



QUILT SHOW RULES

BLACK HILLS QUILTERS GUILD

JUNE 5, 6, & 7, 2025

Additional information is available at www.bhquilters.org ; for questions email info@bhquilters.org

1. Quilt Registration: See www.bhquilters.org for registration and payment. Paper forms are available at guild meetings and at local quilt shops. A separate form must be used for each quilt entered.
2. Payment for judging quilt: Submit \$15.00 per quilt for members and \$25.00 per quilt for non-members.
Payment must be done online or accompany the paper registration form. No fee for non-judged quilts.
3. Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 6, 2025. **No unregistered quilts will be accepted on June 4.**
4. Quilts must be delivered to The Monument on **WEDNESDAY, June 4, between 8:00 AM – Noon.**
5. Quilts will be released at approximately **5:00 p.m. on SATURDAY, June 7.**
6. Quilts must be clean and odor-free.
7. All quilts must have 3 layers (top, batting and back) and be quilted. Limited exceptions are noted in category descriptions.
8. Judged quilts cannot have a false back (backing covers the quilting), a frame (quilt stretched over wooden frame), and must have a binding. Limited exceptions are noted in category descriptions.
9. All quilts must have been made within the last 3 years and not previously entered in the Black Hills Quilt Show.
10. BHQG reserves the right to reject quilts of an offensive nature.
11. BHQG reserves the right to place your quilt in a different category if it does not match the definition of the category or to combine or eliminate categories if there are less than 5 quilts in a category.
12. BHQG reserves the right to photograph quilts and display them on our website.
13. Entries may be offered for sale with the owner setting their price. Consignment fee is 10% for members and 20% for non-members.

Guild Challenge

The Guild Challenge is open to BHQG Members Only. It requires purchase of a kit for \$5 which includes fabric and rules for the challenge, as well as, a registration form. The completed project and registration form are returned to the challenge chairs upon completion. These are not registered via the standard registration process; use the registration form in the kit. Attendees will have the opportunity to vote for their favorites.

UFO Contest

The UFO contest is open to BHQG Members Only. The quilt must have been started before August 1, 2024 and finished by May 6, 2025. These quilts will be displayed along with other quilts in the show in the area that matches their category and identified with a UFO label. Prizes will be awarded.

What's New?

New categories have been added for the Non-Judged Quilts in an effort to hang similar types of quilts together and to balance the number of quilts in each category. The Non-Judged quilts will not be divided by Professionally Machine Quilted and Non-Professionally Machine Quilted.

Category Definitions are given on next page

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Judged Quilt Categories

Pieced Quilts will be divided by size.

Applique and Pieced Quilts will be divided by type of quilting.

Category Name	Description
Hand Quilted	Quilt must be entirely hand quilted
Traditional Applique	Edges of cut out shapes are turned and hand stitched to a background
Modern Applique	Cut out shapes are attached to a background, usually with a fusible product and then machine stitched to the background (includes collage)
Pieced	Pieces of fabric are stitched together to make blocks; may be machine or hand-stitched.
Novelty Quilts	Quilt must be predominately a special technique. Examples: whole cloth, yoyos, crazy quilt, cathedral window, biscuit/puff quilt. Exceptions: some techniques commonly use a false back or less than 3 layers or no binding
Art Quilts	The quilt and all components must be an original design created by the quilter (no patterns or copies of existing works). Exceptions: Binding is not required; false backs and linings are allowed
Miniature	Perimeter must be 120" or less with blocks 4-inches or less. All components must be miniature in scale.
Miscellaneous	Wearables and home décor items Examples: clothing, totes, purses, table runners, placemats, chairs, pillows, stuffed toys. Exceptions: Binding not required; false backs and lining are allowed
Wool Applique	Applique of pieces of wool to a fabric background using embroidery stitches. Exceptions: Three layers are not required

Type of Quilting (applies to Judged only)

Professionally Machine Quilted is done by someone who quilts for hire or formerly quilted for hire

Non-Professionally Machine Quilted is done by someone who does not quilt for hire.

Non-Judged Quilt Categories

Non-Judged includes the categories listed above, as well as the new ones listed below.

Pieced quilts will be divided into Machine Pieced and Hand Pieced.

Non-Judged quilts will not be divided by the type of quilting.

Hand Pieced	Pieces of fabric are stitched together by hand to make a block. Examples: English paper piecing, Millefiori, Dear Jane
Foundation Pieced	Uses a foundation piecing technique
Scrap Happy	More than 50% of the fabrics used in the quilt top come from your scrap stash
Made from a Kit	Made using a kit which provided pattern and fabric packaged as a unit for retail sale.
Made from a Panel	Uses one or more panels. Panel may be used whole or cut apart to make blocks; includes photos printed on fabric.
Made for a Child	Quilt must be twin size or smaller with a child or infant theme
Happy Holidays	Holiday themed quilts. Examples: Patriotic, Valentine's, Halloween, Christmas, and other holidays
Embellished	Uses a significant quantity of surface embellishments. May include but is not limited to: machine or hand embroidery, beads, crystals, buttons, thread painting, and/or wool applique. Exception for wool applique: Does not require 3 layers.
Special Exhibit	Includes BHQG displays, Special Interest Groups, & Inspiration Studio (More information on website)