

# FAQs – Frequently Asked Questions

## 1. How do I know if my quilt is traditional or contemporary?

There is a continuum from traditional to contemporary in quilting with a huge gray area in the middle. Look at your quilt to see which theme is dominant. You as the quilter choose the category. In both cases the quilt is made from a pattern or, more commonly, your adaptation of a pattern. The contemporary quilt will use more modern designs, fabrics (like batiks or hand dyes) and techniques (think thread painting, beading, etc.). Sounds like an art quilt? The art quilt must be a completely original design.

## 2. What makes an art quilt?

First and foremost, it must be an original design and made with artistic intent. It is a personal expression utilizing color, materials and innovative techniques in conjunction with quilt making techniques.

## 3. How should I price my quilt for sale?

This is your choice. Remember that WNCQG deducts a 20% commission from the sale price.

## 4. A rigid hanger is an integral part of my art quilt and I want to have it displayed with the quilt. Is this allowed?

We are concerned about potential damage to other quilts. Also, a stick or rod can't be pinned to muslin. Sally Fargo gave us an idea to solve these problems. The rigid hanger must be less than 18 inches long. Attach the quilt to the hanger any way you want but fasten a cord to the hanger that can be pinned to the muslin drape. Place your quilt and its hanger in an old pillow case that is clearly labeled with your name and the name of your quilt. We will store and transport your quilt in the pillow case to avoid damage to other quilts.

## 5. Why do you want a picture?

This will help us insure that quilts are placed in the correct category and displayed in a pleasing manner. Have a friend with a digital camera take the picture and print it on plain paper.

## 6. Why aren't there sizes given for the categories? I have a large and a small quilt in the same category.

We plan to further divide categories by quilt size depending on the number of quilts entered. Since we don't know now how things will divide we can't give specific size ranges. You are limited to entering five quilts for judging but may enter as many more as you wish for exhibit. All five can be in the same category. However, you can't win two ribbons in the same category. You will be awarded the higher ranking one.

## 7. What is the hospice quilt display?

This replaces the Quilts in the Community display that we have done in past years. These quilts are made to meet hospice needs – twin bed size, machine quilted, and made with material that will withstand repeated machine washings. At the conclusion of the show these quilts will be given by the maker to either Four Seasons Palliative Care or Transylvania's Hospice.