



BEST OF THE VALLEY
A regional show of quilts and cloth dolls



27th QUILT SHOW – April 12-13, 2024

ENTRY FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL – PLEASE PRINT!!

Name of Maker(s): _____ **Group Quilt?** Yes/No

Age of maker, if under 18 or 80 or older _____ (No entry fee for under 18 or 80+ categories)

If 80+, check here if you also want your quilt judged in general competition (entry fee applies) _____

Address: _____ city/state/zip _____

Cell Phone: _____ **e-mail** _____

Title of Entry: _____ **Year Completed** _____

Is this your **first time** to enter BOTV? Yes/No (circle one)

Original Design? Yes/No **Design Source** (teacher/publication) _____

Quilt was made from a **kit** (includes block of the month with supplied fabrics) Yes/No

Quilted by: _____

QUILTS: Please mark correct size, category, and techniques

Quilt Size - fill in ALL blanks! _____ w X _____ h (width x height) = _____ square inches	_____ Wall Quilt (up to 2304 square inches)
	_____ Small Quilt (2305 to 5183 square inches)
	_____ Large Quilt (5184 square inches or larger)

*****I consider my quilt to be Traditional/Innovative/Modern/Original Art.** (please circle one)

Techniques used (circle ALL that apply)

PIECED: Yes/No	APPLIQUE: Machine/Hand	EMBROIDERY: Machine/Hand
EMBELLISHED: Please describe:		
OTHER TECHNIQUES: Please describe:		
QUILTING Mark all that apply	_____ Hand Quilted _____ Hand Guided on Domestic (fixed head) Machine _____ Quilted by Embroidery Machine _____ Hand Guided Long Arm Quilted _____ Computer-Assisted Long Arm Quilted	
DOLLS: Name of doll: _____ Height: _____ Props that will be included with doll: _____		

Artist's Statement (75 words or less): Describe your entry and its inspiration. **Please Print Legibly!**

"I have read and agree to the contest rules that accompany this entry form. I also certify that the entry described above was made by the person(s) listed above. I wish to display my entry at The Best of the Valley, and agree to abide by the decisions of the Jury and Judges. I agree to hold harmless and indemnify 'The Best of the Valley' for any losses, damages or injuries during the Show."

Entrant's Signature

Date

For questions contact Suzanne Kistler, Chairman, (559) 936-2204 or info@botvquilts.com



RULES FOR ALL ENTRIES:

1. To enter, submit **completed** entry form (photocopies accepted), a non-refundable entry fee of \$15.00 for each entry, and appropriate photographs. There is no limit to number of entries.
2. There is no entry fee for the “under 18” or “80 and older” category. Maximum 2 entries/contestant in these categories, may be reduced, depending upon number of entries received.
3. “80 and older” may also enter their quilt(s) in general competition. In this case, the entry fee will apply.
4. Entry forms must be **RECEIVED BY** February 14, 2024. (No exceptions!)
5. Quilts shown in an earlier Best of the Valley Quilt Show, including BOTV challenge quilts, are ineligible for judged competition.
6. Entries must have been completed within the past 36 months.
7. Quilts must consist of three layers and be quilted, with the exception of specialty quilts, such as Cathedral Windows, Wool Quilts or Crazy Quilts.
8. Quilts with sharp or easily breakable embellishments cannot be accepted for judging. No stretcher bars. Contact Suzanne Kistler regarding possible invitational display.
9. **All entries must be finished to be considered. Do NOT submit photos of work in progress.**
10. Quilts must have a **fabric label** on the back with name of quilt, owner, and contact information.
11. All quilts over 40” wide must have a 4” wide **hanging sleeve**. Heavy quilts, and quilts wider than 80” **MUST** have a split sleeve. Quilts under 40” may have a 3” wide sleeve.
12. Best of the Valley will determine judging categories.
13. This is a juried and invitational show. Submission of entry does not guarantee acceptance.
14. If accepted, quilts must be completed, clean, odor-free and ready to display. **Be sure to remove pet hair!**
15. All decisions of the Jury and Judges will be final.

ADDITIONAL RULE FOR QUILT ENTRIES:

Submit **2 good quality 4x6” color photographs, printed on photo quality paper**. One must show the entire quilt, including binding, the other should be a focused close-up of at least 15” of the quilt, showing clear detail of piecework, and/or applique as well as quilting stitches. **On the back of each photo, indicate the top, quilt size (W x H), entrant’s name and quilt title.**

Submit quilt entries to:

**Suzanne Kistler
347 E. La Vida Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277**

CHECKLIST: Have you included everything?

- Completed **entry form** for each entry
- Check** made out to Best of the Valley covering \$15/quilt entered
- No entry fee for under 18 or 80+ (see rules 2 & 3)
- 2 good quality **photos** for each quilt entry

For any questions or clarification, please call Suzanne Kistler (559) 936-2204

RULES FOR CLOTH DOLLS:

To enter, submit completed entry form and one color photograph. Please note any accessories. **There is no entry fee for dolls.**

Submit doll entries to:

**Kay Gaston
607 E. Oakridge Ct.
Visalia, CA 93292**