

PIECEMAKER'S QUILT GUILD TO HOST
2014
WATERMELON FESTIVAL QUILT SHOW

The Peacemaker's Quilt Guild of Hempstead was organized in 2004 after a group of beginners began meeting at Wal-Mart for Mrs. Ruth Beach to teach us how to quilt. It was supposed to be a 6 week class and we met every Tuesday at 11:00 AM. We did not want to quit when the class was over and some of the ladies still meet on Tuesdays at the Hempstead Recreation Center. We will be hosting the Quilt show at the Watermelon Festival this year as we have done for the past several years. You are invited to enter a quilt if you like. Entry paperwork deadline will be **July 3, 2014**. Fill out two forms. We must have this information by this date in order to prepare a viewer's guide with information about each quilt. This was asked for by the viewers in previous shows. We will also need to group the paper work by categories and size so when they are checked in, things will flow smoothly as we hang the quilts. Mail or hand to Pat Williams by the deadline date. Mail to: **Pat Williams, 1805 16th Street, Hempstead, TX 77445**. The second form should be placed in a plastic sheet protector and pinned to the bag or pillowcase you put your quilt in to be turned in with your quilt. Rules follow below.

Quilting was becoming a lost art but has rejuvenated itself in the past few years. In the beginning, quilts were made for warmth and to be used. Many today are used for that purpose as well but nowadays they are made in more modern manners, including multi medias such as applique, embroidery (both hand and machine), photos, crystals, embellishments of all kinds and of course the traditional quilts. Most quilts in today's market are machine quilted however there are still a few who hand quilt. Come visit us to see the work of some of our very talented local Hempstead, Prairie View and Waller, Texas, ladies as well as some from Hockley and Navasota who are members of our Hempstead Guilds. We are always looking for a good design for a quilt. The show will open at 9:00 AM or immediately following the parade and will remain open until 4:00 PM.

The show will be inside the City Hall of Hempstead in the air conditioning. There will be no food or drinks allowed where the quilts are hung. We ask that you do not touch the quilts. A viewer's guide will be provided for you to refer to as you visit the quilt show. You can re-cycle the booklets as you leave so that other viewers may have them to refer to. If you have any questions during the show, check with one of the guild members and they will try to help you. There will be no quilts for sale at the quilt show but we do plan to have a boutique table that you may purchase small items to help the guild cover their expenses for the show. Come see us and cool off in the air-conditioning.

We will also be displaying the 25th Jubilee Auction quilt that will be auctioned off during the Watermelon auction after lunch. Come view it up close and then you can bid on it at the auction. This quilt will have the names of every queen that has reigned over the Watermelon Festival from the very beginning in 1941. As you know, WWII broke out and the Festival was not revived until 1990. Fortunately for us, Evelyn Cook, who was crowned queen in 1941, came to pass her crown on to the next queen in 1990 after she had reigned for 50 years. What an honor that she was able to be with us.

2014 WATERMELON FESTIVAL QUILT SHOW RULES

1. All entries must be clean, completed and undamaged. All quilts must consist of three Layers: quilt top, batting and backing. All quilts should have a display sleeve either sewn or pinned on the top of the quilt or where the quilt will hang 80" or less to the floor. If your quilt is longer than 80 inches, you must place your hanging sleeve where it will be 80" from the floor or if you put it to the top, please pin the bottom of your quilt up to be no longer than 80" so that the quilts will not touch the floor. **Please be sure your quilt complies before bringing or it will not be displayed.** You will be responsible if your quilt should drag the floor and get dirty. If you have a question regarding the hanging sleeve, contact Pat Williams at 979 826-3025 for assistance. We are asking that only quilts or wall hangings be entered this year. It is the Silver Jubilee Show and we are stressing mainly the Watermelon quilts but you can bring any quilt with the smallest being a wall hanging no smaller than a 48" x 48"

CATEGORIES:

Class 1 - Watermelon Quilts – Any quilt related to watermelons regardless of number of years of quilting experience.

Class 2: -1-3 Years Learning experience

Class 3 - 4-10 years learning experience

Class 4 - 11 plus years learning experience),

Class 5 - Professional - Designs Patterns for sale, Teaches Quilting Classes, Sells patterns for profit, etc.

2. Each quilt must be quilted either by hand or machine. Tied quilts will not be accepted.
3. No pre-quilted fabric may be used.
4. Labels: Quilts must have a fabric label in the bottom right hand corner of the quilt back (when looking from the back of the quilt.) The label must include the name of the quilt; the name of the quiltmaker; the name of the quilter, and the quilt dimensions. (Example: Quilt Name: School Days
Maker: Jane Doe
Quilted by: Sue Doe
Dimensions: 88 x 90 (W x L)
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SUGGESTION: For protection of your quilt, please transport in a separate cloth bag with the name of the quilt and the name of the quilt maker printed on the outside of it or placed in a clear plastic pocket attached to the outside of the bag. Please place only one quilt per bag, as we will lay the bag in order under the frames for hanging and for taking down of the quilts.

6. Fees: There are no fees to enter your quilts.

7. **Entry Delivery Information:**

Date: Friday, JULY 11, 2014 **Time:** 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM (No late entries accepted). If for some reason you cannot get the quilt turned in that day, you can contact Pat at 979 826-3025 or text me at 979 324-5227 for a convenient time to turn it in before the 11th. No quilts will be accepted after July 11, 2014.

Location: 1805 16TH STREET, HEMPSTEAD,
Hempstead, Texas 77445

Contact: Pat Williams
979 826-3025 Home
979 324-5227 Cell
patwillm@sbcglobal.net

8. All entries must remain on display for the duration of the quilt show. Entries will be released at 4:00 PM. If you cannot pick up your entry, please make previous arrangements in writing with the contact person for the quilt show in order for us to release your quilt to the proper person.

9. Although every precaution will be taken to protect your entry, neither the Hempstead Chamber of Commerce nor the Hempstead Peacemaker's Quilt Guild will be responsible for any damage or loss. Each entrant is responsible for his or her own insurance if desired.

10. Visitors will vote on their favorite quilts – **Viewer's Choice**. No judges.

11. **AWARDS:**

Quilts will be voted on by the viewers and ribbons awarded. Quilts will be hung in divisions.

Class 1: Watermelon

Class 2 1--3 Years, Learning Experience

Class 3: 4 – 10 Years Learning Experience

Class 4: 11+ years of Learning Experience

Class 5 Professional

Class 6: Best Of Show:

Best of Class

Best of Class

Best of Class

Best of Class

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The one quilt that receives the most Viewer's votes.

2014 Watermelon Festival Quilt Show ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE _____

Name of Quilt _____

Made by _____

Quilted by _____

Dimensions _____

Width X Length

Class: _____

CLASS 1: WATERMELON; CLASS 2: 1-3 YEARS OF LEARNING EXPERIENCE; CLASS 3: 4-10 YEARS OF LEARNING EXPERIENCE; CLASS 4: 11+ YEARS OF LEARNING EXPERIENCE; CLASS 5: PROFESSIONAL

Tell us about your quilt. Example: The name of the quilt, why you chose the name, was quilt made as a gift or personal, Name of the pattern or designer you used, who quilted the quilt. We will put a card on the quilt with the quilt # and only this information and not the name of the exhibitor. In our exhibitor guide we will do the same. A list of all participants will be at the back of the viewer's guide not with the quilt and its description. This will give the viewers a chance to vote strictly by what catches their eye instead of voting for someone they know.
