



Tri-County Quilters present:  
**Quilt Explosion 2009**

A biennial exhibition of quilts  
October 2-4, 2009

Please Print entry # \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:(Submitted by) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Owned by) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone:(day)(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_(evening)(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_

**Due: July 25, 2009**      **Theme: 2009: Life's a Beach.....**

Is this piece to be judged? \_\_\_\_\_      Is this piece for sale? \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) **Size:** WIDTH (top edge): \_\_\_\_\_ inches, LENGTH: \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- 2) **Design/ Construction:** Please describe your quilt. If it is a combination, put it into the category that best describes it. See the accompanying rules. Choose one each from 1. and 2.

Top:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Appliqué      \_\_\_\_\_ Pieced      \_\_\_\_\_ Novelty  
\_\_\_\_\_ Whole Cloth      \_\_\_\_\_ Wearable      \_\_\_\_\_ Miniature  
\_\_\_\_\_ Group Quilt      \_\_\_\_\_ Original Design      \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ By Hand  
\_\_\_\_\_ By Machine

- 3) **Quilting:** \_\_\_\_\_ Hand by self  
\_\_\_\_\_ Hand by other/s (by whom: \_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Home machine by self  
\_\_\_\_\_ Home machine by other/s (by whom: \_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Long arm machine by self  
\_\_\_\_\_ Long arm machine by other/s (by whom: \_\_\_\_\_)

4) **Theme:** Is your quilt to be considered for Best Theme? (Circle one)    Yes    No

5) **Title of Quilt:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date completed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please include a brief description telling us the story of your quilt (who, what, when, inspirations, pattern name, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6) **Method of Return:** \_\_\_\_\_ Show pickup,    \_\_\_\_\_ Return by UPS,    \_\_\_\_\_ Return by Mail

7) **Have you included?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ This entry form      \_\_\_\_\_ \$6.00 entry fee (check)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Three photos      \_\_\_\_\_ Self addressed stamped business envelope

8) **Signature:** I agree to abide by the rules as stated.  
\_\_\_\_\_

9) **Return to:** Susan T. Mallen      Contact TCQG at: tricountyquilters@yahoo.com  
31 Fieldstone Pl.  
Zelienople, PA 16063-9313

## Quilt Explosion 2009 Rules

All entries will be juried.

Each entry must be entered into one category. Please select from the following.

Appliquéd- Quilts that are predominantly the appliqué technique.

Pieced- Quilts that are predominantly the pieced technique.

Whole Cloth- A piece of fabric that has not been altered other than the quilting.

Theme- The theme this year is "Life's a Beach.....".

Group-A quilt *top* that has been worked on by two or more people.

Miniature- A scaled down version of a full-sized quilt. The maximum size is 80" around the outside edge. (ex. 20"x20")

Original Design- The quilt has to be of an original design. It cannot be from a known or published pattern.

Novelty-Any technique that does not come under the definition of "quilted" (Ex. Crazy Patch, Cathedral Window, Embroidery etc.)

Wearable-These items should be quilted all or in part, and include batting.

Mixed- A quilt top where no one method predominates. (Ex. 50% pieced and 50% appliqué)  
Items made from kits will NOT be accepted.

All entries should be clean, properly labeled, and ready to hang, with a 4" hanging sleeve at the top. Instructions will be given with confirmation of your entry's acceptance.

All entries must have been completed after June 1, 2004.

No items entered in previous Quilt Explosions will be allowed.

Entrants are to submit the following:

- One completed and signed entry form for each entry.
- Three clear color photographs (4"x6" or less) for each entry: full front view; full back view, and a close up of the details. Label the photos with your name, the quilt's title, the hanging size, and the quilt's top indicated with an arrow. Photos will not be returned.
- Entry fee of \$6.00 for each item entered. Members of Tri-County Quilters receive their first entry free. Checks are to be made payable to "Tri-County Quilters Guild Inc." No cash please
- A stamped and self addressed business envelope for notification of the jury's decision. (Only one envelope per person, not per quilt)
- All information MUST be *postmarked* by July 25, 2009.

## INFORMATION

Tri-County Quilters Guild Inc. (TCQG) reserves the right to re-assign any entry or to eliminate a category. If there are less than 4 quilts in a category, we may reassign those quilts. Prizes are given at the Judges discretion.

Entry fees will not be returned.

TCQG reserves the right to reject any entry at show time, if we find the rules were not followed.

Anyone may enter according to the rules.

Security will be provided 24 hours a day during the show.

Please check with your insurance agent to make sure that your quilt is covered under your homeowners' policy while it is on display. Some companies require a temporary rider on the policy and others cover it while away from home for short periods of time.

Sale inquiries about your quilt will be given to you when your quilt is returned to you on Sunday.

Shipping costs are the responsibility of the entrant.

## Awards

In addition to ribbons, we will award the following cash prizes:

1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , and 3 <sup>rd</sup> in each category	\$30/\$20/\$10
Best of Show, Viewer's Choice, and Best Theme quilt	\$50 each
Best Hand Quilting*, Best Machine Quilting*	To be determined
Judges Choice (2)	\$25 each
Best Use of Color	To be determined

\* Quilts eligible for Best Hand Quilting and Best Machine Quilting Awards must be the work of one person.

Additional ribbons may be awarded as merited.

Show Location: The Family First Resource Center, 216 N. Washington St., Butler, PA 16001

## Calendar

July 25, 2009	Entry forms due
August 19, 2009	Jury letters mailed
September 17, 2009	Quilts accepted at TCQG meeting
September 19, 2009	Deadline for shipped quilts
September 16-20, 2009	Hand delivery of quilts
October 2-4, 2009 10am-5pm Fri., & Sat. 10am-4pm Sun.	Quilt Explosion 2009 Admission \$5.00, 6 and under are free, <i>No Strollers please</i>
October 4, 2009 5:00-5:30pm	Pickup of quilts

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