

ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS QUILT CONTEST

Sponsored by The Association of Connecticut Fairs, Inc. and the Durham Agricultural Fair Association, Inc., “The Durham Fair”

RULES OF CONTEST

WHO MAY ENTER: The Contest is open to all residents of Connecticut.

HOW TO ENTER: Enter a quilt (or for Next Generation Quilters, a quilted item) at any participating fair that is a member of the Association of Connecticut Fairs in any of the categories mentioned below. The participating fair will award one winner in each category with a rosette from the Association of Connecticut Fairs along with any awards the local fair provides. Each fair will submit that winning entry to the state contest. A quilt can be entered in as many fairs as a contestant wishes until it becomes eligible to go to the state contest. Please note an Exhibitor can only represent 1 Quilt or wall hanging per Category at the State Quilt Contest in November.

JUDGING: The Association of Connecticut Fairs will furnish judges score sheets to each fair. The contestants will receive these sheets at the end of the contest. Go to www.ctagfairs.org for judging criteria. Decisions of the judges are final.

LOCAL CONTEST: The winner of the Quilt Contest will receive a blue ribbon from the Association of Connecticut Fairs and will become eligible to submit their entry to the state contest. In the event a fair only receives one entry in the contest and that entry is worthy of first prize, the Association rosette must be awarded to that entry.

STATE CONTEST: See www.ctagfairs.org for information.

CATEGORIES:

- Hand or machine appliqué and quilted any way by Exhibitor
- Pieced and Machine quilted by Exhibitor
- Pieced and Hand quilted by Exhibitor
- Any method quilted by a Group (two or more)

Ribbons sponsored by the Durham Fair

ADULT QUILT CONTEST RULES:

1. Group quilt can be pieced by one individual and quilted by another.
2. All work must be completed by an individual quilt maker.
3. Work can be pieced or appliqued by hand or by machine.
4. Quilts must be either hand or machine (domestic, hand-guided longer or digital) quilted - no hand tied quilts.
5. Quilts may not be made from pre-cut quilt kits.
6. Applique quilts must consist of at least 50% applique.

7. Quilt perimeter must measure a minimum of 216 inches.
8. A quilt can only complete in the Association of Connecticut Fairs Quilt Contest once at the state contest in the fall. It can be entered in more than one local fair until it is selected to compete at the state level. An exhibitor can only represent 1 quilt per category at the State Quilt Contest.

SEE STATE WEBSITE for more details and judging criteria: www.CTAGFairs.org

Note: The Chester Fair will pay for the winning contestant's dinner at the Fair Association's Spring/Fall Meeting.

The following prizes will be awarded at the State Meeting in each category:

- 1st Prize: \$50.00**
- 2nd Prize: \$35.00**
- 3rd Prize: \$15.00**
- Peoples Choice: \$50.00**

Each attendee of the Banquet will be able to cast one vote for their favorite quilt regardless of category.

NEXT GENERATION QUILTER (formerly Junior) QUILT CONTEST:

Possible entries include but are not limited to: quilts (any size), pillows, wall hangings, Christmas tree skirts, placemats, articles of clothing, bags or table runners

NEXT GENERATION QUILTER CONTEST RULES:

1. All work must be completed by an individual quilt maker.
2. Work can be pieced by hand or by machine.
3. Items must be either hand or machine (domestic, hand-guided longer or digital) quilted - no hand tied quilts.
4. While there is no specific size (dimension) requirement, items will be judged based on appropriate techniques used.
5. Quilts may not be made from pre-cut quilt kits.
6. An item can only compete in the Association of Connecticut Fairs Quilt Contest once at the state level contest in the fall. It can be entered in more than one local fair until it is selected to compete at the state level. An exhibitor can only represent 1 item at the State Quilt Contest.
7. Participant must be between 7 and 18 years of age at the time of judging.

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The following prizes will be awarded at the Spring Meeting in each category:

- 1st Prize: \$25.00**
- 2nd Prize: \$15.00**