

# HMQS 2016 Competition Awards & Categories

## *Awards given to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners for each category*

### Special Awards:

**Best of Show Award:** This quilt is deemed by the judges as the best quilt in all categories.

**Best Solitaire Award:** A single person pieced, appliquéd and machine quilted this quilt.

**Best Combination Award:** A group effort. This quilt was made by a combination of piecers, appliquéers and/or machine quilters.

**Best Rookie Award:** This quilt was quilted by someone who began machine quilting after January 1, 2015.

**Viewers' Choice Award:** Ballots cast by attendees will decide this award.

**Youth 14 & Younger Award:** This award is given to an outstanding quilt made by a youth quilter 14 years old or younger. This award is sponsored to recognize youthful quilters and encourage the next generation of quilters.

**Director's Choice Award:** This award is presented by the HMQS Director recognizing one exceptional quilt.

**Judge's Choice Award:** These awards will be given by the quilt judges to two quilts in the competition.

**Claudia Pfeil New to Quilting Award:** This special award recognizes an exceptional beginner who is relatively new to the world of quilt show competitions; and whose artistic flair, unique design, or impressive workmanship really shines.

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### Categories:

**Theme "It's Magic!":** "Memorable Moments – It's Magic!": Must be easily identifiable as representing the theme – Memorable Moments. Must have 3 layers: Quilt Top, batting, and backing. Perimeter 96" to 480"

**Appliqué:** Quilts in this category should be predominantly appliquéd. Appliqué may be applied by hand or machine. Perimeter 96" to 480".

**Art/Innovative:** Quilts in this category will be judged for their artistic merit, design and detailed quilting. Addition of beads, buttons or other objects will be acceptable providing they are securely attached and the quilt can be hung with minimal care. Perimeter 96" to 480".

**Computerized Quilting:** Quilts machine quilted using a computerized quilting system. All types of quilts are permitted in this category. Perimeter 96" to 480".

**Conventional Machine:** This category is for quilts quilted on a machine by the "push-through" method of quilting. All types of quilts are permitted in this category. Perimeter 96" to 480".

**Embroidery:** This is the perfect category to showcase your embroidery quilts! The predominant embroidery on these quilts may be done either by hand or machine. Perimeter 96" to 480".

**Miniature Quilts:** A miniature quilt is a reduced scale version of a larger quilt. All elements of a miniature quilt (blocks, borders, sashing, etc.) should be reduced in size proportionately. If the quilt contains pieced blocks, blocks shall not measure more than 4" on any side. Total perimeter of quilt shall not exceed 96" and no single side shall be more than 24" in length. Quilts may be pieced, appliquéd, embroidered or wholecloth. Miniature wholecloth quilts are to be entered in this category. Must consist of three layers and have visible machine quilting.

**Mixed Technique:** Any two or more techniques in combination which can include piecing, appliquéd, embroidery, photos or painting. Perimeter 160" to 480".

**Modern:** Quilts that are functional, include bold colors, and are inspired by modern design. Minimalism, symmetry, expansive negative space, and alternate gridwork are often a part of modern quilt compositions, as are improvisational piecing and solid fabrics. Perimeter 160"- 480" Must be three layers; backing, batting and quilt top.

**Novelty Custom:** Unusual and creative stitching designs, inventive, nontraditional block motifs and background fillers. Unique and non-matching thread choices are allowed. This category is the opposite of Traditional Custom. Perimeter 220" to 480".

**Off The Bed:** This category is for quilts that are useful, everyday quilts for beds. Must consist of three layers. No embellishments. The minimum quilt dimensions are 70 x 90 (twin bed size). Perimeter 320" to 480"

**Traditional Custom:** Traditional patterns for blocks and construction. Quilting such as stitch-in-the-ditch, feathers, cross-hatching and echo quilting. Threads should match the fabric of the quilt as much as possible. Perimeter 220" to 480".

**Utah's Own:** This category is sponsored to recognize three outstanding quilts by Utah quilt makers. All types of quilts are permitted in this category. Perimeter 96" to 480".

**Wall Hanging:** Not less than 80" or more than 240". May be pieced or appliquéd, traditional or novelty in design.

**Traditional Whole Cloth:** One piece of fabric, quilted to create a design. Quilt may be seamed only to join pieces of the same fabric to acquire the desired size. Perimeter 160" to 480".

**Youth:** Quilts in this area MUST be entirely pieced and machine quilted by a youth 18 & under, either by long/short arm method or conventional push-through method. No computerized quilting. Perimeter 80" to 480".

**Youth-Computerized:** Quilts machine quilted using a computerized quilting system. All types of quilts are permitted in this category. Must be entirely pieced and quilted by a youth 18 & under. Perimeter 96" to 480".

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**Exhibit Only:** A quilter may submit up to three (3) quilts for non-judged Exhibit Only. All Exhibit Only quilts must fit the definition of a category described above. Display is conditional on space availability. All exhibit only quilts must be machine quilted.