



# Mineola League of the Arts

## “Along the Garden Path”

### 2017 Quilt Show Rules and Entry Instructions

**All entry forms, photos, and Entry Fees must be received by Friday, September 22, 2017**

#### ENTRY FEE:

- \* \$5.00 per quilt (**non-refundable**). There is no charge for quilts entered for display only.
- \* Entry forms may be delivered in person or mailed to:  
Mineola League of the Arts  
200 West Blair  
Mineola, TX 75773.
- \* Payment must accompany the entry form.
- \* Make checks payable to Mineola League of the Arts Quilt Guild.
- \* MLOTA can not be held responsible for delays in delivery.

#### ENTRY FORM

- \* Entry forms are available on the MLOTA website: <http://www.mlota>
- \* A separate form must be used for each quilt entered.
- \* Due to space limitations, only 100 quilts will be accepted.  
If entries exceed this number, participants who enter numerous quilts may be asked to limit their entries.
- \* Make three copies of each entry form. Send one copy with payment for each entry.  
One copy should accompany the quilt at intake. The third copy will serve as a claims receipt at pickup.
- \* A 3" X 5" color photo must be attached to all three copies of each entry.  
Print your name and the name of the quilt on the back of each photo.  
A picture of the work in progress is OK as long as the color scheme and overall design are recognizable.

#### QUILT DELIVERY

- \* Each entry must be submitted in its own plastic trash bag. The guild will not be responsible for any fabric bags or pillowcases.
- \* Quilts are to be folded RIGHT-SIDE-OUT.
- \* Attach copy of entry form to each entry.
- \* Deliver entries to Mineola League of the Arts, 200 West Blair, Mineola, Texas 75773 between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM on Saturday, October 7, 2017, unless prior arrangements have been made for early delivery.
- \* Shipped entries (not your entry form) are to be shipped to arrive between Tuesday, October 3, 2017 and Friday, October 6, 2017.  
Entries should be shipped in a sturdy box, which will be used to return the quilt. A prepaid mailing label must be included.  
Send entries to Mineola League of the Arts 200 West Blair, Mineola, TX 75773 .  
If you want confirmation your quilt was received, please request a delivery confirmation from shipper.  
Entries being returned will be shipped to the entrant no later than Thursday, October 19, 2017.  
MLOTA is not responsible for lost or misdirected packages
- \* NO LATE DELIVERIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

#### QUILT PICK-UP

- \* The show will end at 4:00 on Saturday, October 14, 2017. Entries may be picked up between 5:00 PM and 6:00 PM.
- \* Please bring the third copy of each entry form as a claims receipt.

**ALL ENTRIES MUST REMAIN ON DISPLAY FOR THE ENTIRE SHOW.**

#### QUILT PREPARATION

- \* All quilts should be “Quilt Show Ready”. The Guild defines this as clean, in good condition, free of animal hair, and free of smoke.
- \* Quilts must have an open-ended 4" hanging sleeve sewn to the back of the quilt. No pinning of sleeve will be allowed.  
Miniatures must have a 2" sleeve. Exceptions include antique quilts, and home décor items, such as table runners, and pillows.
- \* Entries must have a fabric identification label **stitched** on the back of the quilt,  
This should include the entrant's name and title of the entry. No pinning of label will be allowed.  
Please cover this label with a piece of cloth, which is to remain in place during judging. (may be safety pinned or basted in place.)

## **ENTRY GUIDELINES**

- \* All quilts are to be made using standard quilt-making techniques (three layers – top, batting, and backing - joined by quilting)
- \* Quilting is defined as a stitch that passes through the top, batting, and backing.  
Exceptions include Cathedral Window Quilts, Crazy Quilts, Yo-Yo Quilts, Wool Quilts or other methods recognized as historically correct for the time period represented..
- \* Quilts may not have been entered in the MLOTA Quilt Show in the past five years.
- \* Entries in judged categories the **majority** of the actual piecing, applique, and/or quilting must be the work of the entrant.  
Quilts that do not meet this criteria be entered in Category 1000—Display Only.
- \* Panels may be used, provided the majority of the quilt contains pieced blocks/borders, or applique.
- \* Descriptions/Story Behind the Quilt may be edited for clarity or length.
- \* Entries may be offered for sale with the owner setting their price. The League consignment fee is 20% of the sale price.  
Purchased quilts may be paid for and picked up Saturday, October 14 between 5:00 PM and 6:00 PM.  
All payments must be processed through the League. Checks should be written to Mineola League of the Arts.  
Otherwise, the quilt maker will be responsible for delivery of purchased quilts.

## **DIVISIONS**

- Beginner —first three quilts (Category 800)
- Intermediate — first show entered or has never placed at a show
- Advanced — quilters who have won a first place ribbon at any quilt show

## **QUILT CATEGORIES**

Show Theme: "Along the Garden Path"

Quilts based on the theme may be entered in both the Show Theme and a numerical category)

- 100 Handwork: hand pieced and/or quilted
- 200 Small Quilts (up to 75" in length) includes lap quilts, baby quilts
- 300 Medium Bed Quilts (less than 94" in length)
- 400 Large Bed Quilts (Over 94" in length)
- 500 Special Techniques: includes but is not limited to applique, embroidery, trapunto, crazy quilt, yo-yo, rag quilt, wool
- 600 Miniatures: reduced in scale/size is no larger than 24;
- 700 Home Decor/Apparel —wall hangings, table runners, pillows, apparel
- 800 Beginner (first three quilts)
- 900 Youth (18 and under)
- 1000 Display Only (includes antique quilts)

## **AWARDS**

- Best of Show: Stitchin' Heaven \$100 gift card
- People's Choice: Mineola Needleworks \$100 gift card

Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place entries in each division at the discretion of the judge.

Best Adaptation of the Theme – This ribbon will be awarded by the show judge based on the interpretation of the show Theme "Along the Garden Path" Quilts entered in any category are eligible.

Special Awards Include:

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| Meredith Foundation | MLOTA Memorial |
| Mayor's Choice      | Judge's Choice |
| Fine Arts Award     |                |

## **AWARDS RECEPTION:**

- \* Participants, League Members, and their guests are invited to attend the awards reception Thursday, October 5 from 7:00pm until 8:30pm.

## **MLOTA SALE ROOM:**

- \* MLOTA members may sell their handiwork, craft items, or fine art work in the League Sale Room.
- \* 20% of the sale price will be donated to MLOTA.
- \* Items must be tagged & listed on a League Sale sheet.
- \* Instructions and form are available on the MLOTA website. [www.mlota.org](http://www.mlota.org)
- \* Items may be delivered on Saturday, October 7 from 9am-12pm, Monday, September 9, or Tuesday, October 10.
- \* Since rooms must be ready for guild activities on Monday, we ask that you pick up your items on Saturday, October 14 between 5:00 PM and 6 PM .

## **TRASH-TO-TREASURES**

- \* Donated items should be delivered to the Quilt Room between Monday, October 2 and Friday, October 6, 2017.