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QUILTS



Join the Quilt
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"Whatever Your
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Nebraska State Fair

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The most efficient way to enter your exhibits is online. Instructions on how to enter online are found on the web site, www.statefair.org. For directions on entering by mail or in-person go to the entry information section in this book.

Quilt Department

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New in 2023

Quilts must be completed after September 1, 2020 (clarification date)
The Binding for JR. Youth and SR. Youth is to be done by the YOUTH,

- | DIV | Class | |
|--------|------------------------------------|---|
| • 5320 | 2019 | Added Crazy to "Other Type Quilt". (Deleted 5320 2002 Crazy Quilt) |
| | 2002 | Panel Quilt, any size |
| | 2045 | TQ, or JQ appliqued or mixed, MQ (combined 5320-2045 and 5320-2046) |
| • 5330 | Two Person Senior Quilts 3 classes | |
| | 3019 | Panel Quilt, any size, NCQ or CQ |
| | 3040 | Deleted JQ, added to classes 3041, 3042, 3043, 3044 |
| | 3097 | Group Quilt HQ (hand quilted). Any size |

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- **No Late Entries, Including Add-ons & Substitutes at check-in time.**
 - **Omaha, Seward & North Platte; Pick-Up, & Return Locations, Dates, & Times See page 16**
 - All entries being returned by USPS, FEDEX or UPS, must include **a PREPAID RETURN LABEL** when entry is mailed or shipped to fair. **DO NOT send check or money orders for return postage.**

Important Dates

Entry Deadline: Tue, Aug 8th, midnight

Exhibit Delivery: Wed, Aug 16th, 3-8 pm and Thu, Aug 17th, 8 am-3 pm for all Division 5320 and 5330 entries.

Exhibit Release: **Mon, Sept 4th, from 6-8 pm closing night of fair and Tue, Sept 5th, from 8 am - noon.**

Early release is prohibited

Quilt Awards: The judge may but is not required to award up to five ribbons (1st through 5th) for the first five places in the competition classes, Divisions 5320 and 5330 and in the Best-in-County contest, Division 5391. In cases where the class is large, the judge may opt to award an additional set of ribbons (2nd through 5th) but there will be only one 1st place (blue) awarded in each class. Only 1st place is awarded in the Division 5390 Special Contests.

The NSF provides the following premiums & Overall Awards for the various classes and contests:

Place	Ribbon	Competition Classes	Special Contests	Best-in-County Contest
		Divisions 5320 & 5330	Division 5390	Division 5391
1 st	Blue	\$25	\$25	\$30
2 nd	Red	\$15	-	\$25
3 rd	White	\$10	-	\$20
4 th	Pink	\$5	-	\$15
5 th	Yellow	\$3	-	\$10

Rosette and \$60 cash	Rosette and \$35 cash	Rosette and \$25 cash
Best of Show	Reserved Best of Show	Best Commercial Quilter
	Best of Division 5320	Reserve Best of Division 5320
	Best of Division 5330	Reserve Best of Division 5330
	Judge's Choice	Best Kit/BOM 5320
		Best Kit/BOM 5330

Selection for Overall Show Awards:

- These are clarifications for the next 2 awards.
- *The Judge's Choice award is chosen by the judge from all quilts entered. This quilt is the one the Judge chooses as her favorite. A Rosette & Premium are Awarded.*
- *The Best Commercial Quilter is chosen by the judge from all quilts that are entered as being commercially quilted in Division 5330. A Rosette & Premium are Awarded.*
- Best Kit/BOM Division 5320 and Best Kit/BOM Division 5330 are selected from the 1st place winners of all kit/BOM quilt classes in each respective division. This is the terminating award for quilts in kit/BOM classes.
- The Best of Division 5320 and Division 5330 are selected from the 1st place winners of all classes in the respective divisions with the exception of 1st place winners of the kit/BOM classes.
- The Best of Show is selected from the two quilts: Best of Division 5320 and 5330. Reserve Best of Show will be selected from one of the two following quilts: (1) Best of Division not selected as Best of Show (2) Reserve Best of Division selected as Best of Show. The Reserve Best of Division not selected as "Best of Show" is not eligible for Reserve Best of Show.

Results: Judging results are posted online as soon as possible after verification of data. This usually takes a few days after the completion of judging since getting the exhibition area ready for opening day of the fair must take precedent over the posting process. Go to www.statefair.org 1st click on "Competitions and Participants" 2nd click on "Competitions", 3rd click on "Competitive Exhibits".

Quilt Department Divisions: Classes and Contests

The Quilt Department has four divisions that house different types of classes, contests, and restrictions for entry.

Divisions 5320 and 5330 – Competition Classes: Exhibitor maximum of one quilt per class and 3 quilts per total.

- Division 5320 is for quilts sewn and quilted exclusively by one person.
- Division 5330 is for quilts sewn and quilted by more than one person and includes: two-person quilts, group quilts, quilts where the top is made by one or more persons and the quilting is done either for pay (commercially quilted) or not-for-pay (non-commercially quilted).

Division 5390 - Special Contests: Exhibitor maximum: three special contests per quilt and multiple quilts in any one special contest. The rules for each special contest vary from contest to contest. All quilts must be entered in a competition class in order to compete in a Division 5390 special contest.

Division 5391 – Best-in-County Quilts:

See specific rules regarding this contest in Division 5391. Note that entry in a county fair is not a prerequisite except for the Best-in-County contest.

An entry in this contest must first be designated as the best quilt at their county fair competition and then be entered, received, and judged in one of the Division 5320 or 5330 competition classes prior to competing in the NSF Best-in-County Contest. All quilt entries which qualify to enter the Best-in-County contest will receive a special distinctive ribbon and signage. The top five entries in the contest will receive an additional special rosette and NSF cash award.

Quilt Department Abbreviations:

BQ - bed quilt

TQ - throw quilt

JQ - juvenile/crib quilt

WQ - wall quilt

HQ - hand quilted (must contain no machine quilting)

MQ - machine quilted (can contain a combination of hand and machine quilting)

CQ - commercially quilted: quilting is done for pay (includes both hand and machine)

NCQ - non-commercially quilted: no money is exchanged for the quilting done by a second person or group

BOM - Block-of-the-Month

Kit or BOM - quilts that are made from patterns and fabrics specified and/or sold as a unit for retail sale.

Mixed techniques - where a combination of two or more construction methods (not including quilting or trapunto) are major components in the quilt design. An example would be a quilt containing significant amounts of both piecing and appliqué.

Quilt Department Rules:

It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to be familiar with all applicable rules and regulations. The [General Rules & Regulations](#) linked here apply to all NSF open class domestic departments.

In addition, the following **Specific Quilt Department Rules** also apply:

- Competition in all Quilt Department divisions is limited to items which meet the following criteria: (1) meets the definition of a quilt: a fabric sandwich made of three layers (a top, a filling and a back) held together by thread or string that goes through all layers, (2) is a bed, throw or wall quilt but not another type of quilted item i.e. table runners, kitchen items, pillows and quilted wearable garments, and (3) has no sharp embellishments, surface design features or hanging devices that require special handling.

Opportunities for entering items which do not meet the above criteria can be found in the [2023 Textile Arts Entry Book](#), Division 5202: *Sewing for the Home* or Division 5208: Fiber Arts.

- Quilt Department entry limits:
 - **Competition Class Limits** (Division 5320 and 5330): **total of three quilts per exhibitor.**
 - **Special Contest Limits** (Division 5390): Quilts must be entered in a "competition class" to compete in special contests. The exhibitor may enter multiple quilts in the same special contest as well as the same quilt in multiple (but not more than three) special contests.
- Youth and senior adults can enter a quilt in either their respective age-restricted competition class or any non-age restricted competition class, but the same quilt cannot be entered both places. The exhibitor's age as of Jan 1 is used for age-restricted classes. Birthdate is required on the entry form only on age-restricted classes.
- All entries must have been completed within the last three years. **Quilts must be completed after September 1, 2020.**
- Competition in Division 5320 (one-person quilts) is limited to Nebraska residents only. In Divisions 5330 (multiple-person quilts), Division 5390 (Special Contests) and Division 5391 (Best in County), the primary maker or majority of persons involved in making the quilt must be Nebraska resident(s), but a secondary portion (including the quilting step) may be done by a non-Nebraska resident.
- Any quilt previously entered in Divisions 5320 or 5330 (one-person quilts or multiple-person quilts) cannot compete again in those divisions.
- The exhibitor selects the division and class for entry. However, the superintendent or judge may move an entry to a different class to comply with the class description.
- Entry in a county fair is not a prerequisite except for the special recognition award - **Division 5391, Best-in-County Quilts.**
- A quilt made from a kit or block-of-the-month package where the pattern and fabric components are retailed as a unit must be entered in a class specifically for kits and block-of-the-month quilts. Purchasing a pattern and fabrics

separately that is a representation of a kit is considered the same as the purchase of the kit.

- Tied quilts may be entered only in the following classes **Special Types of Quilts** (Classes 2002, 2007, 2019), **Youth** (Classes 2080 through 2086), and **Group Quilts by Non-Quilters** (Class 3070).
- **All quilts must have a fabric label with the name and address of the maker(s) for identification purposes. Attach the label to the lower left corner of the backside of the quilt.** Then, in order to prevent the judge from seeing the name, baste a piece of fabric over the label and anywhere else the name appears on the quilt.
- **All quilts will be folded upon entry to the Nebraska State Fair.**
- **Quilts longer than 120 inches may not be hung due to length & weight.**
- Hanging sleeves are not required on quilts.
- Include no photographs, newspaper articles, county ribbons or other information with the exhibit.
- Removal of entries prior to release time is prohibited.

How to Enter - Entry Deadline is Tue, Aug 8th, midnight

Exhibitors may purchase \$5 Exhibitor Gate Tickets. A maximum of 5 exhibitor tickets per family is allowed. No refunds will be given on any unused or lost tickets. To purchase these tickets, go to <https://bit.ly/CEExhibitorTicket> and use password CVENT. *Note this year, daily gate admission for Seniors (age 60+) is \$5 for any day of the fair. Find additional ticket deals and details at www.statefair.org, "buy tickets".*

Online Registration: Linda Kruse, data coordinator for Quilts, may answer questions exhibitors have about data entry at 308-390-2335. The most time and cost-efficient way to enter is online. Exhibitors can enter multiple departments of the Competitive Exhibits division and order exhibitor tickets (optional) in one session. Online entry will begin around July 1st. Instructions for entering online are found on the web site, www.statefair.org. 1st click on "Menu" 2nd click on "Competitions", and 3rd click on "Open Class Competitive Exhibits".

Mail-In or In-Person Registration: When using mail-in or in-person registration, the exhibitor must use a separate form for each department entered. Either print out the entry form from the following hyperlink: [2023 Quilt Entry Form](#) or request the form from the Nebraska State Fair Office Grand Island; phone: 308-382-1620.

Entry forms may be mailed, faxed, or delivered to the Nebraska State Fair. Deadline is **Tue, Aug 8th, midnight**

- Mailing address: Nebraska State Fair Office, PO Box 1387, Grand Island NE, 68802-1387
- Fax: 308-384-1555
- Hand delivery address: Nebraska State Fair Office, 501 E Fonner Park Rd, Ste. 200, Grand Island NE, 68801

Guidelines for Completing Entry Form – Online, Mail in, or Delivery

- Enter **all** items that you plan to bring. Items not brought to the fair by deadline will be deleted.
- Retain a copy of entry form. A copy is required with each package mailed/shipped to Grand Island or left at the NSF office prior to the receiving date. For online registration: print either the entry receipt activity report or a packing/loading report.
- **Entry description format:** The entry description is for identification purposes only. Limit the number of letters in the description to not more than 40.

For Division 5320 or 5330 entry, provide the following information in this order using the abbreviated format as shown in the example:

- Quilt dimensions to the closest whole inch - omitting inch abbreviation and spaces
- Major quilt colors - abbreviate
- An identifying quilt design feature

Example: "75x95 blu/gr/cm log cabin" would be a suitable description for an entry in Division 5320, Class 2025 which is 75" x 95" with log cabin blocks made from various blue, green, and cream fabrics.

For Division 5390 – Special Contest entry, provide the following information in this order using the abbreviated format as shown in the example:

- Original competition class, list as oc=xxxx for original class number
- Quilt dimensions, list to the closest whole inch
- Predominant colors
- Identifying feature (i.e., block)

Example: "oc=2025;75x95 blu/gr/cm log cabin" would be a suitable description for a quilt that 75" x 95" with log cabin blocks made from multiple blue, green, and cream fabrics.

Deliver Exhibits to Quilt Hall - Pinnacle Bank Expo Center – Deadline is Thu, Aug 17th, 3 pm

- **In-Person:** Bring exhibit(s), along with a copy of the entry form, to the Quilt Hall in the Pinnacle Bank Expo Center on **Wed, Aug 16th, from 3 to 8 pm or Thu, Aug 17th, from 8 am to 3 pm.**
- **Ship by USPS, UPS, or FedEx:** Refer to [Shipping Options](#) for detailed instructions on packaging, where to send exhibits, **INCLUDE A PREPAID RETURN LABEL with your exhibit.** Note that items sent by mail (USPS) must use the street address, same as entries sent by a delivery service (UPS or FedEx) must use the street address. These items must be delivered in time to meet the receiving deadline of **Thu, Aug 17th.** Nebraska State Fair, 501 E Fonner Park Rd., Ste. 200 Grand Island NE, 68801.

Return Options of Exhibits

Early release is prohibited

In-Person: Exhibits can be picked up closing night of the fair, **Mon, Sept 4th, from 6 to 8 pm or Tue, Sept 5th, from 8 am to noon in the Quilt Hall, or as soon after take down of quilts as possible.**

You must sign the release list to collect your entries. If you sent your exhibits by mail, shipping service, or drop-off but wish to pick them up in person at the end of the fair, you can do so with identification.

- **Ship by USPS, UPS, or FedEx:** Exhibitors who want items returned by USPS, FedEx, or UPS delivery service **MUST** make this notation on the entry form enclosed with exhibits. **Exhibits will not be returned WITH OUT A PREPAID RETURN LABEL.** Refer to [ShippingOptions](#) for return information.

Exhibits not picked up during above designated times must be picked up from the NSF office by end of business day Fri., Oct 27th, 2023. After that they will be donated to charity.

QUILT DEPARTMENT - DIVISIONS 5320, 5330, 5390, and 5391

DIVISION 5320 ~ One-Person Quilts

All quilts in **Division 5320** must be made and completed exclusively by one person who is a Nebraska resident. Quilts made by more than one person are entered in **Division 5330 - Multiple-Person Quilts.**

*In **Division 5320**, only quilts in classes 2001, 2002, 2007 and classes 2080 through 2086 (youth quilt classes), have the option to be secured with knots or ties.*

Entry description format: The entry description is for identification purposes only. Limit the number of letters in the description to not more than 40.

Provide the following information in this order using the abbreviated format as shown in the example:

- Quilt dimensions to the closest whole inch - omitting inch abbreviation and spaces
- Major quilt colors - abbreviate
- An identifying quilt design feature

Example: “**75x95 blu/gr/cm log cabin**” would be a suitable description for an entry in Division 5320, Class 2025 which is 75” x 95” with log cabin blocks made from various blue, green, and cream fabrics.

SPECIAL TYPES of QUILTS

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Class Name</u>
5320	2000	Pride of Nebraska, any size: A quilt that reflects Nebraska’s heritage or culture. The quilt may be of either original or traditional design but not made from a kit or BOM. <u>Requirement: 3”x5” card near the label indicating in 50 words or less how the design relates to Nebraska.</u>
5320	2002	Panel quilt, any size: A quilt made with a single or multiple preprinted panels. Panel is an integral part of the quilt.
5320	2006	Special occasion, any size: A quilt that reflects a holiday or special occasion. The quilt design may be based on a pattern, kit or BOM. <u>Requirement: 3”x5” card with 1-3 words indicating the special occasion.</u>
5320	2007	Logo-item quilt, any size, <i>quilted or tied</i> : A quilt featuring items such as T-shirts, golf towels, hats, etc. that contain logos and/or are commemorative of events.

5320	2008	Reclaimed material quilt, any size: A quilt which contains salvaged material from clothing (excluding logo items) and/or other sources (i.e., dresser scarves, table linens, etc.) previously used for some purpose other than a quilt. <u>Requirement:</u> 3"x5" card attached near the label explaining in 15 words or less the source of recycled material.
5320	2009	Fragment quilt, any size: A quilt using a combination of new and salvaged vintage fabrics or unfinished quilt fragments from a previous maker (known or unknown) and completed by the exhibitor. <u>Requirement:</u> 3"x5" card near the label indicating in 15 words or less the source and history of the quilt fragments and salvaged material.
5320	2010	Whole cloth quilt, any size: A quilt made from a single piece of cloth or lengths of cloth joined together rather than being made of patchwork, applique, embroidery, or other construction methods. A whole cloth quilting pattern (either by hand or machine) provides the only design feature of the whole cloth quilts.
5320	2013	Art-type quilt, any size: A wall quilt based on a pattern, kit or class instruction that reflects imagery or ideas.
5320	2014	Art Quilt small, up to 120" around: A small wall quilt that reflects imagery or ideas and is not made from a pattern, kit, or class instructions.
5320	2016	Art Quilt large, over 121" around: A large-sized wall quilt that reflects imagery or ideas and is not made from a pattern, kit or class instructions.
5320	2019	Other type quilt not listed: any size (could include but not limited to Stenciled, YoYo, Crazy, Cathedral Window, Biscuit or Tied).

BED QUILTS - Must be suitable for a bed; suggested minimum size of 60" x 76". Quilts smaller than suggested minimum would be better entered in the TQ classes.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5320	2022	BQ any technique, HQ
5320	2024	BQ pieced, up to 10 fabrics, MQ
5320	2025	BQ pieced, 11-24 fabrics, MQ
5320	2026	BQ pieced, over 24 fabrics, MQ
5320	2027	BQ appliquéd or mixed techniques, MQ
5320	2028	BQ made from a Kit/BOM, (fabrics/ patterns specified and/or sold as a package)

SMALL QUILTS – Small quilts include both throw quilts (TQ) and juvenile quilts (JQ). Throw quilts are intended for personal use, not a bed. Juvenile quilts must be appropriate for a child. Quilts for young children should not contain any embellishments that could be safety or choking hazards.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5320	2041	TQ or JQ any technique, HQ
5320	2042	TQ or JQ pieced, up to 10 fabrics, MQ
5320	2043	TQ or JQ pieced, 11-24 fabrics, MQ
5320	2044	TQ or JQ pieced, over 24 fabrics, MQ
5320	2045	TQ or JQ appliquéd or mixed technique (two or more construction techniques as major design components, i.e., piecing and appliquéd), MQ
5320	2050	TQ or JQ made from a Kit/BOM (refers to fabrics and patterns specified and /or sold as a package)

WALL QUILTS - Quilts not intended for a bed.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5320	2060	WQ miniature, HQ or MQ: maximum size 24"x24" with overall pattern reflecting reduced scale and miniaturization. Blocks, if used, should be no larger than 4"x4". Miniature whole cloth quilts should be entered in this category
5320	2062	WQ any technique, HQ
5320	2064	WQ pieced, up to 140" around, MQ
5320	2065	WQ pieced, over 140" around, MQ
5320	2068	WQ appliquéd or mixed techniques, up to 140" around, MQ
5320	2069	WQ appliquéd or mixed techniques, over 140" around, MQ
5320	2070	WQ made from a Kit/BOM (refers to fabrics and patterns specified and /or sold as a package)

JUNIOR and SENIOR YOUTH – These classes are specifically for youth. Birth date must be included when entering these classes. *Note that youth may enter an item either in their respective age-restricted class or any non-age-restricted class, but the same item cannot be entered both places.*

Junior Youth: Up to 12 years of age by Jan 1

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5320	2080	BQ or TQ, <i>quilted or tied</i>
5320	2081	WQ, or Doll Quilt, <i>quilted or tied</i>

Senior Youth: 13 to 18 years of age by Jan 1

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5320	2085	BQ or TQ, <i>quilted or tied</i>
5320	2086	WQ, or Doll Quilt, <i>quilted or tie</i>

SENIOR ADULTS - These classes are for persons who are 65 years of age and older as of the Jan 1. Birth date must be included when entering. *Note that senior adults may enter an item in either their age-restricted competition class or any non-age restricted competition class, but the same item cannot be entered both places.*

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5320	2090	BQ or TQ any technique, HQ
5320	2091	BQ, pieced, MQ
5320	2092	BQ, appliqued or mixed technique, MQ
5320	2093	TQ, any technique, MQ
5320	2094	WQ, any technique; any size, HQ
5320	2095	WQ, pieced, up to 140" around, MQ
5320	2096	WQ, pieced over 140" around, MQ
5320	2097	WQ, Applique or Mixed Technique, any size, MQ
5320	2098	BQ, TQ, WQ made from a Kit/BOM (fabrics/patterns specified and /or sold as a package)

DIVISION 5330 ~ Multi-Person Quilts

These are classes for quilts made by more than one person and include both quilts where there is no payment in exchange for the quilting step (non-commercially quilted) and quilts where the second person is paid to perform the quilting step (commercially quilted). The primary person or majority of persons making the quilt must be from Nebraska.

In **Division 5330, only quilts in Class 3070 (group quilts made by non-quilters) have the option to be secured with knots or ties rather than quilted.*

Entry description format: The entry description is for identification purposes only. Limit the number of letters in the description to not more than 40.

Provide the following information in this order using the abbreviated format as shown in the example:

- Quilt dimensions to the closest whole inch - omitting inch abbreviation and spaces
- Major quilt colors - abbreviate
- An identifying quilt design feature

Example: “**75x95 blu/gr/cm log cabin**” would be a suitable description for an entry in Division 5330, Class 3021 which is 75” x 95” with log cabin blocks made from multiple blue, green, and cream fabrics.

DIVISION 5330 ~ Multi-Person Quilts by Two People

TWO-PERSON YOUTH QUILTS - NCQ (non-commercially quilted) or CQ (commercially quilted)

These classes are specifically for youth. Age is as Jan 1. Birth date must be included when entering. Youth must make the top. The quilting is done by a second person (either for pay or not). *Note that youth may enter an item in either their respective age-restricted competition class or any non-age restricted competition class, but the same item cannot be entered both places.*

Entry Instructions: Enter the name and address of the youth who made the top as the primary exhibitor and the other person as the second quilt person. The primary exhibitor must be a Nebraska resident. The second person may, but does not have to be a Nebraska resident. See beginning of **Division 5330 ~ Multi-Person Quilts** for *entry description format* to use.

Requirement: *The binding for JR. Youth and SR. Youth is to be done by the YOUTH. NEW.*

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3006	Sr Youth 2-person quilt - any size, top and binding is done by a Sr Youth (13 to 18 yrs of age as of Jan 1)
5330	3005	Jr Youth 2-person quilt - any size, top & binding is done by a Jr Youth (up to 12 yrs of age as of Jan 1)

Two - Person Senior Quilts, - NCQ (non-commercially quilted) or CQ (commercially quilted)

These classes are for persons who are 65 years of age and older by Jan 1. Birth date must be included when entering. The quilting is done by a second person (either for pay or not). Seniors may enter an item in either their respective age-restricted competition class or any non-age restricted class, but the same item cannot be entered in both places.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3091	BQ, any technique MQ
5330	3092	TQ, any technique MQ
5330	3093	WQ, any technique MQ

TWO-PERSON QUILTS - NCQ (non-commercially quilted)

These classes are for quilts made by only two persons although the work does not have to be divided equally between the two individuals. Nor does one person have to do the top and the other the quilting. If any part, no matter how small, was done by a second person the quilt qualifies as a two-person-NCQ as long as there is no exchange of money for work done.

Entry Instructions: Enter the name and address of the person who made the majority of the top as the primary exhibitor and the other person as the second quilt person. The primary exhibitor must be a Nebraska resident. The second person may but does not have to be a Nebraska resident. See beginning of **Division 5330 ~ Multi-Person Quilts** for *entry description format* to use.

Requirement: *Identify both makers on a label attached to the back lower left quilt corner.*

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3010	BQ, NCQ, TQ or WQ, NCQ

TWO-PERSON QUILTS - CQ (commercially quilted)

A quilt where one person constructs the top and a second person (the commercial quilter) quilts the three layers together for pay. *Note that when the quilting is done for pay by a group of quilters, the entry must be entered as a multi-person group quilt, commercially quilted (Division 5330, Class 3095 or Class 3096).*

Entry Instructions: Enter the name of the person who made the top as the primary exhibitor and the commercial quilter as the second quilt person. The primary exhibitor must be a Nebraska resident; the commercial quilter does not. See beginning of **Division 5330 ~ Multi-Person Quilts** for *entry description format* to use.

Requirement: *Identify both the maker of the top and the quilter on a label attached to the back lower left quilt corner.*

SPECIAL TYPES OF QUILTS, any size, NCQ or CQ

Top made by one person, quilted by another either for or not for pay.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3015	Logo-item quilt, any size, NCQ or CQ: Featuring a collection of items such as T-shirts, golf towels, hats, etc. that contain logos and/or are commemorative of events.
5330	3016	Reclaimed material quilt, any size, NCQ or CQ: Contains salvaged material from clothing (excluding logo items) and/or other sources (i.e. dresser scarves, table linens, etc.) previously used for some purpose other than a quilt. <u>Requirement:</u> <i>3"x5" card attached near the label explaining in 15 words or less the source of recycled material.</i>
5330	3017	Fragment quilt, any size: NCQ or CQ: A quilt using a combination of new and salvaged vintage fabric or unfinished quilt fragments from a

previous maker (known or unknown) completed by the exhibitor prior to **being commercial or non-commercially quilted**. Requirement: 3"x5" card near the label indicating in 15 words or less the source and history of the quilt fragments and salvaged material.

- 5330 3018 Special Occasion, any size NCQ or CQ. A quilt that reflects a holiday or special occasion. The quilt design may be based on a pattern, kit or BOM. Requirement: 3"x5" card with 1-3 words indicating the special occasion.
- 5330 3019 Panel Quilt, any size NCQ or CQ: A quilt made with a single or multiple preprinted panel. Panel is an integral part of the quilt. **NEW**

BED QUILTS, CQ – Top made by one person, quilted by a commercial quilter - Suggested minimum size 60"x76"

Quilts smaller than suggested minimum would be better entered in TQ classes.

- | Div | Class | |
|------|-------|--|
| 5330 | 3021 | BQ pieced, up to 10 fabrics, CQ |
| 5330 | 3022 | BQ pieced, 11-24 fabrics, CQ |
| 5330 | 3023 | BQ pieced, over 24 fabrics, CQ |
| 5330 | 3025 | BQ applique or mixed techniques, CQ |
| 5330 | 3028 | BQ made from a Kit/BOM, up to 24 fabrics, CQ |
| 5330 | 3029 | BQ made from a Kit/BOM, over 24 fabrics, CQ |

SMALL QUILTS, CQ –Top made by one person, quilted by a commercial quilter – Small quilts include both throw quilts (TQ) and juvenile quilts (JQ). Throw quilts are intended for personal use, not a bed. Juvenile quilts must be appropriate for a child. Quilts for young children should not contain any embellishments that could be safety or choking hazards.

- | Div | Class | |
|------|-------|--|
| 5330 | 3041 | JQ or TQ pieced, up to 10 fabrics, CQ NEW |
| 5330 | 3042 | JQ or TQ pieced, 11-24 fabrics, CQ NEW |
| 5330 | 3043 | JQ or TQ pieced, over 24 fabrics, CQ NEW |
| 5330 | 3044 | JQ or TQ, applique or mixed techniques, CQ NEW |
| 5330 | 3045 | JQ or TQ made from a Kit/ BOM (fabrics/patterns specified and /or sold as a package), CQ |

WALL QUILTS, CQ – Top made by one person, quilted by a commercial quilter

- | Div | Class | |
|------|-------|--|
| 5330 | 3051 | WQ pieced, up to 200" around, CQ |
| 5330 | 3052 | WQ pieced, over 200" around, CQ |
| 5330 | 3053 | WQ appliqué or mixed techniques (combination of two or more construction techniques as major design components, i.e. piecing and appliqué), CQ |
| 5330 | 3054 | WQ made from a Kit/BOM (fabrics and patterns specified and /or sold as a package), CQ |

DIVISION 5330 ~ Multi-Person Quilts by Groups

These classes are for quilts where three or more people are involved in making the quilt. One or more persons may make the top. One person or a group of people may do the quilting. It also includes both quilts where there is no payment exchange for the quilting step (non-commercially quilted) and quilts where one or more people are paid for the quilting step (commercially quilted). In all cases, the majority of people making the quilt must be Nebraska residents.

Entry Instructions for Group Quilts:

Group quilts must be entered using a group name as the exhibitor - not under the name of an individual exhibitor. **Start a complete new data entry form.** Choose a name for your group if you don't already have an established group name. You also need to have a contact person for the entry (typically the person responsible for submitting the entry). The contact person's address and phone is used for the address and phone number of the group. *Premiums will be paid to the Group name.*

Complete the online entry (or a mail-in entry form) for the Group Exhibit using the following information:

Initiate a new exhibitor using your group name as the exhibitor's name as follows:

- First name: use the word "group" (this is a required field so it can't be left blank)
- Last name: name you have selected for your group (can be multiple words with spaces between)
- Address: contact person's address

Phone: contact person's phone
Email: contact person's email address

Then proceed to the entry step:

Select: Quilt Department, Division 5330 Group Quilts, Class (select from drop-down menu)
Entry description: Refer to the beginning of Division 5330 – Multiple Person Quilts for entry description format
Quilter's name: Person or group that did the quilting; include CQ (for commercial quilter) and NCQ (for non-commercially quilted)
Contact Person: Person responsible for submitting the entry

Group Quilts by Non-Quilters – tied or NCQ (non-commercially quilted),

This class is for quilts made by school, community or family groups of three or more people, the majority of whom do not typically make quilts. Entries may be either tied or quilted but there is no exchange of money for work done (must be non-commercially quilted).

Requirement: Either on the label or an attached 3"x5" card next to the label, list the group name, the contact person and the person or persons doing the quilting.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3070	Quilt, any size, tied or NCQ

Group Quilts, NCQ (non-commercially quilted)

These classes are for quilts made by three or more people who typically make quilts and where there is no exchange of money for work done (must be non-commercially quilted).

Requirement: Either on the label or an attached 3"x5" card next to the label, list the group name, the contact person and the person or persons doing the quilting.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3080	Group quilts, up to 300" around, NCQ
5330	3081	Group quilts, over 300" around, NCQ

Group Quilts, CQ (commercially quilted)

This class is for quilts made by a group of three or more people where there is a money exchange for the quilting step (commercially quilted). One or more persons may do the quilting.

Requirement: Either on the label or an attached 3"x5" card next to the label, list the group name, the contact person and the person or persons doing the quilting.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3095	Group quilt, up to 300" around, CQ
5330	3096	Group quilt, over 300" around, CQ

Group Quilts, HQ (hand quilted) NCQ (non-commercially quilted) or CQ (commercially quilted)

This class is for quilts made by a group of 3 or more people, that has been hand quilted, that money may or may not have been exchanged for the quilting.

Requirement: Either on the label or an attached 3"x5" card next to the label, list the group name, the contact person and the person or persons doing the quilting.

<u>Div</u>	<u>Class</u>	
5330	3097	Group quilt, any size.

DIVISION 5390 - SPECIAL QUILT CONTESTS

Division 5390 contains the classes known as **Special Quilt Contests**.

- The requirements for each special contest vary from contest to contest.
- A quilt must be entered in a "competition class" to compete in special contests.
- The exhibitor may enter multiple (up to three) quilts in the same special contest as well as the same quilt in multiple (up to three) special contests.
- Only 1st place is awarded in this division

Entry description format:

The entry description is for identification purposes only. The total entry description must not exceed 40 characters (letters and spaces). This requires use of an abbreviated format.

Use the following format and list in the following order:

- Original competition class, list as oc=xxxx for original class number
- Quilt dimensions, list to the closest whole inch
- Predominant colors
- Identifying feature (i.e. block)

Example: “oc=2025;75x95 blu/gr/cm log cabin” would be a suitable description for a quilt that 75” x 95” with log cabin blocks made from multiple blue, green and cream fabrics.

Div Class 40 or Less!

5390 9401 Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that are made by someone whose age is between 19 and 40 by Jan 1. Birth date must be included when entering. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class The Diamond Award

5390 9402 Open to Division 5320 Senior Adult Classes 2090 through 2098 (bed, throw and wall quilts) entries made by a quilter age 75 or older as of Jan 1. Birth date must be included when entering. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Machine Quilting: Stationary Machine

5390 9415 Open to Division 5320 entries of any size where the quilter moves the quilt by hand under a sewing machine to do the quilting. The machine itself remains stationary during the quilting process. Not using a digital program. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Machine Quilting: Track-Mounted Machine

5390 9416 Open to Division 5320 entries of any size where the machine is moved by hand over the surface of the quilt to do the quilting and *not using a digital program*. The machine itself is moving on a track during the process while the fabric remains stationary. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Quilting the Modern

5390 9417 Open to Division 5320 entries of any size that is both a modern quilt with modern-style quilting. The quilting can be done either using a stationary machine or a track-mounted machine. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Hand Quilting – Small quilt

5390 9420 Open to Division 5320 entries **entirely quilted by hand** where the distance around the outside of the quilt is 200 inches or less. Must contain no machine quilting. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Hand Quilting – Large quilt

5390 9421 Open to Division 5320 entries entirely quilted by hand where the distance around the outside of the quilt exceeds 200 inches. Must contain no machine quilting. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Hand Appliquéd

5390 9422 Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that primarily feature hand appliquéd. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div Class Hand Piecing

5390 9423 Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size with quilt top being pieced by hand. This would include English Paper Piecing.

Div	Class	Machine Embroidery
5390	9425	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size where the embroidery is done by machine. Include the original competition class number in the description. <i>Requirement: 3"x5" card attached near the label providing the design source, any editing of design, stabilizers, kind of thread used.</i>

Div	Class	Hand Embroidery
5390	9426	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size where the embroidery is done by hand. Include the original competition class number in the description.

Div	Class	Patriotic Quilt
5390	9428	Open to Division 5320 and 5330, throw or bed size entries that feature a Patriotic theme and are predominantly red, white, and blue. Include the original competition class number in description.

Div	Class	Flying Geese
5390	9432	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that contain at least 12 or more flying geese blocks.

Div	Class	The Hexagon
5390	9433	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size featuring hexagon blocks.

The honeycomb or hexagon-pieced quilt is one of the oldest patterns in continual use with roots going back as far the 18th century. It's a highly versatile block that remains popular today with both traditional, contemporary, and modern style quilts.

Div	Class	Star
5390	9434	Open to Division 5320 or 5330 quilt with a visible star design on the front of the quilt. Include the original competition class number in the description. Star or stars are an integral part of the quilt top design.

Div	Class	Flora Quilt
5390	9437	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that features some form of plant life of any size constructed by one or more quilting techniques (i.e., pieced, appliquéd, embroidered, quilted or other methods). Include the original competition class number in the description. Plant Life must be constructed, not simply printed fabric.

Div	Class	Fauna Quilt
5390	9438	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that features some form of animal life of any size using one or more quilting techniques (i.e., pieced, appliquéd, embroidered, quilted or other methods). Include the original competition class number in the description. Animal Life must be constructed, not simply printed fabric.

Div	Class	Hand Dyed/Hand Painted Quilt
5390	9446	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries that use more than 50% hand-dyed and/or hand-painted fabrics in the top. <i>Dying and Painting are the work of the exhibitor.</i> Include the original competition class number in the description. <i>Requirement: Attach a 3"x5" card near the label listing colorants used and the % of color-modified fabrics of the total quilt</i>

Div	Class	Adaptation Quilt
5390	9452	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that are of any size. The entries are not required to be original designs for this contest. Include the original competition class number in the description.

A Quilt in this class is an adaptation of historical quilt elements (blocks, applique, and whole cloth) but take an original and unique approach to these elements of the past. They may be either functional or non-functional.

Div	Class	Improvisational Quilt
5390	9453	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size made with improvisational techniques. Quilt construction can include piecing, weaving, applique or other techniques but the quilt cannot start with either a self-drafted pattern or another person's pattern. It may but does not have to be a quilt of the Modern Style. Include the original completion class number in the description.

Improvisational quilts are those that break the traditional rules of quilting and grow without a formalized plan or pattern.

Div	Class	Modern Quilt
5390	9454	Open to Division 5320 and 5330 entries of any size that are of a Modern Quilt-style. Include the original competition class number in the description. <i>Modern quilts designs are typically asymmetrical and simplistic using high contrast bold colors and prints with gray or white as neutrals. They often utilize improvisational piecing, expansive negative space, non-traditional block settings and alternate grid work. They are more commonly functional than decorative quilts but may be either.</i>

DIVISION 5391 ~ Best in County Contest

Division 5391 contains only one class: “**The Best in County Contest**”. This is a competition between the entries of quilts that took the top honor at the various Nebraska county fairs. Note that this is also the only class in the Quilt Department in which the quilt entered must have competed in a county fair prior to the NSF.

To qualify for the “Best in County” contest:

1. The entry must be the quilt receiving the top award at the local county fair, plus the quiltmaker must be a resident of the county submitting the entry.
2. The quilt must be entered in one of the **Division 5320 or 5330 Competition Classes** in the 2023 NSF Quilt Department and must comply with all the NSF Quilt Department Rules including completion within the last three years. Also, quilted items such as table runners, placemats, quilted garments, 3-D items, and quilted items requiring special handling are in the Textile Arts Department rather than the Quilt Department.

How the contest works:

The nationally certified quilt judge initially judges all entries in the regular Division 5320 or 5330 classes. That includes quilts that also qualify to compete in the Best in County Contest. After judging is completed for Divisions 5320 and 5330, the quilts entered in the Best in County contest are assembled together and the certified judge then selects the top five quilts in this contest.

All quilts entered in the Best in County contest are hung for exhibition in Quilt Hall with other quilts of similar size. However, all Best in County entries are noted with (1) signage acknowledging them as the top county winner in their respective county fair and (2) with a distinctive Best in County ribbon. Those receiving 1st through 5th place in the contest also receive a special rosette in addition to the designated cash award. Premiums are listed on page 4 of this entry book.

To enter the “Best in County” contest:

1. Complete the Division 5391- [Best in County Quilt Verification Form](#), which is found online or by contacting the NSF office (308-382-1620). This requires the signature of your county fair official. A copy of this Verification form should be mailed to Terri Uden, NSF Quilts, 48 North Shore DR8, Johnson Lake, NE 68937 by August 8th. (If the form will not reach Terri by August 8th, email the form to terriud@atcjet.net or call Terri with the information at 308-325-3017.)
2. Attach a COPY of the Verification Form to the quilt prior to delivering the exhibit to the fair.

If there is a delay in obtaining the Verification Form from your county fair official making this impossible, contact Terri Uden: NSF Quilt Superintendent, phone 308-325-3017, email: terriud@atcjet.net

Note that the quilt must be entered in either a Division 5320 or 5330 class in the NSF Quilt Department by entry deadline of Aug 8th, and can be entered online, but the Best in County Verification Form does not need to be in place and on the quilt until the receiving deadline, which is Aug 17th, 3 p.m.

In the event that your county fair is held during or after the NSF or if the quilt entry was not entered in the NSF Quilt Department prior to the NSF entry deadline of Aug 8th, the county winner will be eligible for recognition in the Best of

County Quilt Division 5391 the following year provided that the entry still meets the requirement of completion within the last three years. Also, for joint county fairs, each county may have one entry in the Best in County Division 5391.

Delivery of Exhibit – Deadline is 3 pm Thu, Aug 17th, to the Quilt Hall in the Pinnacle Bank Expo Center.

Note that the receiving date is the same as all other quilt entries in the 2023 Quilt Department. However, the extension staff can pick up the exhibit at the end of the fair.

Exhibit may be delivered by:

- The exhibitor / another person during Quilt receiving times Wed, Aug 16th, 3 to 8 pm, Thu, Aug 17th, 8 am to 3 pm.
- Sending by mail or a delivery service with arrival not later than 3 pm on Aug 17th. See [Shipping Options](#).

Return of Exhibit – No early release

Exhibits may be picked up on Mon, Sept 4th, 6-8 pm or Tue, Sept 5th, 8 am to noon by exhibitor, another person or extension staff. Also, see [Shipping Options](#) for other options for return.

Exhibits not picked up during above designated times or with no prepaid label for return shipment must be picked up from the NSF office by end of business day to Fri, Oct 27th, 2023. After that they will be donated to charity

Drop-Off and Pick-Up Sites

For Non-Perishable Exhibits

Package each department exhibits separately.

If for example you enter in textile arts and photography, these are different Departments, package separately, with a copy of your entry form taped on the top of package.

We will not accept any exhibits that are not packaged. We will return your exhibits in the same packaging that you drop it off in. We prefer your exhibits to be packaged in some type of box to make transportation easier and safer for your exhibits.

All drop-off's will be Sunday, August 13th, 2023

Omaha 10 am to 12 noon, at the Douglas /Sarpy Ext. 8015 West Center Rd, Omaha, NE 68124 (parking lot)

Seward 3 pm to 5 pm, at the Seward County Ext. 322 S. 14th St, Seward, NE 68434 (parking lot)

North Platte 10am to 12 noon, at the Lincoln/Logan/McPerson County Ext. 348 West State Farm Rd North Platte, NE 69101 (parking lot)

****Nebraska State Fair personnel will leave at the designated departure time****

All returns will be Sunday, September 10th, 2023

Same Locations, Same Times as listed above.

Exhibits not issued back to exhibitor on return date, will be available at the Grand Island Nebraska State Fair office, and must be picked-up by Oct 27th, by end of the business day or the item will be donated. Call 308-382-1620 with questions.