Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge
&
Puns of Stems & Steel
Theme Quilt Contest
Judging Thursday, March 24, 2022
Exhibitor Guide and Prize Listing

Entry Phone: 414/313-2767
Entry Deadline: March 1, 2022
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Drop-off and Entry Deadline March 1, 2022
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Sew gather your fabric, needle and thread; measure twice, cut once and bind your Puns of Stems & Steel creativity for these two special quilt competitions! Because…every quilter has a masterpiece within.

No entry fee required to enter the two contests – just fill out the entry form, W-9 and submit your quilt squares by the March 1, 2022 deadline.

Good Luck and Hoppy Tails to you!
Quilt-Topia Barn Quilt Challenge
Division 104  Class # 001
2022 Theme: Puns of Stems & Steel

What do you call a gathering of quilters? A block party! Sew join this party and
bring your stunning quilt square entry that will stop Fair guests in their tracks.
Seam interested? The winning quilt will be reproduced as digital art by our
Graphic Arts Department and proudly displayed on the south side of the Swine
Barn at Wisconsin State Fair.

Prizes:

1st Place - $50.00
2nd Place - $35.00
3rd Place - $25.00
4th Place - $15.00

Contest Details:

• This is a competition for amateurs (one who quilts for personal reasons, with no monetary
  compensation from any related source). Commercial enterprises, businesses or quilting
  professionals are not eligible to enter.
• Only one square block with backing, batting and binding should be submitted.
• The finished square should be no smaller than 12" x 12" and no larger than 18" x 18".
• The finished square can be quilted or tied.
• The finished square should be pieced, not appliqued.
• The finished square should be made with solid fabrics.
• The finished square can be hand-sewn or machine-sewn.
• Entry must be completed by the exhibitor.
• Entry must be family-friendly.
• The finished square must be a square (not a diamond).
• The finished square must be made after January 1, 2022.
• Judging will take place on March 24, 2022 at 10:00 am in the Tommy G. Thompson
  Youth Center at Wisconsin State Fair Park.
• Judging is not open to the public. Check website for any updates.

Entry Deadline (must be postmarked by this date): March 1, 2022

All quilt squares must be mailed along with quilt entry form and W-9 to:

Wisconsin State Fair
c/o Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge
640 S 84 St
West Allis WI 53214

Score Card for Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge

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Class #
001. Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge
NEW for 2022!

Puns of Stems & Steel Theme Quilt Contest
Division 104  Class # 002

Quilts in this special competition will be evaluated on their ability to convey the theme, *Puns of Stems & Steel*, rather than excellence in performing a technique.

1. Start with a traditional tulip-inspired block. Any fabric, color or size. It can be part of the background, a focal point, or a design element creating a focal point.
2. Because you’re sew fun, change it up and have pun with it! A traditional tulip block must be identifiable, (this includes variations of the traditional tulip block). Feel free to add more fabric but stay within the size limits (below).
3. Time to quilt (any method will do, as long as you do it yourself).
4. Next, add some surface design (paints, dyes, markers, crayons, etc.). Use any method or product, as long as it doesn’t smear after it is dry.
5. Embellishments (buttons, bows, beads, yarns & other fluffy stuff) are encouraged.
6. **Write a brief paragraph** (called an artist’s statement) on a 3” x 5” notecard explaining your quilt block inspiration. This is required for the judges, so tell them how creative you are! Do not put your name on the card. Attach the notecard to the quilt with a safety pin.

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Winning quilt blocks are awarded ribbons plus cash prizes, and will be displayed prominently during the 2022 Fair in Grand Champion Hall.

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- Only one block per person should be submitted.
- The finished block must be no smaller than 12” x 12” and no larger than 18” x 18”.
- The finished block must have 3 layers (top, batting, and backing).
- The finished block must be tied or quilted by exhibitor, using any method.
- The Tulip block should be pieced (not appliqued) using any fabrics.
- Additional fabrics are allowed.
- Additional embellishments are allowed.
- Surface design products include paint, dye, marker, pencil, crayon, pen, etc.
- Surface design can be appliqued, as long as the tulip is recognizable.
- There must be at least some embellishments attached to the front of the quilt.
- The block must be finished (binding or facing) using any method.
- Entry must be completed exclusively by the exhibitor.
- Entry must be family-friendly.
- The finished block must be made after January 1, 2022.
The quilt must have a name, label and a rod pocket. The absence of a rod pocket will disqualify an entry.

- The **Artist’s Statement** should be attached to the quilt with a safety pin.
- Judging will take place on March 24, 2022 in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center.
- Judging is not open to the public. Check website for any updates.

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002. Puns of Stems & Steel