

# 2023 Quilt Show Miniature Quilt Guidelines

We ask each member to donate at least one Miniature Quilt to our Feather Princesses 2023 Quilt Show. These quilts will be auctioned; and we will donate the proceeds to a Charity or Charities, which we will decide on at a later date. Our goal is to make a minimum of 50 miniature quilts; and we will have the Miniature Quilt Auction on both days of our Quilt Show.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Miniature quilts should be no larger than 24 x 24 inches (they cannot be any longer or any wider than 24 inches on any one side).
- 2. The miniature quilt should be a small replica (copy or version) of a larger quilt, and must consist of a minimum of four blocks.
- 3. Blocks in the miniature quilts can be no larger than 6 inches (6 x 6), and they must contain at least 60% appliqué. Any method of appliqué may be used to make the blocks.
- 4. The miniature quilts may consist of patchwork, hand appliqué, machine appliqué, and fusible. If fused, the raw edges must be stitched down.
- 5. The miniature quilts may be made in any style: Art/Contemporary, Combined Patchwork and Appliqué, Reproduction, Traditional, Primitive/folk art/wool, Japanese-styled, Australian, etc.
- 6. The miniature quilts must have a fabric label sewn on the back of the quilt (lower right-hand corner) with the maker or maker's name(s), name of the quilt, and the date. If the miniature is quilted by someone other than the person(s) who appliqued it, be sure to include the quilter's name.
- 7. A *Quilt Entry Form* must be filled out and turned in with each donated quilt, along with a photo of the miniature quilt. *Quilt Entry Forms* are available on our Feather Princesses website, <u>Members Only</u> section > <u>Quilt Show</u>.

#### In 2022, we will:

- Have a photographer at a couple of guild meetings to take photos of all of the quilts (dates to be announced).
- Collect the miniature quilts at each Feather Princesses 2022 guild meeting and store them in a secure, smoke-free, and pet-free environment. You may begin turning in your completed miniature quilts at our January guild meeting.
- Conduct a Miniature Quilt Workshop in February, June, and September.

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■ The February workshop will convene at:

### Maureen B. Gauzza Public Library

11211 Countryway Boulevard Tampa, Florida 33626 Wednesday, February 2, 2022 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Alright Ladies! Let's put on our tiaras and start thinking, make some truly striking and stunning miniature appliqué quilts for the auction, and most of all let's do the very best we can and be proud of our work. Let's:

- Choose/or create a variety of different and unique appliqué designs.
- Select a variety of different fabrics (cotton, daiwabo, flannel, linen, wool, etc.).
- Use the most appropriate appliqué method to stitch and complement your appliqué design.
- Incorporate sashing, cornerstones, piping, intricate borders, etc. to enhance the overall appearance of your miniature quilt.
- Use the most appropriate quilting method/pattern (hand, machine, trapunto, etc.) to complement your appliqué design.
- Embellish/enhance your beautifully appliquéd miniature quilts with embroidery, beading, etc.

As a suggestion and note of encouragement, you don't have to do this all by yourself—you don't have to make your miniature quilt alone. It will be exciting, fun, and the perfect opportunity to learn and enhance your knowledge of making miniature quilts by teaming up with your very talented appliqué buddies, Princess Pals, table mates, and/or quilt circle mates to make your miniature quilts together and divide the various tasks. Some could do the appliqué, while others quilt, and while some add the embellishments.

On Wednesday, January 11, 2023, we will:

- Display all of the completed miniature quilts at our guild meeting.
- Conduct a competition; and the Feather Princesses members present at the meeting will vote for their favorite quilt in these categories:
  - Viewer's Choice
  - Most Unique Appliqué Design
  - Best Use of Color
  - Best Workmanship
- Award a \$50 cash prize to the maker of each quilt that receives the most votes in each category.

Okay, Princesses. Let's get busy and get those miniature quilts rolling in. What excitement and joy it will be to see your beautiful and unique creation! We can hardly wait.

If you have questions, please contact our *Miniature Quilt Chair*, Princess **Dee Anderson**, at **deeja102@gmail.com** or **(813) 220-2115**.

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# Miniature Layout Examples

