

MARYLAND QUILTERS CHALLENGE

2019

"UNCONVENTIONAL MATERIALS"

RULES

Unconventional Material! Challenge for 2019

Make a 20" x 16" or 16" X 20" (landscape or portrait) quilt using at least 75% of an unconventional material for your quilt top. Think outside the "fabric store box" as you create a pieced, applique, art or mixed technique quilt. Think of anything you can get your needle through. Altering material by painting, dying, gluing, drilling, or any method you like to make it work is acceptable. Any other fabric including cotton can also be included up to 25% for your quilt top.

To define unconventional material, it's easier to define "conventional" material which would include cotton, poly, silk, wool, canvas, etc. any fabric you could use for quilting, garment or home décor construction. If you find it in a fabric store it's most likely a conventional material and not what we want you to use as your unconventional material. **Examples of unconventional material are:** Coffee filters, tea bags, dryer sheets, color catchers, vinyl from beach balls, landscape fabric, seatbelt webbing. You get the picture ☺

*Must be 20 x 16 or (16 x 20)

*Can be traditional pieced, appliqued, as well as an art quilt.

*Batting, backing and binding can be traditional fabric or unconventional.

*Quilt must be quilted through all 3 layers with thread or unconventional fiber here too.

*Binding: quilt edges must be finished but any method you like may be used. Traditional binding is not necessary. Be creative here too.

*The entire quilt must be done by one person.

*A maximum of 2 entries per person.

*Please add a 4"-6" sleeve and label your quilt back. Label must include Title of quilt, and same name and address as on registration form.

*Keep a list of the unconventional materials you used. They will be listed alongside your quilt at exhibit.

*We will do our best to protect your quilt and the school has wonderful security. If you desire insurance, please use your homeowner's policy. Entry implies consent to photograph for publicity purposes.

*Complete registration form below, and email copy of completed form and photo with name, address, phone and Title of Quilt to Wendy Allen marylandquilterschallenge@gmail.com . Registration and photo deadline are Feb 27, 2019.

*Quilts that do not conform to rules may be disqualified from entry.

Quilts can be turned in at the Southern Comforters Quilt Guild meetings on the following Wednesday evenings: Jan 23, Feb 13 or 27 from 7:00 – 8:30 at Christian Community Presbyterian Church 3120 Belair Dr. Bowie, MD 20715.

Exhibit will be displayed, judged, and voted on by viewers at the 2019 Southern Comforter's Quilt Show – "The Best Little Quilt Show in Maryland". March 23 and 24 at Samuel Ogle Middle School, 4111 Chelmont Lane, Bowie, MD 20715

**Please note this exhibit may travel throughout the year to other state events and quilt shows. Your quilt may be selected to travel throughout the year. If your quilt will not be staying with the exhibit for the year, you may pick up your quilt at our guild meeting on March 27 or April 10. If you have an event or Quilt Show where you would like to have the exhibit displayed, please contact Wendy Allen for availability.

Awards

Quilts will be judged by guest judge as well as viewers at the Southern Comforters Quilt Show. Judging based on: meeting the challenge, creativity visual impact and workmanship. First prize \$20, Second prize, \$10, Third prize, \$5. Viewer's Choice \$10. Other prizes from sponsors may be awarded.

Important Contacts

Website : www.southerncomforters.org

Curator: Wendy Allen marylandquilterschallenge@gmail.com 301-758-8570

Alternate Fax for entry form 301-805-2231

Important Dates

February 27, 2019 – **deadline for entry registration**

Jan 23, Feb 13, or 27 Wednesday evening **quilt entry drop off** from 7:00-8:30pm at Southern Comforters guild meetings held at Christian Community Presbyterian Church 3120 Belair Drive, Bowie, MD

March 23, 24 –**Exhibit and Voting for Maryland Quilters Challenge 2019** Unconventional Materials at Southern Comforters Quilt Show- The Best Little Quilt Show in Maryland. Samuel Ogle Middle School 4111 Chelmont Lane, Bowie, MD 20715

March 27, April 10 Wednesday evening **Quilt entry pick up for Non-traveling quilts** (those who do not wish their quilt to remain with the exhibit til Fall 2019 or those quilts not selected) from 7:00-8:30 at Christian Community Presbyterian Church 3120 Belair Dr., Bowie, MD

Did You Remember?

1. Attach a label w Title, Name, address and attach a 4" to 6" sleeve to back of quilt
2. SIGNED YOUR ENTRY FORM?
3. Attach photo of quilt, or email photo with name and address to Wendy Allen at marylandquilterschallenge@gmail.com
4. You will receive an acknowledgement of entry registration.

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ENTRY FORM- Print this page, complete the form, email a copy and quilt photo to marylandquilterschallenge@gmail.com

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TITLE OF ENTRY _____

Size : () Portrait 20H x 16W () Landscape 16H x 20 W

Brief description for identification purposes only-not published

UNCONVENTIONAL MATERIALS USED (these will be listed and displayed with your quilt)

DESCRIPTION- Tell us what inspired your piece, challenges you incurred, any funny stories of creating your quilt. (include pattern used or adapted, if inspired by book, artist or other source please give credit.) This info will be used to create display text.

I hereby grant permission for the above described entry to be included in the Maryland Quilters Challenge 2019 exhibit at the Southern Comforters of Bowie, MD Quilt Show and to travel to other Maryland exhibits should it be selected. There is no restriction on photography of this quilt by individuals and/or promotional photography by Southern Comforters.

I, _____, hereby release Southern Comforters of Bowie, MD from any and all liability of any nature in connection with the use of this entry. If the entry is selected to the traveling exhibit it will be returned at my expense of shipping cost or arrangements can be made to pick up entry in late fall 2019. If it is not chosen to be included in the traveling exhibit it can be picked up Sunday March 24th at the close of the quilt show. Winners will be notified Sunday, March 24, 2019.

If selected, I give my permission for my quilt entry to stay with the exhibit and travel until late fall 2019. Yes _____ NO _____

Date: _____ Signature _____