



## 2017 SUGAR Conference Quilt Competition Categories

We invite Statler® longarm quilters to enter their digitally-created quilts in the 2017 SUGAR Conference Quilt Competition. Quilts may include up to 20% hand-guided quilting in any category, with the exception of the Challenge. Please refer to the *Quilt Challenge Requirements* PDF for instructions on the “I Did It My Way” Challenge.

**Appliqué:** A functional bed quilt that is predominantly appliquéd. It can be pieced or wholecloth. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**Art Quilt:** Piecing and quilting must be of original form and composition. This category highlights any art quilt including whimsical, digital, pictorial, landscapes, portraits or figures. The use of specialty threads, embellishments, paint, beading, trims, embroidery, or appliqué is allowed. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**Bread & Butter:** Show us what you do for your customers’ quilts which are intended for daily use. Intricate custom quilting will be disqualified in this category. This category is for a quilt designed for easy in and out for the customer in a hurry. This category is for allover/pantograph/E2E only. Entry must be clearly seen as a useable bed quilt. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**Group Quilt:** Any quilt that three or more people work on in the construction or finishing in any way, including the quilting. The submitting entrant must have worked on the quilt. Quilts must be a true team effort between a group of piecers and quilters and not a business arrangement. This includes guild/community group quilts, charity, round robin, family quilts, and memory quilts. Remember to tell us the story behind the making of your quilt on the entry form as this will be read to the judge and posted with the quilt. One ribbon will be awarded to the group. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**Junior Quilter:** Young quilters are the future of our craft, and we are excited to see their creativity. Junior quilters must be 17 years of age or younger as of June 1, 2017. Quilts may be pieced and bound by another, but must be quilted by the junior quilter with the help and guidance of a mentor. The use of specialty threads, embellishments, paint, beading, trims, embroidery, or appliqué is allowed. Quilt must be entered under the name of the mentor, but will be exhibited with the junior’s name first. May also contain up to 20% freehand. Remember to tell us your story on the entry form as this will be read to the judge and posted on the quilt. Two ribbons will be awarded in this category: Junior and Mentor. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**Just For Me:** For those that quilt just for themselves and do not quilt or produce quilts professionally. Any type of quilt may be entered, but ALL work must be done exclusively by one person, the entrant. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**Modern:** Machine quilting has come a long way baby! Celebrating machine quilting that emphasizes and compliments modern style quilts. Common features of modern quilting include bold piecing utilizing bold fabrics, high contrast and graphic areas, improvisational piecing, minimalism, expansive negative space, and alternative grid work. Machine quilting enhances the graphic nature of the quilt top with quilting designs used in different and unexpected ways. Every side must be no more than 96”.

**New Kid on the Block:** So, you just finished your quilt but don't feel you are ready to compete with the pros? This is for you! This category is limited to those that have never shown a quilt on a national level before. Those that have previously entered a SUGAR Quilt Show are ineligible for this category. Note: You may also enter additional quilts in any other category. Every side must be no more than 96".

**Pieced:** A functional bed quilt that is pieced using traditional blocks and traditional style patterns. Limited appliqué (up to 20%) is allowed. Every side must be no more than 96".

**Traditional Miniature:** Any quilt, measuring no more than 24 inches (61 cm) on any side. Piecing and quilting that reflects proportionately reduced scale and miniaturization. If using blocks, they should be no more than 4 inches square. Whole cloth must be one piece of fabric.

**Wall Hanging:** This is any quilt that is intended to be displayed on a wall, and not a bed quilt. Embellishment such as embroidery, appliqué, beading, thread play, buttons and other are allowed. All embellishments must be securely attached. Every side must be no more than 96".

**Wholecloth:** Entire top must be the same fabric of not more than three pieces pieced to make an entire top. No purchased wholecloth digital design sets are allowed. The quilting is the focal point. May also include subtle embellishments. Every side must be no more than 96".