

Sewing & Quilting Divisions

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Entry Fees: Adults/Open Division: \$2.00 per entry. Youth Division: \$1.00 per entry.
Check-In: Tues, Aug 30th; 11 a.m.—8 p.m. & Wed, Aug 31st; 9 a.m.—6 p.m.
Release: Mon, Sept 19th; 9 a.m.—7 p.m.
Premium Schedule: 1st- \$8, 2nd- \$6, 3rd- \$4

Sewing & Quilting Designated “Off-Site Drop Off Locations”

Aug 24th up to 4:00 p.m. at
Chattanooga, TN: Pins and Needles Quilt Shop & SPOOL
Clarksville, Absolutely Fun Sewing & Embroidery
Cleveland, TN: Hyderhangout Quilt Fabrics & More
Dickson, TN: Granny B's Quilt Shop
Franklin, TN: The Quilting Squares Quilt Shop
Goodlettsville, TN: Quilter's Attic
Lebanon, TN: Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing Center
McCaysville, GA: Quilt Depot
Murfreesboro, TN: Absolutely Fun Sewing & MidSouth Sewing & Vacuum
Smithville, TN: Sew Clever Fabric 'n More
Smyrna, TN: Stitcher's Playhouse
Springfield, TN: The Fabric Shop
Aug 28th-3:00 p.m. at Robertson County Fairgrounds

Quilt and Sewing After Fair Pick Up Dates at Off-Site*

Quilt Shop Sponsors: During the period of Thursday, September 22nd through Friday, September 30th quilts will be returned back to the quilt shops. The quilt shop will notify you when the quilts have arrived back from the Fair. If someone intends to come and pick up their quilts at the Fairgrounds on September 19th even though they dropped them off at a sponsoring quilt shop to enter them, they **MUST** indicate the intended pickup place **to be written** on the entry paper next to the quilt shops name so that the TN State Fair is prepared to release them to the entrants on that date otherwise they will be held back for delivery the following week. **This is for the security of both the entries, the entrant's piece of mind and the quilt shops security.**

Eligibility and Rules

1. Fair management reserves the right to alter, cancel or refuse to show any item in the best interest of the public.
2. Adult Divisions exhibitors are to be aged 19 and older. Youth Division exhibitors are for students aged 18 or a senior in high school of the current year or younger. Please notice the class groups.
3. All articles for exhibit in this department must be strictly the handiwork of the exhibitor. Those engaged in any line of work as a profession or business or as teachers of same are considered professional and must exhibit

- in Adults/Open Division where specified.
4. Entrants may enter items in as many classes as they choose. Only one item is allowed per class. Any one item entered may qualify for only one class (i.e. one painting may not be entered under both the “Fair Themed Item” and “Oil or Acrylic” classes).
5. Articles shall not have been entered in the Tennessee State Fair previously and must be in good condition, clean and free of odor.
6. The management will give good care to all articles on exhibition, but will not be responsible for loss or damage, should any occur.
7. BEST OF SHOW will be a single exhibit especially selected by the Judge(s) as outstanding, chosen from 1st place winners in class(es). Best of Show ribbons will be awarded for Divisions ONLY where they are listed. Best of Show award will not be given to same person two years in succession.
8. Judges reserve the right to withhold premiums/ribbons if entries are insufficient or are not of award caliber. Decision of the judge(s) is final.
9. All sewing items entered must have been completed by the exhibitor within the last two (2) years. All quilted items entered must have been completed by the exhibitor with the last five (5) years.
10. Soiled, stained, damaged, articles with an odor or covered with pet hair will not be accepted.
11. Please bring garments on white plastic tubular hangers.
12. Wall Hangings only must have a rod pocket (sleeve) large enough for a 4” rod sewn on the back.
13. Names on personalized labels should be covered with masking tape.
14. Quilts (with the exception of certain Special Technique entries) are considered to be: 1) made of fabric, 2) have three (3) layers, and 3) contain quilting.
15. All items entered must exhibit sewing/quilting techniques accomplished either by hand or machine stitching.
16. Quilts must measure 90” x 92” (queen size) or smaller. Only twin/full/queen size quilts will be eligible for the “Best of Show” award and TVQA's “Workmanship” award (\$15). Quilt kits are excluded from winning the above awards. The exhibitor must indicate on the entry tag if the quilt/wall hanging was made from a kit.

Sewing Judging Criteria:

General Appearance: 25 pts.

Color and Texture Combinations; Originality; Neatness; and Level of Effort

Design in Relationship to Fabric Selection: 25 pts.

Workmanship: 50 pts.

Cut on correct grain of fabric; choice and execution of seams, hems, finishes, bindings, and other construction details; uniformity and perfection of stitches; & pressing techniques

Quilt Judging Criteria:

General Appearance 10%

Visual Impact; Overall Use of Color and Value; Fabric Choice and Design Relationship; Overall Balance and Proportion; Originality; Degree of Difficulty; Cleanliness of Quilt; and Quilt Hangs Straight and Lies Flat.

Design 40%

Good balance, elements in proportion, complexity of design, pleasing use of color, innovation; use of embellishments or surface design enhance overall design.

Workmanship 50%

Quit Top-accurate, consistent construction, precise piecing, neat appliqué stitches, long seams straight and flat, points sharp and match, smooth curves, matching thread, corners sharp, embellishments or surface design tight, strong, edges straight, and no ripples.

Binding-smooth tight even - batting goes all the way to the edge; corners square (if by design) and treated in the same manner.

Backing-smooth, no ripples; proper quilt label, no visible markings, no loose threads or ends (unless consistent with design).

Quilting-balanced well chosen quilt designs that complement the quilt top design, uniformly quilting stitches on top and bottom, balanced tension, unobtrusive starts and stops, complexity of quilt design; amount of quilting sufficient; no knots, tails or travelers on top or bottom.

Adult Sewing Show

Division 313

Premium Offered: \$1152.00

A-Home Décor

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| Class | Description |
| 01. | Pillowcase |
| 02. | Tablecloth, Table Runner, Table Topper, Placemats, Napkins |
| 03. | Holiday or other Pillow, Any Technique |
| 04. | Wall Hanging, other than quilted |
| 05. | Holiday or Christmas Tablecloth, Tree Skirt, Stockings, Table Runners, Etc |

B-Misc. Items

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| 06. | Purse, Handbag, Clutch, Tote, Backpack, etc-Small |
| 07. | Purse, Handbag, Clutch, Tote, Backpack, etc-Large |
| 08. | Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Shrugs, Shawls, Fabric Flowers or Other Clothing Accessories |
| 09. | Handmade Pincushions |
| 10. | Any item made from men's ties |
| 11. | Recycled (one item made into another garment or accessory) |
| 12. | Potholders, Hot Pads, Placemats, Casserole Carriers, and other misc. household items |
| 13. | Handmade Dog Clothes, Costumes or Accessories |
| 14. | Handmade Sewn, Quilted, or Stuffed Toys or Dolls |
| 15. | Handmade Doll Clothes |
| 16. | Miscellaneous, any other item, not otherwise listed |

C-Adult Clothing

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| 17. | Wedding Gown |
| 18. | Dress, Formal or Cocktail |
| 19. | Dress, Woven Fabric, Any Other |
| 20. | Dress, Knit Fabric, Any Other |
| 21. | Lined Jacket or Suit (Skirt or Pant) |
| 22. | Lined Skirt or Pant individually |
| 23. | Casual Wear - Skirt, Pants, Tops, Jackets |
| 24. | Coat |

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| 25. | Blouse or Shirt, Shell, Camisole |
| 26. | Shirt, Tailored |
| 27. | Vest |
| 28. | Sleepwear, Lingerie |
| 29. | Menswear, Any |
| 30. | Handmade Period or Reenactment Garments |
| 31. | Original Design Garment , no commercial pattern, must include design sketch to be exhibited with garment |

D- Wearable Textile Art – These classes require that all work must be hand or machine sewn or applied by the exhibitor.

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| 32. | Decorated Sweatshirts — Appliquéd, painted, embroidered (machine or hand) etc. |
| 33. | Decorated T-Shirts – Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc. |
| 34. | Decorated Denim Garments - Jeans, Jackets, Skirts, etc - Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc. |
| 35. | Other Decorated Garments - (not denim) Skirts, Pants, Tops, etc – Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc |
| 36. | Decorated Hat, Cap, Tote or Purse |
| 37. | Any Other Decorated Wearable Art Article not otherwise listed |

E-Infant Clothing Sizes Birth—24 month

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| 38. | Christening or Dedication Gown |
| 39. | Dress, Fancy or Tailored |
| 40. | Sundress, Sun suit, or Play Outfit |
| 41. | Smocked Garment or Accessories |
| 42. | Baby Day Gown or One Piece Outfit |
| 43. | Infant Quilt or Nursery Blanket |
| 44. | Miscellaneous Infant item not otherwise listed |

F-Toddler Clothing Sizes 2 - 4 years

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| 45. | Dress, Fancy or Tailored |
| 46. | Smocked Garment or Accessories |
| 47. | Sundress, Sun Suit, Pinafore, Jumper |
| 48. | Play Outfit |
| 49. | Jacket, Suit, or Coat |
| 50. | Garment, Any —Appliquéd, Embroidered or Embellished |
| 51. | Sleepwear |
| 52. | Toddlers Outfit with matching Doll Outfit |
| 53. | Miscellaneous garment, not otherwise listed |

G-Children Clothing Size 5-12 years

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| 54. | Dress, Fancy or Tailored |
| 55. | Smocked Garment or Accessories |
| 56. | Sundress or Play Outfit |
| 57. | School Outfit or Jumper |
| 58. | Jacket, Suit or Coat |
| 59. | Garment, Any —Appliquéd, Embroidered or Embellished |
| 60. | Sleepwear |
| 61. | Child's Outfit with matching Doll Outfit |
| 62. | Handmade Costumes – All Infant, Toddler and Children's go in this class |
| 63. | Miscellaneous garment, not otherwise listed |

Special Awards

Best of Show Categories:

Home Décor and Misc Items	Rosette
Adult Clothing	Rosette
Infant, Toddler and Children Clothing	Rosette
Wearable Textile Art	Rosette

Award will be chosen from 1st place winners.

Best Garment Construction

Judged on technique and quality of workmanship.

Rosette

Best Use of Color & Design Elements

Rosette

Creativity in Embellishment Award

Rosette

Best Red, White, and Blue

Judged from all sewing items entered that would be considered patriotic in nature.

Rosette

People's Choice

Rosette

Winners of sewing classes may also receive gift certificates from various sponsors.

Youth Sewing Show

Division 314

Premium Offered: \$684.00

A-Sewing Youth- Ages under 12

01	Dress or Jumper
02	Blouse, Top or Vest
03	Skirt, Pants or Shorts
04	Purse, Bag, Clutch, Tote Bag, Backpack, etc
05	Handmade Pincushions
06	Apron
07	Costume
08	Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Shrug, Shawls, Fabric Flowers or Other Clothing Accessories
09	Recycled (one item made into another garment or accessory)
10	Decorated T-Shirts – Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc. (must be hand/machine sewn or applied by exhibitor)
11	Any Other Decorated Garment- Jeans, Sweat shirt, Jacket, skirts, pants, tops, etc – Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc. (must be hand/ machine sewn or applied by exhibitor)
12	Pillowcase
13	Potholders, Hot Pads, Placemats, Casserole Carriers, and other misc. household items
14	Blanket, Throw, Pillow, etc
15	Holiday Items - Christmas Stockings, Fabric Ornaments, Placemats, or other sewn Holiday Items
16	Handmade Sewn or Quilted Fabric Animal, Doll or Toy
17	Miscellaneous, not otherwise listed

B-Sewing Teen- Ages 13 – 18

18	Dress, Formal or Special Occasion
19	Dress or Jumper, Any Other
20	Blouse, Shirt, Shell, Top, Camisole

21	Skirt, Pants, or Shorts
22	Jacket or Vest
23	Sleepwear
24	Purse, Handbag, Clutch, Tote, Backpack, etc.
25	Handmade Pincushions
26	Apron
27	Costume
28	Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Shrug, Wrap, Shawl, Fabric Flowers or Other Clothing Accessories
29	Recycled (one item made into another garment or accessory)
30	Decorated T-Shirts – Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc. (must be hand/machine sewn or applied by exhibitor)
31	Any Other Decorated Garment- Jeans, Sweat shirt, Jacket, pant, skirt, top, etc – Appliquéd, painted, stenciled, embellished, embroidered, etc. (must be hand/ machine sewn or applied by exhibitor)
32	Pillowcase
33	Potholders, Hot Pads, Placemats, Casserole Carriers, and other misc. household items
34	Blanket, Throw, Pillow, etc
35	Wall Hanging, other than quilted
36	Holiday Items - Christmas stockings, tree skirt, table runner or topper, placemats, blankets, fabric ornaments, etc
37	Handmade Sewn or Quilted Fabric Animal, Toy, or Doll
38	Miscellaneous, not otherwise listed

Special Awards

Best of Show Categories:

Sewing Youth (Ages 12 & under) Rosette

Sewing Teen (Ages 13-18) Rosette

Award will be chosen from 1st place winners.

Best Construction Technique

Judged on technique and quality of workmanship

Rosette

Best Red, White, and Blue

Judged from all sewing items entered that would be considered patriotic in nature.

Rosette

People's Choice

Rosette

Winners of sewing classes may also receive gift certificates from various sponsors.

Adult Quilting Show

Division 315

Premium Offered \$468.00

Class	Description
01	Hand Pieced & Hand Quilted
02	Hand Pieced & Machine Quilted
03	Machine Pieced & Hand Quilted
04	Machine Pieced & Machine Quilted
05	Machine Pieced & Professionally Quilted - (you pay someone to quilt it)
06	Appliqué (May be hand, machine, or fusible)

- 07 Miniature Quilt - Max size 24" x 24"
- 08 Special Other Technique (Paper piecing, machine embroidery, crazy quilting, cathedral windows, yo-yos, whole cloth, etc)
- 09 Quilt from Kit (any size)
- 10 Art Quilt
- 11 Christmas Quilt
- 12 Holiday Quilt (other than Christmas)
- 13 Sampler Quilt - A quilt made of various blocks of which no two are the same block pattern
- 14 Baby Quilt
- 15 Quilted Wall Hanging (Small - up to 140" around)
- 16 Quilted Wall Hanging (Medium - 141" up to 200" around)
- 17 Quilted Wall Hanging (Large - over 200" around)
- 18 Quilted Items - including holiday and seasonal (Clothing, Bags, etc.)
- 19 Table Runners and Table Toppers
- 20 Bed Runners
- 21 Quilted Placemats (2) and Mug Rugs (4)
- 22 First Quilt (any size)
- 23 First Quilted Item/Garment/Project (not a quilt)
- 24 "Modern Quilt" is defined as including, but not limited to, the following characteristics: the use of bold colors and prints, high contrast and graphic areas of solid color, improvisational piecing, minimalism, expansive negative space, and alternate grid work.
- 25 Quilt - Row by Row Experience 2016
A Row by Row Quilt is defined as at least eight (8) different rows from eight (8) **different** 2016 participating Row by Row Quilt Shops. The 2016 theme is "Home Sweet Home". Combine your rows in any way to create a unique quilt that represents the fun you had traveling throughout the summer to visit the shops. Horizontally, vertically, diagonally or around a medallion-it's up to you— your imagination is limitless. Go to the following websites to see examples and ideas, as well as locations of all participating quilt shops by state. Make sure you don't miss our great state of Tennessee. Also visit the Tennessee RxR Face book page to see all the actual row patterns- THEY ARE FREE-and plan your trips now. Finish and enter your quilt in time for the Fair and you'll be eligible to win a TN State Fair Grand Prize in addition to the Row by Row Experience Quilt Shop Prizes.

<http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/>

<http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/tennessee.htm>.

<https://www.facebook.com/TNRowbyRowExperience?fref=ts>

- 26 Quilts of Valor (QOV). ***This class will not be judged and is for display only.*** Must meet the national QOVF standards for size (Min 55" x 65"; Max 72" x 90") and label requirements (must say Quilts of Valor; include a blank for recipient's name and the first name and state of all makers). Should

be appropriate for either adult male or female veterans. See QOVF for more info on standards. <http://www.govf.org>.

"The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor".

Special Awards

- Best of Show Rosette
Award will be chosen from 1st place winners.
- Pride in Workmanship Award
Rosette, Handcrafted Ribbon & Cash Premium
Courtesy of Tennessee Valley Quilters Association (TVQA)
- Ora Buck Award Rosette
Exhibitors 70 years or older compete for award.
Gift Certificate
Courtesy of The Fabric Shop, Springfield, TN
- Creativity Award Rosette
- Best Color & Design Award Rosette
- Best Guild Participation Award Rosette
This cash award will be given to the quilting guild that has the highest number of entries in the quilting division as a percentage of the overall published number of guild members.
- Best Patriotic Red, White and Blue Award Rosette
Judged from all quilting items/quilts entered that contain significant red, white and blue and would be considered patriotic in nature
- People's Choice Rosette
Additional premiums or gift certificates may be awarded based on Sponsorships

Winners of quilt classes may also receive gift certificates from various sponsors.

Youth Quilting Show

Division 316

Premium Offered: \$252.00

New - This Division is also open to 4-H members in addition to open competition.

A-Quilting Youth- Ages under 12

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| 01 | Bed or Lap Quilt – Machine or Hand Pieced or Appliqué & Quilted |
| 02 | Doll Quilt – Machine or Hand Pieced & Quilted |
| 03 | Wall Hanging, Quilted |
| 04 | Quilted Garment or Item, Any |
| 05 | First Quilt |
| 06 | First Quilted Item/Garment/Project (not a quilt) |

B-Quilting Teen- Ages 13 – 18

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| 07 | Bed or Lap Quilt – Machine or Hand Pieced or Appliqué & Quilted |
| 08 | Bed or Lap Quilt – Other technique (tied, etc.) |
| 09 | Doll Quilt – Machine or Hand Pieced & Quilted |
| 10 | Wall Hanging, Quilted |

- 11 Quilted Garment or Item, Any
- 12 First Quilt
- 13 First Quilted Item/Garment/Project (not a quilt)
- 14 Quilts of Valor (QOV). **This class will not be judged and is for display only.** Must meet the national QOVF standards for size (Min 55" x 65"; Max 72" x 90") and label requirements (must say Quilts of Valor; include a blank for recipient's name and the first name and state of all makers). Should be appropriate for either adult male or female veterans. See QOVF for more info on standards. <http://www.qovf.org>.

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Special Awards

Best of Show Categories:

- Quilting Youth (Ages 12 & under) Rosette
- Best of Show Quilting Teen (Ages 13-18) Rosette

Award will be chosen from 1st place winners.

People's Choice Rosette

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Ora Buck Award

- 2013 Pauline Malott, Portland, TN
- 2014 Emily Johnson, La Vergne, TN
- 2015 Edna Mallios, Spring Hill, TN

Best Guild Participation Award

- 2013 Country Quilters Guild, Clarksville, TN
- 2014 Country Quilters Guild, Clarksville, TN
- 2015 The Quilting Bees, Murfreesboro, TN