



2026 Quilt Entry Rules

1. Basic Information

- If you have ever entered your quilt in an Ozark Piecemakers Quilt Guild (OPQG) Quilt Show, you may not enter it again.
- Quilts must arrive clean, thread free, undamaged and in excellent show ready condition.
 - ✓ No pet hair/fur, smoke and/or strong odors or your quilt will be disqualified.
 - ✓ Due to transfer issues with glitter embellishments on quilts, any quilt with attached glitter will be disqualified.
 - ✓ Each entry must be fully enclosed in its own protective fabric bag or pillowcase – NO PLASTIC BAGS, PAPER BAGS OR POOL NOODLES!
- All entries must be displayed using a sleeve (except Youth Ages 7 – 12 and Special Exhibit Framed Art).
 - ✓ Your quilt must have a 4" x "width of quilt" finished sleeve or casing *SEWN* to the top back edge of the quilt.
 - ✓ Sleeves should be secured with *stitching* at the top and bottom edges.
 - ✓ On large quilts, the top of the sleeve should be placed no more than 90" from the **BOTTOM** of the quilt so that the quilt will not drag on the floor.
 - ✓ If your quilt has an odd shape or multiple panels, they must be secured (at the top only) to a black fabric containing a sleeve, so that they hang as 1 unit.
 - ✓ The Registrar reserves the right to refuse an entry that cannot hang by a sleeve or may be deemed difficult to display in a safe manner.
 - ✓ See the attached document titled, "**How to Make a Quilt Sleeve**" for complete instructions.
- Quilts must consist of 3 distinct layers – top, batting and backing.
- Quilts must be quilted through all 3 layers by hand, machine or both.
- If you have a personal label on the back side of your quilt, please cover it.

2. Registration

- Each quilt submitted must:
 - ✓ Have its own completed registration form.
 - ✓ Be accompanied by the appropriate fee (if required).
 - ✓ Include a 4" x 6" photo of the quilt except Special Exhibit Framed Art which requires four (4) photos per entry.
 - ✓ Non-members of OPQG and Youth entrants must submit a Social Media/Image Release Waiver form.
 - ✓ Have a hanging sleeve (except Youth Ages 7 – 12 and Special Exhibit Framed Art).
- Youth Quilts –
 - ✓ Quilt must be made when the creator is 18 years of age or younger.
 - ✓ Quilt must be constructed entirely by the entrant.
 - No adult assistance with the physical work of creating the quilt is allowed but verbal assistance or instruction is allowed.
 - ✓ Perimeter for Youth Ages 7 – 12 must be between 80" – 144".
 - ✓ Perimeter for Youth Ages 13 – 18 must be between 80" – 248".
 - ✓ No sleeve required for Youth Ages 7 – 12.
 - ✓ Entry fees are waived for Youth entrants.
- Challenge Quilts –
 - ✓ Open to OPQG members only.
 - ✓ Entries are limited to one per person per challenge including both options in the Dual Challenge.

- Special Exhibit Framed Art –
 - ✓ Open to both members of OPQG and non-members of OPQG.
 - ✓ Must be framed fabric/textile art.
 - ✓ Hanging the art requires that the piece be wired with D-Rings, attached at least one-third from the top of the frame.
 - ✓ Sawtooth hangers will NOT be accepted.
 - ✓ Works must be two-dimensional (no three-dimensional work). The depth of the surface should not exceed 0.5 inch. Any raised media should stay intact with normal handling, hanging, and shipping.
 - ✓ Entrants may enter a maximum of three (3) pieces in this category.
 - ✓ Submissions must be created within the three (3) years prior to the OPQG quilt show.
 - ✓ Entry fees are waived for Special Exhibit Framed Art entrants.
- Members of OPQG may enter two (2) quilts in each judged category:
 - ✓ Members will be charged a \$10.00 non-refundable entry fee per quilt entered in the judged categories.
 - ✓ There is no limit nor entry fee for quilts submitted by OPQG members in the non-judged categories.
- Non-members of OPQG may enter two (2) quilts in each judged category:
 - ✓ Non-members will be charged a \$25.00 non-refundable entry fee per quilt.
 - ✓ Non-members of OPQG may NOT enter quilts in any non-judged category.
- 2 registration labels per quilt will be mailed to each entrant:
 - ✓ Pin one label, with two safety pins, to the lower right-hand back corner of your quilt (when viewed from the back).
 - ✓ Pin the second label, with two safety pins, to the outside of the pillowcase or cloth bag.

3. Categories

- If an entry seems out of place or better placed in another category, the Registrar and/or the judge reserve the right to move a quilt to a category other than the one in which it was entered.
- If five (5) or fewer quilts are entered in a category, the Registrar reserves the right to re-categorize quilts and combine or eliminate categories as needed.
- The Registrar reserves the right to refuse to hang a quilt deemed to have inappropriate subject matter.

4. Prizes & Judges Comments

- Any and all awards, prize money or honors given to a quilt will only go to the ENTRANT of the quilt, even if more than one person participated in the construction and/or the quilting of the entry. The entrant must have been involved in the actual creation of the entry.
- First, second, third and honorable mention awards (at the judge's discretion) will be given in judged categories.
- At the discretion of the judge, all awards may not be given in each category.
- Prize money and judge's comments (for all judged quilts) can be picked up at Guest Services beginning on the first day of the show and continuing through the end of the show.
- A valid form of ID must be presented at Guest Services to collect prize money.

5. Insurance

- Each entry will be insured. A default value will be assigned based on size. If the entrant feels the assigned value is too low, an appraisal by a certified quilt appraiser, **issued in the last five years**, must accompany the registration form. The default values are as follows:
 - ✓ \$500 for quilts 60" and greater on the shortest side
 - ✓ \$250 for quilts less than 60" and greater than 24" on the shortest side
 - ✓ \$150 for quilts 24" and smaller on the longest side
 - ✓ \$50 for purses, quilted projects and other miscellaneous items