

# Clark County Quilters Quilt Show Newsletter “Blue Moon Scoop”



## Changes in our Quilt Entries

Your quilts are the “stars” of our show. Our Guild is an amazing pool of talent, and our show allows us to display this talent. We exhibit quilts in all spectrums from youth and first-time exhibitors to award winning traditional and art pieces.

In the past, our guests have sometimes been confused as they voted for the Viewer’s Choice awards. “Why does this quilt have a ribbon and this one does not?” It was always the quilter’s choice to have his or her quilt judged by Certified Judges and to perhaps win a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon. Many quilters chose to have their quilts judged so they could receive the written critique about their work. The critiques from the judges included notes on what was done exceptionally well and usually one suggestion for improvement.

As our show continues to become a “destination event,” it is time for all the quilts entered by our guild members to be judged. We have several reasons for this change:

- Alleviate confusion by our guests.
- We are billed by our judges for the total number of quilts in the show – judged or not judged.
- During the judging process, it’s been confusing to the judging team to “skip” some quilts. Having all quilts judged in a category will streamline the judging process.
- The initiation of Skill Levels at our 2017 show allows quilters to receive a judge’s critique based on capability and proficiency. Beginners are not compared to advanced quilters.

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## **Quilt Show Fee**

Another change is that all quilt entries will require a \$10 entry fee. This was not an easy decision, but reached with thoughtful consideration.

- This affects less than 25 percent of the quilts typically entered in our show.
- All participants will share in the show costs. Every quilt should be expected to help cover the minimum costs of Rent, Equipment Purchases, and Viewer's Choice ribbons and prize monies.
- Income from the Quilt Show provides the largest percentage of monies to our Guild treasury fund. The judging fees will not increase, but the revenue for judging will increase by an expected \$500 to \$800.
- The Entry Fee does not apply to Guest Exhibits, nor will it apply to our Quilt Challenge Quilts.

We recognize that this may be a monetary hardship for some of our members. We are hoping to find some generous members who can assist with a "scholarship fund."

### **3-D is a New Category**

One of our special exhibits this year is a collection of 3-D houses. That inspired us to add a **3-D Category** to our list of entries. Our membership is so talented and creative, we're not totally sure what we'll receive as 3-D entries. We anticipate bowls, books, dolls, and objects d'art. Information about this category can be found in the Quilt Show Entry Guidelines on the website.



### **Special Exhibits**

We are very excited about the quality and quantity of our special exhibits.

- 90 quilts from the Unesco World Heritage Site Traveling Quilts
- The Fort Vancouver Tapestry
- Fairy Garden by elinor peace bailey
- Art Quilters of the Gorge – "Beyond the Block"
- The Vagabonds – Quilts from recycled wedding gowns
- Thread Friends – 3-D houses
- Thread Tales – Quilts that reflect a year in literature

### **Quilt Show Team Meetings**

We will hold our first Quilt Show Team Meeting at our new location at our January Guild Meeting.

### Categories and Skill Levels

Categories and Skill Levels will be identical to those of our 2017 event. Guidelines and entry forms will soon be available on the website.

### Latimer Quilt Museum

Volunteers from the Latimer Quilt Museum will be available Thursday afternoon and Friday morning to present a traditional “bed turning.” Quilts through eras will be displayed.

They will also be available to help you appraise a family quilt. For a fee of \$20, they can provide approximate dates and value for your heirloom quilts.

### It’s a Jelly Roll Race

How fun it this! Our quilt show committee is working with Comfort Quilts to create a contest on Friday afternoon. Teams of two will pay a registration fee to compete in a jelly roll race. Jelly roll fabrics will be provided by Comfort Quilts and the completed tops will be returned to Comfort Quilts for completion. The two members of the winning team can each bring a quilt top to Comfort Quilts to receive an edge-to-edge quilting.

**We are seeking a volunteer to coordinate this event for us.**

### Entry Form and Guidelines

The entry forms and guidelines should be available on the web soon. Entry forms are due by our February meeting which will be on February 1, 2018. Your entry forms can be turned in at our November, January, or February meetings or they can be mailed to:

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If you have any questions about your entry forms, please contact us.

## Class Registrations Are Open

Val Pellens is our Education Coordinator will take your class registrations. Two classes are being offered by our Guild.

- **Lynn Czaban**, our Featured Quilter, will be teaching a two-day Portrait Quilting class on Thursday and Friday.
- **Debby Potter** will be teaching Fanciful and Decorative Houses on Saturday.

An "Introduction to Judging" class will be offered during our show by Kathie Kerler. Information about her class is available on the website. Arrange your registrations directly with Kathie. This is a class for those who

- want to become judges
- are coordinating the judging process at a show
- want to know what makes a winning quilt
- want to know "What were the judges thinking?"

### Vendors

Arden and Nancy have already secured 21 **vendors** for our show. Names and websites (if available) are listed on our CCQ website. We encourage you to check out their on-line presence.

### Sponsor for First Time

#### Exhibitors

We are seeking a sponsor for our First - Time Exhibitors. If you or a group of friends have an interest in this exhibit, please contact us.