

2020 QUILT FIESTA

Dear Quilter,

Thank you for entering this year's show. We are so pleased with the number and quality of the entries we received this year and expect that the show will be exciting for us and our visitors. Please take the time to read through and follow these instructions for preparing your quilt for delivery and hanging.

Enclosed are your ID labels and your Quilt Claim checks for ALL your entries.

- **The ID label for each quilt** should be SEWN to the **lower left-hand corner** of the back of the quilt (see page 2). The Quilt Display Committee strongly recommends that you have your own personal label sewn to the quilt as well. If you are having your quilt judged, please baste a piece of muslin over your name to allow for anonymity during judging.
- **The ID label for each quilt bag** should be SEWN near the center of the open end of a clean and appropriately sized lightweight cloth bag no larger than a King size pillow case. This will allow for easy inspection by the intake workers at the Guild meetings in February. This bag is intended to keep your quilt clean in transit. Each entry must have its own bag with no Velcro, pins, drawstrings, ties, or zipper as these can damage your quilt or someone else's quilt. No quilt will be accepted without the bag.
- **The Quilt Claim Checks** are required to pick up your quilt! **NO CLAIM CHECK, NO QUILT!** **ALL QUILTS**, whether judged or not, **NEED: A 4- inch quilt sleeve**. On page 2 are instructions for making a hanging sleeve to assist you in constructing the sleeve and sewing it on the back of your quilt.
- **To be clean and odor free.** Any quilt or quilt bag that has an odor or pet hair **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**. We would like to advise that if you or someone in your home smokes, you should clean your quilt and quilt bag and store it outside of your home until check-in. Even if you cannot smell anything on the quilt, there is the odor of smoke on it. Pet hair **MUST BE REMOVED**, or the quilt will not be accepted.

DROP OFF: All quilts, judged and non-judged, **MUST be brought to the Guild Library room February 11th between 6:30 and 8 pm or February 12th, 2020 between 9:30 and 11 am. There are no regular Guild meetings.** If you are unable to bring your quilt(s), ask a friend to deliver them for you. If you absolutely cannot make either of those time, call **Joan Swanson 297-8433/275-0797**.

PICK UP: Your quilt **MUST** be picked up at the Tucson Convention Center on Sunday, February 23, 2020 after the show, beginning at 5:30 pm. Please be patient...we will be handling over 300 quilts! For the security of your quilts, no quilts will be released until all the quilts have been taken down, packaged in their cloth bags, and organized for pick-up. You must present your **claim check** and initial a form indicating that you have received your quilt. If you wish to have a friend or relative pick up your quilt, that person **MUST** have the claim check and initial the form.

While the Quilt Guild and the Quilt Display Committee will make every effort to ensure the safety of your entry, insurance is the responsibility of the owner.

Again, thank you for entering your quilt. We look forward to seeing your quilt in the show in February. If for any reason you are unable to display your quilt at the show, or if you have questions about your entry, please call JoAnn Hinchliffe or Karen Kelter 867-8073/ 319-0326 **as soon as possible**.

Sincerely, The Entry and Hanging Committees
requirements)

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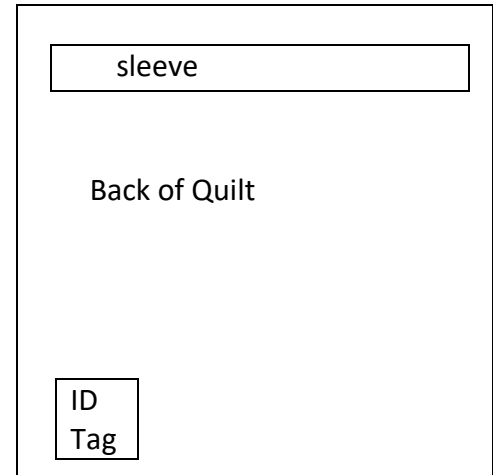
HANGING REQUIREMENTS

All Quilts require a hanging sleeve.

Here are instructions for a sleeve that will be **four inches deep** when constructed. This is the standard for quilt shows and competitions around the country.

Cut or piece together a piece of muslin or other fabric **8 ½ Inches in depth** and as long as the width of the quilt for which the sleeve is intended.

Turn hem to the outside at each short end wrong sides together and machine stitch. Fold the sleeve in half lengthwise wrong sides together. Sew a ¼ inch seam along the raw edges. **DO NOT TURN.**



Position the sleeve so that the raw edges of the seam are facing the back. Pin the sleeve across the back below the binding. The sleeve should now measure 4 inches in depth. Whip stitch the sleeve to the back across the top and bottom, being careful that your stitches do not go through the front of the quilt.

When your quilt is hung, the rod will go through the sleeve and not between the sleeve and the back. The rod will not catch, since the hems are facing to the outside and the seam is facing the back.

MINIATURE QUILTS ONLY, require a smaller sleeve. CATEGORY 800

Miniature quilts still need a sleeve, but it doesn't have to be as deep. Here are instructions for a sleeve that will be **three inches deep** when constructed.

Cut a piece of muslin or other fabric **6 ½ inches deep** and as long as the width of the quilt for which the sleeve is intended. Proceed as above.

PREPARING YOUR QUILT AND QUILT BAG:

Every effort is made by the judging and Quilt Display committees to insure the proper handling of your quilts while they are in our care. You can assist us in our jobs by doing a few simple things regarding your quilt show entries.

YOUR QUILT WILL BE REFUSED AT JUDGING IF YOU DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

1. Cut apart the enclosed labels and sew them onto your quilt and quilt bag as directed.
2. **Before** you put your quilt in the bag be sure to use a lint roller (on the front and back of the quilt) to remove pet hair, lint and loose threads. If there is a smoker in your house, air out the quilt and the bag before submission. Your quilt may come into contact with other quilts, especially during the judging process and the show set-up and take-down. That is the reason we insist on clean, hair-free and odor-free entries. Failure to clean the quilt and bag may result in your quilt being refused.
3. Make sure the bag is **not too big or too small, all one piece, no flannel, no Velcro, no zippers, no safety pins, no drawstrings, no ties, and CLEAN** inside no lint and feathers have transferred to the quilt

inside. No oily stains and no feathers please!! To be safe, wash the bag and use a lint roller before you insert the quilt.

4. Please fold your quilt top to bottom first, then again to place it in the cloth bag so that both the label and sleeve are easily visible at the open end of the bag. This will make it easy for those receiving you quilt to quickly verify that the label and sleeve are present.
5. No cardboard rolls will be permitted but if your quilt has been pre-approved for special handling by the judging committee, you may submit it rolled onto a swim noodle no longer than 48 inches in length. **The noodle should be labeled with the entry number ON BOTH ENDS OF THE NOODLE with magic marker.** An appropriately sized bag should be made to enclose the rolled quilt.

Pre-approval for special handling must be obtained prior to February 11, 2020.

Judged Quilts: contact Karen Kelter 319-0326 or JoAnn Hinchliffe 867-8073 for approval
Non-judged quilts: contact Joan Swanson 297-8433 for approval