



Quilt-topia
Barn Quilt Square Challenge
&
Cream of the Crop
Theme Quilt Square Contest

Judging Thursday, March 21, 2024

Exhibitor Guide & Prize Listing

Entry Deadline: February 28, 2024

At 4:30 pm (central time)

Entry Phone: 414/777-0580

Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Square Challenge

Division 104 Class # 001
2024 Theme: Cream of the Crop



Will your quilt rise to the top in this year's Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Square Challenge? The winning quilt square will be reproduced as digital art by our Graphic Arts Department and proudly displayed on the Upper Livestock barn at the Wisconsin State Fair.

Prizes:

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

Winning quilt squares are awarded ribbons plus cash prizes and will be displayed prominently during the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair in Grand Champion Hall.

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 with backing, batting, and binding can be submitted.
- The finished square must be no smaller than 12" x 12" and no larger than 18" x 18".
- The finished square must be quilted or tied.
- The finished square must be pieced, not appliqued.
- The finished square must be made with solid fabrics.
- Square must be made using five colors or less including the border.
- The finished square can be hand-sewn or machine-sewn.
- Do not attach a rod pocket to the finished square.
- Entry must be completed by the exhibitor.
- Entry must be family friendly.
- The finished design must be a square (not a diamond).
- The finished square must be made after January 1, 2024.
- Judging will take place on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 10:00 am in the Tommy G Thompson Youth Center at Wisconsin State Fair Park.
- Judging is not open to the public.

Entry Deadline (must be postmarked by this date): February 28, 2024.

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

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

Score Card for Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Square Challenge

Overall Design	40
Creativity	35
Craftsmanship	25
TOTAL	100

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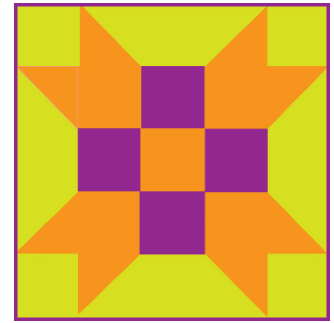
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NEW for 2024!

Cream of the Crop Theme Quilt Square Contest

Division 104 Class # 002

2024 Theme: Cream of the Crop



Quilts in this fun competition will be evaluated on their ability to convey the theme, *Cream of the Crop*, rather than excellence in performing a technique.

1. Start with a traditional Farmer's Daughter quilt pattern inspired square. Any fabric, color, or size. It can be part of the background, a focal point, or a design element creating a focal point.
2. Change it up and have fun with it! A traditional Farmer's Daughter Quilt pattern must be identifiable, (this includes variations of the traditional Farmer's Daughter Quilt pattern). 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 that won't smear after it is dry.
5. Embellishments (buttons, bows, beads, yarns & other fluffy stuff) are encouraged.
6. Write a brief paragraph on a 3" x 5" notecard explaining your quilt square inspiration. **This artist's statement is required for judging**, so tell them how creative you are! Do not put your name on the card. Attach the notecard to the lower right-hand corner on the back of the quilt square with a safety pin.

Prizes:

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

Winning quilt squares are awarded ribbons plus cash prizes and will be displayed prominently during the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair in Grand Champion Hall.

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 per person can be submitted.
- The finished square must be no smaller than 12" x 12" and no larger than 18" x 18".
- The finished square must have 3 layers (top, batting, and backing).
- The finished square must be tied or quilted, using any method.
- The Farmer's Daughter Quilt square must 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 applied, as long as the Farmer's Daughter Quilt pattern is recognizable.
- There must be at least some embellishments attached to the front of the quilt square.
- The square must be finished (with binding or facing) using any method.
- Entry must be completed exclusively by the exhibitor.
- Entry must be family-friendly.

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- The finished square must be made after January 1, 2024.
- The **Artist's Statement** must be attached to the back of the quilt square with a safety pin.
- Judging will take place on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 10:00 am in the Tommy G Thompson Youth Center.
- Judging is not open to the public.

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Score Card for Quilt-topia Theme Quilt Square Challenge

Creativity	40
Overall design	30
Use of Color	20
Craftsmanship	10
TOTAL	100

Class # 002. Cream of the Crop Theme Quilt Square Contest