

THE WEST VIRGINIA QUILT FESTIVAL

September 17-19, 2026

Cedar Lakes Conference Center

Ripley, WV



Quilt Entry Form

Please submit a separate entry form for each project entered.

Limit of 1 entry per category. All entry forms must be postmarked by **June 30, 2026**. Entry forms should be photocopied for your records and will be needed to pick up the quilt after the Festival concludes.

Only the first 200 quilts will be accepted.

Entrant's Name _____

(Sponsor's Name if a Youth entry) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone(s) _____ E-mail _____

Project Name _____ **Category #** _____

>> Please provide accurate measurements. <<

>Owner's name & project name label must be attached to the quilt.<

Size in Inches: Width _____ Length _____ Perimeter _____

Entry made by _____

City _____ State _____

hand quilted machine quilted >>Year Completed _____

Entry quilted by _____

City _____ State _____

About Your Quilt - Share special details or stories of why or how it was made. Please give credit if it was inspired by a class, pattern, book, or magazine. Write your story here or on a separate page...please, 50 words or less.

I would like my quilt to be considered for the **Happy Birthday, USA! Award**.

Is this quilt for sale? Yes No



WVQI will assist entrants in the sale of their quilts to Festival viewers.

I agree to abide by all the conditions stated on this entry form and on the instruction sheet. I also agree to allow my entry to be photographed by West Virginia Quilters, Inc. for publicity purposes and the public for private use.

Signature _____ Date _____

Membership & Dues Membership is open to all individuals interested in quilting; West Virginia residency is not required. **If you are not currently a member, download a membership form from our website wvquilters.org.** Mail membership form and check for dues **made payable to WVQI** to the Membership Secretary at the address listed on the membership form.

Insurance We encourage each quilt owner to seek insurance coverage through online websites or contact your individual home owners insurance company.

Delivery & Return

Required information for the security of your quilt:

Check appropriate responses:

Delivery: UPS FedEx US Mail
 Hand, by whom _____

Return: UPS FedEx US Mail
 Hand, by whom _____

If return is other than by hand, include a check or money order, made payable to the shipping company or Post Office, to cover costs of return shipping, including insurance.

Quilt Entry Form & Fees: You must be a member of West Virginia Quilters, Inc. to enter. Please see above for membership info if you are not a member, or if your membership has lapsed. Mail completed quilt entry form(s) and entry fees with check payable to WVQI and mail it with your Entry Form to Linda Vaughan at the address below.

****MEMBERSHIP DUES & QUILT ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID SEPARATELY****

First quilt: \$10

Additional quilts: \$7 each

TOTAL ENTRY FEES: \$ _____



Recommended: To help ensure your quilt is in the correct category, please enclose a **picture** of each entry with your form...or email cforth9339@aol.com or text a picture to 304-633-2290.

Make check or money order payable to WV Quilters, Inc.

Mail Quilt Entry Form & appropriate fees to:

Linda Vaughan
1305 Stonehouse Road
Caldwell, WV 24925

MUST be postmarked by **June 30, 2026**

You will need a **COPY** of this form to pick up your quilt.

FORMS RECEIVED

____/____/2026

JUDGING ROOM ONLY Assigned Quilt #

>>Please Read All Descriptions Carefully<<

Placing your quilt in the wrong category could disqualify it from awards in that category.

Check the one appropriate category for your entry.

Category descriptions are in the right column.

Quilting stitches should be present, front and back, and penetrate all layers.

Perimeter is the total of ALL sides.

INDIVIDUAL - *Made ENTIRELY by ONE person*

- 1. Pieced **Grand** - Perimeter **350"** and larger
- 2. Pieced **Large** - Perimeter **288"-349"**
- 3. Pieced **Medium** - Perimeter **176"-287"**
- 4. Pieced **Small** - Perimeter **175"** or less
- 5. Appliqué - **Any Size**
- 6. Mixed/Other - **Any Size**

DUET - *Made ENTIRELY by TWO people*

- 7. Pieced **Large** - Perimeter **350"** and larger
- 8. Pieced **Medium** - Perimeter **275"-349"**
- 9. Pieced **Small** - Perimeter **274"** or less
- 10. Appliqué - **Any Size**
- 11. Mixed/Other - **Any Size**

GROUP - *Made by THREE or MORE people*

- 12. Any size, any technique.

MODERN

- 13. Any size, any technique.

PICTORIAL

- 14. Any size, any technique.

ART, FIBER & TEXTILE

- 15. Perimeter 200" or less; any technique.

YOUTH - *The maker must be 16 or under*

- 16. Any size, any technique.
(Evaluated, participatory ribbon only)

NON-JUDGED - *For display only*

- 17. Any size or technique, clothing, home decor.
(No evaluation or ribbon given)

Category Descriptions: There is a limit of one entry per person in each category. Categories are determined by the **number of people** involved in making the quilt and its size. For your convenience, size requirements (large, medium and small) are listed in the left column with each specific category. **Perimeter is the total of all sides.** All categories are eligible for Best Of Show unless otherwise noted.

❖ **Individual** (categories 1-6) are bed or wall quilts made and quilted entirely by one person.

❖ **Duet** (categories 7-11) are bed or wall quilts made by 2 people. Examples include: top is pieced by one person and quilted by someone else, or blocks are pieced by one person, then assembled and quilted by another.

❖ **Group** category is for quilts made by 3 people or more. Examples include Guild or Raffle quilts, Round Robins, Block Exchanges, etc. where at least three (3) people contributed to the quilt's construction.

❖ **Modern Quilts** are functional and inspired by simplistic design. They may include, but are not limited to, the following characteristics and techniques: minimalism, asymmetry, expansive negative space, alternate grid work, improvisational piecing and bold, neutral or solid fabrics and colors. They also may be based upon a re-interpretation of traditional blocks or lack visible block structure.

❖ **Pictorial Quilts** are representational, and feature a person, place, or thing, such as a landscape, still life, or portrait of a person or animal. Pictorial quilts can be any subject or style, from photo-realistic to whimsical, to slightly abstract. They are often created more for the sake of design than with an intended function, and are usually displayed on a wall rather than a bed.

❖ **Art, Fiber & Textile Quilts** are a work of original design, although it may be inspired by a class. The quilt should reflect innovative construction and design techniques, themes, subject matter, textiles, and fibers. It must have three basic layers: surface, batting, and backing and be quilted by hand or machine. Perimeter can be free form, but must be equipped to hang, and to hang flat for WVQI purposes. No stretch frames.

❖ **Youth-The maker must be 16 or under.** Maker must be sponsored (entry fee paid) by a member of West Virginia Quilters, Inc. Quilt will be evaluated and a participatory ribbon will be awarded.

❖ **Non-Judged** category is for those who prefer to not have their items evaluated and will be accepted for display in order of registration and as space allows. Clothing / Accessories / Home Décor is a combination of wearable items, (including, but not limited to jackets, vests and full ensembles), personal accessories (such as purses or tote bags) and home decoration pieces (including, but not limited to table runners and pillows). Items entered in this category will not be considered for Best of Show and **cannot be entered in a judged category in future WVQI Festivals.**

❖ **Theme Recognition!** We will be awarding the quilt that best fits the "Happy Birthday, USA!" theme with a special ribbon. The criteria is the show theme and only the show theme...not technique or ability. This Judging Team will be separate from the Judging Room.

If you have any questions about which category your quilt should be in or any questions about entering our Festival, contact Connie Forth, Judging Room Coordinator, at cforth9339@aol.com or 304.633.2290

Quilt Requirements

If you cannot determine your quilt's category, contact **Connie Forth at 304.633.2290** or **cforth9339@aol.com** . Pictures will help!

- ❖ All quilts must have label on the back with maker's name and project name.
- ❖ Quilts must have been completed **after January 1, 2021.**
- ❖ No framed projects. (Too hard to guarantee safe hanging)
- ❖ Entries in judged categories will be evaluated by a judge from the National Association of Certified Quilt Judges and written evaluations will be given to the entrants. Ribbons and awards will be granted at the discretion of the Judge. **The Judge and Festival Committee reserve the right to divide or combine categories or to not award all ribbons.**
- ❖ Quilts should be placed in the category for the dominant technique (**greater than 50% of the quilt design**).
- ❖ **Your project must not have been displayed in previous West Virginia Quilt Festivals.**
- ❖ **All entries must be clean, constructed of fabric and quilted.** Whole cloth, Yo-Yo's, Cathedral Windows, and Crazy quilts will be accepted in the "Mixed/Other" category, along with embroidered, painted or heavily embellished works. Preprinted quilt tops or tied comforters will not be accepted. Framed or stretched projects will not be accepted.
- ❖ West Virginia Quilters, Inc. will not assume responsibility for fragile embellishments or hanging devices.
- ❖ **All quilts must have a 4" hanging sleeve** (sewn or basted securely at top and bottom of sleeve) attached to the back top and must be **no more than 86" from the bottom of the quilt to the top of the sleeve.** Wall quilts must have a sleeve (minimum of 2") or loops appropriate to their size.
- ❖ **Quilts FOR SALE** – West Virginia Quilters, Inc. will assist entrants in the sale of their works to Festival viewers. Special tags pinned to the front of the quilt will designate those pieces that are for sale. Prospective buyers may ask for the quiltmaker's contact information at the front desk; however, WVQI will not be responsible for any monetary compensation. **The transaction will be handled solely between the maker and the buyer, and transfer of the quilt must take place after the conclusion of the Festival.** Please check the appropriate box on page one of the Quilt Entry Form.

Packing/Delivery of the Entries

Shipped Entries:

- ❖ Entries must arrive between Monday, August 31 and Saturday, September 5, 2026 at the "ship to" address listed below.
- ❖ All entries must be shipped in a sturdy box, which will be used for the return shipment, unless you pick up your quilt in person on Saturday upon the closing of the Festival.
- ❖ Place entry in a plastic bag before placing in the box. The extra large Ziploc storage bags are recommended.
- ❖ If you want to be notified of entry's arrival, include your phone number(s) or email address.
- ❖ Return Shipping -Tape an envelope to the plastic bag with the following enclosed:
 - Pre-addressed return label
 - Indication of shipping preference
 - Check or money order for return shipping and insurance **made payable to your chosen shipping company or the Post Office (same as your shipping costs).**
 - Return shipping will be by Friday, September 25.

Ship Entries To: (To arrive between August 31 and September 5)

**Connie Forth
1187 (1009) Big Bend Road
Barboursville, WV 25504-9799**

Hand Delivered Entries:

Entries must arrive on Tuesday, September 15, 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

Cedar Lakes Conference Center (Vocational Building)
82 FFA Drive
Ripley, WV 25271

Personal Pickups:

- ❖ Personal pickup will be Saturday, September 19, 5:00 pm-6:00 pm at the Vocational Building.
- ❖ Quilts will be released using a numbering system. Numbers will be available in Assembly Hall on Saturday, September 19, after 12:00 pm. at the door near Bolts and Quarter Booth
- ❖ Personal ID will be requested at pick-up.

More Pickup or Delivery Questions?

If, after you have sent an entry form, you are not able to send or deliver your quilt, please contact:

**Linda Vaughan
304.994.0146
Ldvaughan13@gmail.com**

A COPY of this Entry Form must be presented to pick up the quilt.
This is to assure all quilts are returned to the correct owner.