CLASSES:****PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$10; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5

QU-9-1 Small wall hanging (36" x 36" or smaller)

QU-9-2 Other

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$15; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$6

QU-9-3 Wall hanging (larger than 36" x 36")

QU-9-4 Original Art

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$20; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$10

QU-9-5 Bed quilt

QU-9-6 Quilted clothing &amp; Bags

QU-9-7 Group

**DIVISION 10: SPECIAL EXHIBITOR****ENTRY FEE:** None**PREMIUMS:** Ribbons**CLASSES:**

QU-10-1 Any other quilted article

**DIVISION 11: JUNIOR EXHIBITOR****ENTRY FEE:** None**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup>-\$3; 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$2; 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1

QU-11-1 Quilts (under 12 years)

QU-11-2 Wall hangings (under 12 years)

QU-11-3 Any other quilted article (under 12 years)

QU-11-4 Quilts (13-18 years)

QU-11-5 Wall hangings (13-18 years)

QU-11-6 Any other quilted article (13-18 years)

**CONTESTS/ACTIVITIES**

All visitors to the Department are invited to participate in the "I Spy" activity. Participants are challenged to find several special features hidden among the quilts. A quick answer form is filled out. The completed answer form is then entered in a drawing for prizes.

