



## 2017 SUGAR Conference Quilt Competition

*SUGAR's purpose in hosting a quilt competition includes promoting and encouraging Statler® owners to share their art of quilting, to present examples of excellence in digital design usage and creativity, and to promote the education and awareness of computerized machine quilting in the community.*

### Rules & Conditions:

Please read the following general rules carefully as well as the specific quilt category descriptions. It is your responsibility to read and understand the rules. If you have questions please contact Quilt Show Coordinator, Debbie Breer, at [debbie@sugarconference.com](mailto:debbie@sugarconference.com). Please help us prevent entry disqualifications.

1. Quilts must be entered online by May 1, 2017.
2. All entrants must be current SUGAR members.
3. Quilts must have been completed after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
4. Any quilt previously entered at a SUGAR Conference is excluded from entry.
5. You may enter all applicable categories but only one quilt can be entered per category.
6. The quilt may be pieced by someone other than the entrant/quilter. You must identify the piecer.
7. In the Junior category, a mentor may sponsor up to 5 juniors.
8. You must enter each quilt individually. The online entry system will prompt you to enter additional quilts before completing your registration so you can enter in the specific information for each quilt separately. All of your quilts will show up on your registration summary. You may also enter additional quilts online any time before the May 1, 2017 deadline.
9. Print a copy of each of your quilt registration summary for your records.
10. Quilt entry fees of \$20.00 per quilt are non-refundable (this includes the \$5/quilt mandatory insurance).
11. Quilts may include up to 20% hand-guided quilting in any category, with the exception of the Challenge quilts.
12. Due to hanging restraints, quilt measurements must not exceed 96 inches in length, or 96 inches in width.
13. All entries must consist of a top, batting, backing, and binding. No false backs allowed.
14. Each quilt must have a label. The label must contain the following information. This information must match the entry form:
  - a. Quilt name
  - b. Entrant's name
  - c. ONE LABEL PER QUILT on a lower corner.
  - d. Please remove other labels.

15. No personal name or business name may be quilted into the quilt. Excluding memory quilts.
16. Each quilt must have a 4 inch hanging sleeve across the top back of quilt. It must be secured at the top and the bottom of the sleeve. Miniature quilts may use a 2 inch sleeve. No sewn-in rods, hanging tabs, or corners will be accepted.
17. Quilts delivered without the proper sleeve will not be hung for the show. Any irregular shaped quilt must have a hanging sleeve sewn near the top to the quilt to permit hanging in the proper orientation.
18. Quilts with multiple panels must not exceed the maximum perimeter given for the category.
19. In the Junior category, **the quilt is entered under the mentor's name**, not the Junior.
20. The decision of the Judge, the quilt show coordinator, and the judging team is FINAL.
21. Shipping companies do not pay claims for damaged or lost quilts without certified appraisals. Consider having your quilt appraised before shipping or carry insurance of your own.
22. To keep the competition fair, we reserve the right to reduce the number of awarded ribbons.
23. All quilts must be free of smells (including smoke), pet hair, sharp objects or items that might transfer or contaminate other quilts. All quilts must be able to be stacked or rolled with other quilts, (excluding art quilts). Objects that may harm other quilts may lead to disqualification and your quilt will be sent home without hanging.
24. Ship or drop off your quilt in a clear or transparent sealed bag.
  - a. Identify your shipping bag clearly with your name, address and phone number.
  - b. The quilt label must be visible thru the bag. No black bags, pillowcases or fabric bags please.
  - c. Bags may not be returned.
  - d. All costs of return shipping and insurance are the responsibility of the entrant. Please include a prepaid shipping label.
  - e. Use sturdy boxes for shipping as your quilt will be returned in the same box.
  - f. Do not use Styrofoam pellets or cellulose packing products.
25. The categories of "Junior Quilter," "Group Quilt," and "I Did It My Way Block Challenge" **require** a written story of 250 words or less.
26. The SUGAR quilt show committee reserves the right to correct misspelled words made on the entry form by the Entrant.