



2027 Splash of Color Cabarrus Quilters Guild Quilt Show Rules and Entry Form

1. Entry forms must be received no later than Monday, April 19, 2027
2. Entries may be made online through the Cabarrus Quilters Guild website, cabarrusquiltersguild.org or paper at Guild meetings in March and April or mailed to Cabarrus Quilters Guild, PO Box 1883, Concord, NC 28026.
3. Each entry requires an entry form.
4. Entry Fee: for CQG members the fee is \$10 for the first quilt, additional quilts are \$5 each. For non-CQG members the fee is \$15 for the first quilt submitted, \$10 for each additional quilt. No fee for Youth, Challenge, or Display Quilts.
5. Member Entrants must be Cabarrus Quilters Guild (CQG) members for 2027.
6. All entrants may enter any number of quilts, limited to two judged quilts per category. There are unlimited entries in the category: For Display Only, based on space available.
7. Entry must have three (3) layers (top, middle, and backing). Entry must be quilted, not tied, with the following exceptions: crazy quilts, yo-yo quilts, cathedral window quilts, specialty quilts, home décor and wearables. Quilting is defined as a running stitch that passes through top, middle layer, and backing.
8. All quilts entered must be in good condition, odor free, clean and free of dirt and animal hair. It is the right of the Judging Committee to refuse any entry.
9. Multi-piece quilt items, such as table runners in multiple pieces, should be pinned at top edge of each piece to a piece of black fabric that is 2 inches larger than the whole quilted item. Measurement for the entry form is for the backing fabric but must indicate how many pieces are in the set.
10. The Quilt Show Committee and/or judges reserve the right to divide or combine categories and to move entries to a more appropriate category.
11. Quilts need to have been completed after January 1, 2024, and may not have been previously judged in the CQG show.
12. Quilts in category Art Quilt may not contain copyrighted images.
13. Quilts that have won a prize in a national competition (e.g., AQS, Mancuso, Quilt Odyssey, Quiltcon, etc) may be submitted **For Display only** and will not be judged.
14. All quilts must be labeled that should include the name of the quilt, the maker's name and year made. This label can be permanent or temporary on a piece of muslin. Temporary labels should be placed under the entry number.
15. Each entrant will be notified of the entry number(s) a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the drop-off date. On the muslin cover label, the entry number must be written in large numbers. The entry number must be placed in the lower left corner of the quilt as looking at it from the back. If the permanent label is not in this location, cover the permanent label with muslin and place the entry number in the lower left corner. Entry number labels can be attached with pins, painter tape or running stitch.
16. **Noodles** – if the quilt needs to be rolled instead of folded, entrants may use only 1 pool noodle, cut to size & “Noodle” must be noted on cover label with the entry number. Write the entry number on the end of the noodle. No entries will be accepted on hangers.
17. All quilts must be dropped off by Monday June 10 between 5:30 and 9 pm and Tuesday June 11 between 9 am and 5:00 pm. Drop off location will be Harrisburg Presbyterian Church, 4815 State Hwy. 49, Harrisburg, NC 28075. If entrants cannot drop-off in person, contact the quilt committee at cabarrusquiltshow@gmail.com for instructions on mailing or alternative drop-off options.
18. The show is located at **601 Milestone Venue, 595 Warren Coleman Blvd, Concord, NC.**
19. All quilts must be picked up after the show on Saturday, June 5, 2027. We will do our best to have the quilts ready at 5:15 pm. All quilts will be processed before any quilt can be picked up. **No exceptions.**
20. Entries will **NOT** be returned by mail.

DEFINITIONS

- **Solo** – Quilts made entirely by one person, i.e., pieced, quilted and bound by the maker.
- **Duet** – Quilts completed by two persons. Includes all quilts that have been quilted by someone other than the piecer.
- **Stationary Machine** – Process of moving the fabric through the sewing machine, regardless of domestic or longarm machine.
- **Movable Machine** – Process of moving the machine on a track, regardless of domestic or longarm machine.
- **Computer Guided (Movable) Quilting** – All quilting completed using a track mounted machine using a computer program to control the pattern.
- **Machine Embroidery Quilting** – Quilts where quilting is done with computerized embroidery machine.
- **Quilting by Embroidery Machine** – Quilting of the layers of the quilt is performed by an embroidery machine.
- **Pattern** – Please provide if a kit or block of the month, pattern name and designer.

CATEGORIES

- **Pieced Quilt** – The predominant technique is pieced. – Size definitions – Small Perimeter of 150 inches or less; Medium Perimeter of 240 inches or less; Large 320 inches or less; Xlarge Perimeter over 320 inches.
- **Applique** – Quilts must contain at least 40% applique
- **Original Design** – Quilt must be original design. Pattern cannot be published in any format.
- **Machine Embroidery** – Quilts with at least 40% machine embroidery as a design element, may include embellishments on quilt.
- **Panel Quilt** – Quilts must contain at least 40% panel, either as one piece or as blocks
- **Mixed Technique** – Quilts using 3 or more techniques, i.e. applique, hand work, pieced, embellished
- **New Quilter** – Quilt completed by someone with less than three years of quilting. Quilts may be professionally quilted. **Limited to one entry per entrant. If more than one entry, cannot submit for this category.** Any size.
- **Youth Quilter** – **Any quilt made by someone 19 and under.** The maker does not need to be a member to enter. No entry fee
- **Group Quilt** – Quilt that three (3) or more people were involved in making the top. Any size or style.
- **Art Quilt** – Quilt must be an original design and made solely by one person. No commercial patterns. Non-traditional pieced or mixed media such as embellishments, paints, Angelina hair, beads, paper, thread paint, etc. are used in the construction of the quilt. Made as an expression of art.
- **Miniature Quilt** – All aspects of the quilt are reduced in scale with **no side larger than 24 inches**. Quilt blocks, if used, must **NOT exceed 4"**. A miniature quilt is not a quilt block with borders, but a quilt with all the components of their larger counterpart. A photograph of a miniature quilt should look as though it was a photo of a full-sized quilt.
- **Specialty Quilts** – Any quilt that does not obviously fit into any other category such as whole cloth, yo-yo, crazy quilt, cathedral windows, T-shirt quilts, hand-tied, leather, etc. Quilts in this category may also include innovative techniques such as leaf pounding, as well as embellishments, painted surfaces, thread sketching, silk screening, photo transfers.
- **Home Decor** – Must be two (2) or more layers and contain some quilting and may have embellishments such as beading, felting or embroidery. Items include baskets, tree skirts, stockings, table runners, potholders, bowls, etc.
- **Wearable** - Any quilted item that can be worn. Items in this category include jackets, vests, hats and shoes. This category can have items that are only two layers, but must be quilted.
- **Accessories** – Any quilted item that can be carried or used as a container. Items in this category include purses, totes, luggage, Items **must** have a zipper, strap, button or closure
- **Challenge Quilt** -- Quilts for the current year's Cabarrus Quilt Guild Challenge must be entered in this category following all rules of the challenge. No entry fee, limit one per member.
- **Display Only** – This can be a quilt of any size or type but will not be judged. Show committee reserves the right to limit entries in this category if space is an issue. No entry fee.