

Georgia Celebrates Quilts® 2017 – Rules of Entry

Presented by East Cobb Quilters' Guild, Inc. (ECQG)
Thursday through Saturday June 8-10, 2017
Cobb County Civic Center, 540 S. Marietta Pkwy, Marietta, GA

- This is a juried and judged quilt show and not all entries may be accepted into the show.
- Insurance for an entry is the responsibility of the entrant. ECQG makes every effort to monitor the safety of all entries.
- By submitting your entry, you are giving permission for it to be photographed by viewers and ECQG. ECQG images of show entries may be used for ECQG marketing purposes.
- Entries that do not meet the following Rules of Entry will not be accepted.

Rules of Entry

1. Entrant. Each entry must be the work of a current East Cobb Quilters' Guild, Inc. (ECQG) member or a resident of the state of Georgia. Quilts must be the sole work of the entrant, except for the Two Person, Group and Young Quilter categories.
2. Entry Fee. A non-refundable \$10 entry fee is required for each quilt if the entrant is not an ECQG member. (Entries in Young Quilters category are exempt from the entry fee.)
3. Young Quilters. Entrants in the Young Quilters category must be residents of the state of Georgia and 18 or under as of the date the quilt show begins (June 8, 2017). There is no entry fee for this category. The age of the Young Quilter must be included on the entry form and this age will be published in the program. Each quilt entered in the Young Quilters category must be pieced and or appliqued by the entrant, but may be quilted by another person. Young Quilters are not limited to this category, but if a young quilter enters a quilt in a category other than Young Quilters, the appropriate entry fee and rules will apply.
4. Entry form. Fill out the online or paper entry form completely. Sometimes a quilt will fit into more than one category so read all the descriptions and place your quilt in the most appropriate category. However, final placement will be at the discretion of the appropriate ECQG committee and/or judges. Indicate whether you will hand-deliver or ship your entry and follow the directions for online submittal or mailing.
5. Photos. Each entry must be accompanied by color photos of the quilt. One photograph should show the entire quilt and one should be a close-up of the quilt. For paper entry forms, please send 2 copies of the overall quilt photo and one close-up. Please write your name, the title of the entry, and its dimensions on the back of the photographs. Digital printouts are acceptable. For online entries, submit both the overall and close-up photos. Entries submitted without required photos will not be accepted.
6. Date of Completion. The entry must have been completed in 2015, 2016, or 2017 and not have been shown in a previous Georgia Celebrates Quilts® show.
7. Quilting. All entries must contain three layers and must be quilted by hand and/or machine unless the quilt is a crazy quilt, yo-yo quilt, or cathedral window quilt.

8. Hanging Sleeve. A four-inch sleeve must be sewn to the top back of all quilts, unless the quilt is entered in the Miniature category, in which case it can have a smaller, appropriately sized sleeve. If the quilt is over 8 feet in length, attach the sleeve 8 feet above the bottom edge if you do not want the quilt to touch the ground. Quilts received without a sleeve will not be judged or displayed.
9. False Backs. Because judges cannot adequately assess quilts with false backs, these quilts will not be judged and are ineligible for an award or prize. ECQG has the discretion to hang these quilts for display only.
10. Two Sided Quilts. No quilts will be hung in the show to display two sides. All photos of the quilt entered must be of the side of the quilt that is to be displayed in the show.
11. First Entry. Judges will award recognition ribbons to quilts entered by quilters who have not entered an East Cobb Quilt Guild show before. If more than one quilt is entered, only one can be designated as "first entry" and eligible for the ribbon.
12. No Special Handling/Hanging. Entries that require special handling and/or hanging will not be accepted.
13. Entry Packaging. Each quilt entry must be in a cloth bag or pillowcase measuring at least 18" x 20". It is preferred the quilts be folded into the bag, however, quilts will be accepted wrapped around foam swim noodles. Noodles must be marked with entrant's name, name of entry, and a phone number. Quilts wrapped on noodles must also be in a bag large enough to enclose the tube and quilt completely: no added padding or packaging will be accepted with these entries. Entries without appropriate packaging will not be accepted at the time of quilt turn-in on June 3, 2017, or upon delivery, if shipped.
14. Labels. The entrant's name, the name of the quilt, and a phone number must be clearly written (or securely attached) on all packaging. The quilt must also be labeled with the name of the entrant and title of the entry.
15. Acceptance and Confirmation Email. You will receive confirmation by email of **acceptance or rejection** of each of your quilt entries along with drop-off/pick-up or shipping information. **If you do not receive an email by May 1, 2017**, please contact Andi Barney at 404-909-4712 or by email at quiltentry@ecqg.com.
16. Return Envelope. If the entry is submitted on a paper form and the entrant is unable to receive email, you must send one Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE) for notification of whether the entry is accepted or not. Please note: if more than one entry is being submitted, only one (1) SASE is required.
17. Quilt Return. All quilts must remain on display until the end of the show. There are no exceptions. Quilt pick-up will begin on Saturday, June 10, no earlier than 7 pm after the close of the show. Shipped entries will be returned the week after the show.
18. Deadline. No telephone or email entries will be accepted. Online entries must be submitted by 11:59pm Eastern March 18, 2017. Paper entry forms and enclosures (photographs and fees, if not an ECQG member) must be postmarked on or before March 18, 2017. The mailing address is: Georgia Celebrates Quilts® - 2017, Andi Barney, 781 Grist Mill Dr., Acworth, GA 30101

Timetable

March 18	Entries must be submitted online or postmarked
April 29	Jurying results emailed
May 31	All shipped entries must be received
June 3	All hand-delivered entries must be received
June 7	Preview Party and Awards Ceremony
June 8-10	Georgia Celebrates Quilts – 2017
June 10	All hand-delivered entries must be picked up.
June 16	Shipped entries returned.

Prizes and Awards

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All monetary awards will be made to the entrant. Entries eligible for a ribbon in the Two Person categories will be awarded two ribbons. Entries eligible for a ribbon in the Group category will be awarded one ribbon, presented to the entrant.

Best of Show	\$700
Best Hand Quilted	\$300
Best Home Machine Quilted	\$300
Best Track Mounted Machine Quilted	\$300
Best Computerized Machine Quilted	\$300
First in Category	\$150

Ribbons only will be awarded for Second Place, Third Place, and Honorable Mention in each category at the Judges' discretion. Not all ribbons and prizes may be awarded.

Ribbons only (no cash prizes) will be awarded for Young Quilters, Judges' Recognitions, First Entry, Viewers' Choice, and Quilters' Choice. Participation ribbons will be awarded to all Young Quilters entries selected for the show

Category Placement: ECQG committee and/or judges reserve the right to combine or divide categories as needed. Final placement in a category will be at the discretion of the appropriate ECQG committee and/or judges. No quilt can be placed in more than one category.