



SUGAR CONFERENCE 2017 QUILT SHOW FAQs

Mark Your Calendars Now With These Important Dates:

- Online quilt entry is open Aug. 1st, 2016 - May 1st, 2017.
- Quilts will be received May 13th - June 3rd.
- Kansas City Area Quilt Drop-Off will be from 2-7 p.m. Sat., June 3rd.
- Quilt Pick-Up will be from 5-6 p.m. Sat., June 24th at the KCI-Expo Center.
- No early pick-ups! Please make arrangements and plan accordingly.

What is the deadline for quilts to be received? SUGAR will accept quilts between **May 13th and June 3rd**. Shipped quilts can be received at the following address: Debbie Breer, 5408 S. Holmes Rd., Assaria, Kansas 67416, (785) 819-2642. Any box received after June 3, 2017 will not be accepted and will be held for pick-up at the conference or mailed back to you at your expense.

Is there a drop-off location if I don't want to ship my quilt? Yes, there will be quilt drop-off location in the Kansas City area on Saturday, June 3rd between the hours of 2 pm and 7 pm. Quilts may be dropped off at the following location: To be announced later.

When will I receive notification that my quilt has arrived at SUGAR? You will receive a confirmation via email when your quilt(s) arrives. The name and address for sending quilts is: Debbie Breer, 5408 S. Holmes Rd., Assaria, Kansas 67416, (785) 819-2642.

What is the \$5 insurance fee for? SUGAR will insure quilts up to \$500 for the mandatory fee of \$5. It is highly recommended that quilts over \$500 in value be appraised and the owner obtain appropriate insurance to insure the quilt while in transit and at the SUGAR Conference. Quilts appraised value over \$500 are the owner's responsibility to insure.

How do I insure my quilts during shipping? Most shipping companies offer insurance options such as \$1 for every \$100 of the quilt value. It is highly recommended that the owner pay for shipping insurance through the chosen carrier to ensure that the quilts are covered while in transit both directions.

How do I make a 4" hanging sleeve? There are excellent sites on the Internet that have pictures and step-by-step instructions. There are even some great tutorials on YouTube.

What information do I need to include on my quilt label? Each quilt must have a label (sewn on by hand or machine) on the bottom of the backing. Your label should include the title of the quilt, as well as the piecer and quilter names, and the date of completion. If you have a dedication or other personal information you want on the quilt, feel free to put it on your label. The name of the quilt and the name of the entrant must match your registration.

If I have already registered a quilt for the show and then can't attend, can I get a refund? No, there will be no refunds.

Does all stitching have to be done with a Statler® and use digital designs? No. We will accept quilts in all the categories that have up to 20% non-computerized quilting. Additionally, the piecing and binding can be done on a smaller home machine.

Are there prizes or awards given in the SUGAR Conference Quilt Competition? There are no cash prizes given for awards except the Best of Show award, which is a \$500 check, but there will be ribbons given for 1st, 2nd, and/or 3rd

places in all categories. There will be the following individual ribbons awarded: Viewers' Choice, Judge's Choice, and Best of Show. The ribbons will be placed by the SUGAR Quilt Committee when judging is completed.

Can I sell my quilt(s) at the SUGAR Conference? At this time, there is no option to offer your quilt(s) for sale. If the opportunity becomes available, the entrants will be notified by e-mail.

Do I need any design permission? If your quilt is a completely original design, not based on anyone else's pattern, photograph, or artwork, you do not need any permission before displaying your quilt at SUGAR. However, if your quilt is based on any of the above and this is visible and identifiable in your work, even if it is not identical, you DO need to seek permission before publicly displaying your quilt at SUGAR.

How do I seek such permission? It is relatively easy to inquire about using someone else's work. A simple e-mail or short letter is all that is needed. Contact information is usually available through the book, magazine, or pattern company and may even be printed in the source itself. Often designers, photographers, and artists have their own website with contact information posted. Tell the artist / designer that you would like to (or have already made a quilt) from their pattern / artwork and ask their permission to enter and display it in the show, and to publish photographs with proper credit. Retain the permission for your own file. This does not need to be turned into SUGAR committee.

Do I need to list the digital pattern names and designers when my quilting uses the majority of their work? Yes, you must give credit to the pattern designers, but you do not have to put the name(s) of their patterns. Please include this credit in your 250-word "story of your quilt" when you enter your quilt online. The registration system will remind you to include this information.

This is my first entry in a quilt show. Will I be judged against the professionals? No, not if you enter your quilt in the "New Kid on the Block" category. If you choose to enter additional quilts into different categories you will be judged against the professionals in those categories.

What about the Juniors – will they be judged against the professionals? No, they will be judged against the other juniors in the Juniors category. If they choose to enter additional quilts into different categories they will be judged against the professionals in those categories. Juniors must be 17 or under as of June 1, 2017 to qualify for the Juniors category.

Why do I have to write something about my quilt and who will see it? Viewers are always interested in knowing something about the quilt and/or quilter. It gives a little peek into the "heart" of the quilt and adds validity to work. The information you provide will hang on or near your quilt during the show.

For further clarification please contact Debbie Breer, Quilt Show Coordinator, at (785) 819-2642 or debbie@sugarconference.com.